



Help Is Available

Each municipality in Ulster County has a contact person to help with recycling. The Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency has staff to assist residents, businesses, institutions, owners or managers of multi-family dwellings, and haulers to implement the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Law. The Agency also offers waste audits, school tours of our facilities and presentations to promote waste reduction, recycling and composting.



Love to Recycle!

Yard Waste

In addition, yard waste (leaves, grass, brush) must also be separated and kept out of landfills. Yard waste may either be managed on site or brought to a Municipal Recycling Drop-off Center that accepts yard waste.

Important Note:

All waste haulers who provide solid waste collections are required to provide recycling services for both their residential and commercial customers.

Enforcement:

The Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency has the authority to enforce the law and can seek either civil or criminal penalties for violations. An Independent Hearing Officer will be appointed to hear civil cases.

Civil penalties include fines up to \$1000 per violation and/or loss of privileges for the collection or disposal of solid waste. More serious criminal penalties could include up to five days imprisonment.

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ULSTER COUNTY

Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Law



**For more recycling
information, visit
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Where Will These Materials be Recycled?

Each municipality in Ulster County has a Municipal Recycling Drop-Off Center where less than two (2) cubic yards of recyclable material can be brought by residents or smaller businesses. Businesses, institutions and waste haulers with more than two cubic yards, may bring their recyclables to the UCRRRA Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) located in the town of Ulster on Route 32 near the intersection of Route 199/209.

The MRF is a complex of sorting mechanisms that separate the recyclables by material. Then large bales of sorted recycling are sold to manufacturers to make new products. It is important to remember that your recycled materials will be used to make new products. Too much time spent handpicking contaminants out of the material stream or unclogging machinery increases our expense and decreases our ability to effectively separate valuable materials and increase operating performance. Quality matters and the better you do following the guidelines, the more efficient the sorting process will be.

Who is required to recycle?

EVERYONE!

The Ulster County Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Law was passed in December of 1991. It applies to every business, every household, every institution, every school and every government agency.

What items do I have to recycle?

Everyone is required to recycle the following items: glass food and beverage containers, metal food and beverage containers, newspapers, corrugated cardboard, plastic bottles,



jugs and tubs with resin number on the bottom of the container, office and computer paper.

Currently in Ulster County, magazines, catalogs and junk mail are also being recycled. Please visit our website at www.ucrra.org or call the recycling hotline at (845) 336-3336 for more recycling information.

What if I live in an apartment

building or condo or if I run a small business? How do I get recycling services?

Apartment building owners, condo associations and businesses should contract directly with a hauler to provide both trash and recycling collection. Ulster County requires “source separation”, meaning that recyclables must be separated from trash at the place where it is generated. Haulers are not allowed to separate recyclables mixed with trash after pickup. You can also take recyclables to your local Municipal Recycling Center. To contact a commercial sanitation company look under “garbage removal” in the yellow pages.

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