



# May 22, 2017

## Summer Recycling Newsletter

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### Colebrookdale Township Residential Yard Waste Drop-Off Location

The Township has an agreement with Hopewell Excavating at 172 Fancy Hill Road where COLEBROOKDALE TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS ONLY can drop-off their YARD waste throughout the year. NO CONTRACTORS! Hours of operation are:

Winter Hours: November through March, 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Summer Hours: April through October, 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Hopewell Excavating is located just off of Rte. 562. Turn left onto Fancy Hill Road and follow the road approximately 1 mile. The facility will be on your right. Drop-off your items in the area marked for Colebrookdale. Items ACCEPTABLE for drop-off: branches, grass clippings, wood chips, typical yard waste, small stumps, clean lumber. UNACCEPTABLE items include: PRESSURE TREATED LUMBER, PAINTED OR VARNISHED LUMBER, RAILROAD TIES OR TELEPHONE POLES, PLASTIC OR TRASH OF ANY KIND, ROCKS, SOIL, OR EDGINGS MIXED IN WITH THE WOOD. Unacceptable items will be treated as littering and prosecuted as such. Thank you for respecting the drop-off rules of acceptable yard waste items.

Colebrookdale Township has a spring and fall yard waste and leaf collection program. The dates are listed in the Recycling Pick-Up Dates calendar section of the newsletters. The road crew staff will rotate throughout the Township periodically ONLY to maintain clear storm water catch basins and pipes. They DO NOT sweep up your leaves! Please refrain from depositing any yard waste and leaves along the curbing or streets.

### Berks County Recycling Drop-Off Program

<http://www.co.berks.pa.us/swa/site/default.asp>

Berks County Solid Waste Authority (SWA) website offers many links to help you with your recycling efforts including numerous drop-off site locations, composting information, hauling companies and 'how-to' articles. They have details on scheduled dates and places for drop-off of hazardous waste, electronics, tires and many other items. Feel free to contact them at any time for further information. They are located at 633 Court St., 14th Floor, Reading, Pa. 19601. 610-478-6362

### Pennsylvania's Recycling Page

<http://www.dep.pa.gov/Citizens/RecyclingDisposal/Pages/default.aspx#.VxTnnHqE1b0>

### Earth 911

<http://earth911.com/>

Earth911 is a privately owned, for-profit company that specialized in providing consumers with accessible and actionable recycling information across the county.

### HELPFUL RECYCLING WEB LINKS

<https://www.wristco.com/wristband-articles/advice-on-recycling>

### RECYCLING HOTLINE: 610-367-8437

Please place recycling bins at the curb; the Township recycling contractor, Republic Services will not go onto private property. Should the recycling crew inadvertently miss picking up your recycling, please dial the hotline number the **following day AFTER** your scheduled pick-up day. The fee for recycling is included in your real estate tax bill. A senior citizen discount is available to residents who are 65 years of age or older. If you have any questions or your bins are lost, stolen or broken beyond usability, please contact the Township by calling the recycling hotline.

## 2017 Recycling Pick Up Dates

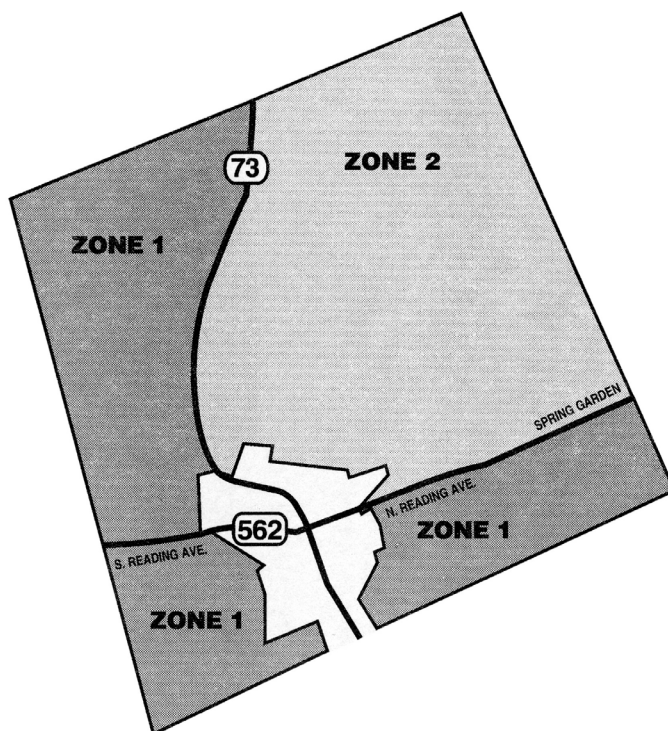
### REUSE - REDUCE - RECYCLE

SPRING YARD WASTE  
CLEAN-UP COLLECTION DAYS  
- Saturdays May 7th & 14th, 2016

FALL LEAF & YARD WASTE  
CLEAN-UP DAYS

- Saturday, November 19th, 2016  
- Saturday, November 26th, 2016  
*\*Leaf burning is NOT PERMITTED  
in Colebrookdale Township\**

