

HOUSEHOLD BATTERIES

Collection bins for your recyclable batteries are located at Borough Hall and the D.P.W. No automobile or large batteries are allowed. Alkaline batteries are not considered hazardous waste. They no longer contain mercury and therefore are safe to throw away in household trash. Rechargeable batteries (nickel cadmium, small sealed lead acid, lithium ion, nickel metal hydride, silver oxide, and lithium button cell) still need to be recycled properly. The label on the battery will indicate if it is rechargeable. These batteries can be found in cordless power tools, cellular and cordless phones, laptop computers, digital cameras, two-way radios, camcorders, remote control toys, etc. **New regulations require placing each battery in a separate plastic “baggie” or taping the terminal end of the battery to prevent a short circuit. Plastic bags will be available at the two drop off locations on top of the battery recycling box. Residents must individually bag each battery or tape each terminal end prior to recycling.**

HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCES AND OTHER METALS

Appliances and other Metals are collected at curbside on the first Thursday of every month. This includes household appliances such as washers, dryers, refrigerators, stoves, air conditioners, hot water heaters, as well as metal shelving, barbeque grills, metal furniture, etc. Riding lawn mowers or other very heavy items are not permitted. Please empty all gas from any push mowers. Call the D.P.W. before the pickup day at 201-337-8104/8103 between 8:30am-4:00pm Monday-Friday if you are putting out a refrigerator or air conditioner.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Textile/clothing bins are located behind Borough Hall. All types of clean, dry textiles are accepted: baby clothes, pants, shirts, jackets, sweaters, shoes, dresses, sheets, blankets, curtains, towels, belts, and small stuffed animals, etc. No board games or toys with small pieces. Please do not leave anything outside of the bins.

Hazardous Waste: For collection dates, locations, directions or questions, please call the Bergen County Hazardous Waste Hotline at 201-807-5825, or go online at www.bcua.org. This program is free of charge to Bergen County residents. Proof of residency is required. Businesses must pre-register prior to attending collection events, and a disposal fee will be charged and collected.

Tree removal permit: Call the Oakland Shade Tree Commission at 201-337-3512. They will come out to your property and look at the tree or trees before you can be issued a permit.

RECYCLING, GARBAGE & LITTER ORDINANCES

To avoid being missed, please place your containers out to the curb **before 6:00am** on the day of collection or the night before. It is unlawful to place garbage, yard waste or recyclables at curbside earlier than 6:00pm prior to the day of collection. All barrels must be removed from curbside no later than 9:00pm on the day of collection. Sweeping or depositing any accumulated litter or waste into any gutter, street or catch basin is not permitted. Clean up pet waste and dispose of it properly. Please do not litter. Recyclable material placed at the curb is Borough property. Notify the Oakland Police Department at 201-337-6171 if anyone other than our regular garbage company is removing recyclables from the curb or if you see any illegal dumping.

Any questions or concerns, please call the Department of Public Works at 201-337-8104/8103. You can also contact the Recycling Department at 201-405-7732 or e-mail any questions to recycle@oakland-nj.org. Our goal is to increase recycling awareness and compliance. Recyclable material must be separated from waste. This mandate applies to all commercial, institutional and residential sectors. Please help to improve the recycling rate in New Jersey. Oakland receives money for our recycling material. Go Green and recycle as much as possible.