



Carlisle Recycling & Transfer Station Regulations

The facility located on Lowell Street is only for the use of Carlisle residents for trash and recycling which originates in residences located in Carlisle due to normal household activity. The facility also accepts food scraps from Carlisle residents for composting. Use is restricted to passenger cars and privately owned vans, pickup trucks, and trailers with the required, current identification sticker permanently affixed to the front bumper (driver side) or displayed in an alternative manner acceptable to the DPW. No vehicle with a capacity greater than 5 cubic yards may dispose at the Transfer Station. Use by local private haulers is permitted if their service is limited to residents of Carlisle and they are in full compliance with the Carlisle Department of Public Works (DPW) policy entitled: Policy for use by Local Private Haulers (effective July 1, 2023)

Commercial use – No commercial disposal is permitted at the Transfer Station.

Hours of Operation

Tuesday and Thursday from 10am-7pm

Saturday from 8am-5pm

Transfer Station Identification Sticker

All passenger cars, vans, trucks, and trailers must have an identification sticker affixed to the vehicle's front bumper (driver side) or displayed in an alternative manner acceptable to the DPW. The vehicle's registration information is required as proof of Carlisle residency when purchasing sticker(s). Residents may purchase stickers online or in-person as determined by Select Board policy. A resident may purchase up to 2 stickers and each sticker is to be affixed to the appropriate vehicle.

The Select Board of the Town of Carlisle will set the cost of the fee for the identification sticker for passenger cars, vans, trucks, and trailers. If lost or destroyed, a new sticker may be purchased at the original cost. There are different fees for the first and second sticker.

All local commercial haulers are required to have each of their customers purchase a sticker, and the hauler is responsible for having up to date records of such sticker purchases on file at the Carlisle Town Offices.

Recycling and Trash Containers

Users may only deposit trash and recyclables in the designated containers for such purposes. Users should only deposit food scraps for composting in the designated containers for composting purposes.

Massachusetts State Law prohibits recyclable items from being disposed of in household waste.

Restricted Materials

Only residential waste building materials resulting from small repairs or remodeling by Carlisle residents on their personal property is allowed to be disposed at the Transfer Station.

Building materials from construction by contractors must be disposed of at commercial sites, not at the Transfer Station.

Brush is accepted from December 1 to April 30. The Transfer Station does not accept yard waste for composting.

Prohibited Materials

Tree Stumps

Explosives

Firearms

Junk Cars

Boats

Bulky Masonry

Hazardous waste as defined by the Massachusetts Waste Management Act, except on designated hazardous waste collection days

Removal of Items from the Transfer Station

All items disposed of at the Transfer Station become the property of the Town of Carlisle and may not be removed with the following exceptions:

Items in the designated swap shop area

Redeemable containers in the designated bins

These additional items may be taken from the DPW yard behind the Transfer Station by residents of Carlisle:

Wood chips

Sand in small quantities for residential use

Concrete items in the concrete pile

Enforcement

The requirement for a properly affixed sticker to be on a vehicle entering the Transfer Station for the purpose of disposal of waste or recycling will be strictly enforced and applied equally to all residents. A new sticker is required at the beginning of each calendar year. It is expected that all Transfer Station users will cooperate with this requirement.

Enforcement of these regulations will be the responsibility of the Department of Public Works with the assistance of the Carlisle Police Department.

Provision for vehicles temporarily out of service

Residents whose stickered vehicle is temporarily out of service may request from Town Hall staff the issuance of a temporary placard usable for 30 days which may be placed in the alternate vehicle, visible to the Transfer Station attendant, while the stickered vehicle is unavailable. These placards should be returned to the Transfer Station on expiration.

Provision for those with Disabilities

Recognizing that some residents may not be able to bring their own trash and recycling to the Transfer Station and at the discretion of the designated Town Hall staff, a sticker may be issued to a non-resident caretaker for the explicit use of disposing of the trash and recycling of one identified resident. An application must be submitted to the designated Town Hall staff, signed by both the resident needing such service and the individual to whom the sticker will be provided. This application will require the resident to attest that disposal will be limited to the resident's waste only and that the sticker user is their caretaker and that any violation will result in loss of this sticker.

Provision for other financial hardship

Residents with financial hardship may request that the sticker fee be waived. Such requests would be made to designated Town Hall staff.

Provision for other special circumstances

Residents may request issuance of a sticker and/or placard for other special circumstances. Such requests would be made to designated Town Hall staff; one example could be a request to purchase additional stickers for vehicles used by other individuals living in the same residence when 2 stickers have already been issued.

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