TREES FROM CHRISTMAS 2017  
WILL BE PICKED UP  
- Saturdays, January 6th & 13th, 2018



#### ZONE 1

1/3/2017\*\*  
1/16/2017  
1/30/2017  
2/13/2017  
2/27/2017  
3/13/2017  
3/27/2017  
4/10/2017  
4/24/2017  
5/8/2017  
5/22/2017  
6/5/2017  
6/19/2017  
7/3/2017  
7/17/2017  
7/31/2017  
8/14/2017  
8/28/2017  
9/11/2017  
9/25/2017  
10/9/2017  
10/23/2017  
11/6/2017  
11/20/2017  
12/4/2017  
12/18/2017

\*\* Tuesday pickup  
due to Monday Holiday

#### ZONE 2

1/9/2017  
1/23/2017  
2/6/2017  
2/20/2017  
3/6/2017  
3/20/2017  
4/3/2017  
4/17/2017  
5/1/2017  
5/15/2017  
5/30/2017\*\*  
6/12/2017  
6/26/2017  
7/10/2017  
7/24/2017  
8/7/2017  
8/21/2017  
9/5/2017\*\*  
9/18/2017  
10/2/2017  
10/16/2017  
10/30/2017  
11/13/2017  
11/27/2017  
12/11/2017  
12/26/2017\*\*

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### Customers of Republic Services Inc. Enjoy All In One Recycling.

All of your recyclables can be placed together in the same bin! No sorting required!

#### The following can be placed in your curbside bin and mixed all-together:

- Aluminum food and beverage containers with food debris removed. Labels do not need to be removed.
- Glass food and beverage containers with lids and food debris removed: Clear, Brown Green. Labels do not have to be removed.
- Natural and pigmented plastic **narrow-neck** containers with symbols 1,2,3,4,5,6,7 (milk bottles, water bottles, detergent bottles, shampoo bottles, bleach bottles, etc). Lids and food debris removed. Labels do not have to be removed.
- Ferrous (Iron, steel, tin) cans with food debris removed.
- Newsprint – black and white or pigmented. Not bound or placed in bags.
- Construction paper, Kraft paper, cereal Boxes, shoe boxes, or similar.
- Printer paper, computer paper, copy paper.
- Junk Mail.
- Magazines, catalogs.
- **Corrugated cardboard: Any size cardboard, flattened and all packing material removed.**
- Phone books.

#### Short List of Materials Not Accepted:

- Wax coated paper or cardboard.
- Any material with food debris.
- Plastic Bags of any kind.
- Batteries of any kind.
- Styrofoam of any kind.
- Light bulbs.
- Mirrors, window or auto glass, porcelain, ceramics, glass cookware/bake ware, microwave oven trays, drinking glasses, perfume/cologne bottles.
- Wood or Yard Waste
- Unnumbered plastics.
- Coat hangers, Wire.
- Household items such as toasters, cookware, bake ware, electronics, appliances, etc.
- Hazardous or toxic substances.
- Items containing or having debris and residue containing hazardous or toxic substances such as paint cans with wet paint, motor oil containers, gasoline cans, glue, petroleum products, etc.

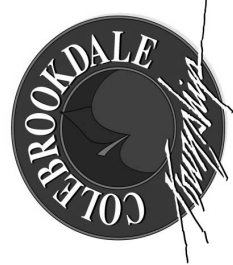


### SPRING AND SUMMER REMINDERS

**Township Ordinance #3-2011 requires the cutting of weeds within 50 feet of a lived-in structure to a height of 8" or less. Persons found in violation of this Ordinance are guilty of a civil offense carrying a fine of up to \$600.00 plus costs.**

The Township Dog Ordinance #1-2009 regulates and prohibits certain nuisances involving the ownership of dogs and prescribes remedies and penalties for the violation of this ordinance. Sections include Noise Disturbance, Animal Defecation and disposal of same on both private and public property. Violators are subject to fines of up to \$600.00 & imprisonment.

More Dog DO's: The PA Bureau of Dog Law Enforcement states that all dogs over 3 months of age must be licensed and under control at all times. This means that when your dog is not on your property, it must be reasonably controlled by you or a handler. Please visit this website, <http://www.licenseyourdogpa.gov> for more information and application



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## Stormwater Management News

Stormwater management is directly related to our water quality and water quality affects us all. Managing stormwater properly protects wildlife, maintains a healthy environment around us and ensures quality drinking water.

Colebrookdale Township operates Municipal Storm Sewer Systems (MS4). This underground system of pipes carries rainwater and snowmelt away from roads and parking lots and discharges the drainage water into lakes and rivers. Ideally, this system should transport mostly clean water. However, because rainwater and snowmelt from streets, lawns, farms, and construction sites mixes with lawn fertilizers, pesticides, oil, and other pollutants, the runoff becomes contaminated. Stormwater runoff is the most common cause of water pollution.

What can you do to help prevent storm water pollution? Foremost, **NEVER DUMP ANYTHING DOWN STORM DRAINS**

### In your yard:

- Use fertilizers sparingly and least toxic pesticides
- Compost your yard waste
- Do not wash grass clippings or leaves into the street
- Pick up after your pet. Untreated pet waste can cause significant water pollution.

### Automotive Care:

- Go to the car wash instead of washing your car in the street or driveway.
- Check your vehicle for drips and oil leaks regularly and fix them promptly
- Do not pour any engine fluids down floor drains, sinks, storm drains or onto the ground. Collect all used fluids in containers and take to auto supply stores or car care centers.

### POLLUTION HOTLINE:

If you see any type of Illicit Discharge incident that may impact a storm sewer system, such as an oil spill or other contaminant that may lead to a storm drain, please complete the reporting form found on our website at [http://colebrookdale.org/Stormwater\\_Education/](http://colebrookdale.org/Stormwater_Education/) or contact the Colebrookdale Township Office at 610-369-1362.

Other websites with important Stormwater Management information:

- <http://water.epa.gov/pol-waste/npdes/stormwater>
- <http://www.co.berks.pa.us/Dept/Planning/Pages/MS4%20NPDES>
- <http://www.dep.pa.gov>
- <https://www.epa.gov/soakuptherain>

### PA DEP

The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PA DEP) is a source for information on how to handle stormwater and protect our properties. Their website is: <http://www.dep.pa.gov/Business/Water/CleanWater/StormwaterMgmt/Stormwater/Pages/default.aspx>. Report environmental emergencies (drinking water contamination, leaking drums, any type of ground or surface water pollution from spills or accidents, large fish kills, tampering with public drinking water supplies, waterborne illness toxic air pollution) to the PA DEP Emergency Response Team. There are 24 hour phone lines in each Region monitored 24/7/365 for dispatching response personnel within DEP purview. Our Southcentral Region is 866-825-0208.

### The Perkiomen Watershed Conservancy & its Mission

The Perkiomen Watershed Conservancy was established in 1964 to combat increasingly poor water quality throughout the Perkiomen Creek watershed. Please visit their website, <http://www.perkiomenwatershed.org/> for maps of the Perkiomen Creek watershed & information concerning their Stormwater Management MS4 Partnership is found on this page: <http://www.perkiomenwatershed.org/stormwater-management/>.

Additional watershed information: <http://www.berksnature.org/insideourwatersheds/>.



## CODE ENFORCEMENT DEPARTMENT

ITL Consultants, LTD of Oley PA serve the Township with the responsibilities of residential building/zoning permits and inspections. Paul E. Labe III, the Township's Code Enforcement Officer is available at the Colebrookdale Township office Mondays between 2:00 and 4:00 pm. He is available anytime by phone at 610-987-9290 or email: [plabe@itlconsultants.com](mailto:plabe@itlconsultants.com).

The building and zoning applications are available at the Township offices or can be downloaded from the Township website

## PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

During the summer months a number of road projects will begin on Township roads. Expect delays as contractors and the road crew work on paving and patch and repair work for road improvements. Your patience when encountering delays on these roads is appreciated. Please contact the Township Road Master at 610-369-1220 to report potholes or road damage.

## LANDLORD PROPERTY OWNERS

Ordinance #10-92 requires that every owner of a rental dwelling be responsible to Colebrookdale Township to certify a list of all tenants on or before September 1 of each calendar year. Every owner of a rental unit or units who fails to submit the required list shall, upon conviction in a summary proceeding, be liable to a fine of \$100.00 for each offense and in default thereof, imprisonment not exceeding 30 days.

If you need tenant forms, contact the Township office. Failure to receive tenant forms from the Township shall not relieve or excuse compliance with Ordinance #10-92, and penalties may be imposed for your failure to obtain and file the tenant list forms.

## In Case Of Emergency

If you live in Colebrookdale Township and have any special need, the Township should be made aware of it due to our involvement with the Limerick Power Station. Please complete this Special Needs Questionnaire. This information is confidential and will be used for emergency purposes only. Emergency Management Personnel will contact you in the event of an emergency. Any questions regarding this form, please call the Township Office at 610-369-1362.

Indicate below how many people in your household have the following problems?

Number of People

1. Hearing Problems: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a TTY/TDD Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

2. Vision Problems: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Cannot Walk: \_\_\_\_\_

List aids: cane, walker, wheelchair, etc. \_\_\_\_\_

4. List Other Special Needs: \_\_\_\_\_

5. Need a special vehicle to leave home (wheelchair van, etc.) please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Need a Ride (transportation not available, cannot ride with a friend, family member or neighbor). Number needing a ride: \_\_\_\_\_

7. If you have identified any need on this form, please complete and return this form.

Please print:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/Town: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Any other information you would like to share to aid us in assisting you in the event of an actual emergency: \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail or deliver a completed copy of this form to: Emergency Management Coordinator, Colebrookdale Township, 765 W. Philadelphia Avenue, Boyertown, PA 19512.