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Ridgewood, NJ 07450



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things **GREEN!**

Recycling Area 1  
Yard Waste Area A

## RIDGEWOOD GREEN GUIDE 2026



### Recycling & Yard Waste Collection SCHEDULES Enclosed

Ridgewood



Recycling

*Recycle Right*

# Recycling Pickup Schedules

Recycling Area 1  
Yard Waste Area A

Follow the schedules below for curbside pickup.

Please put your recycling curbside after 5:00 PM the day before pickup or before 6:00 AM on pickup day. After collections, remove empty barrels and crates from the curb by midnight.

During leaf season, do not place barrels in the street.

MONDAY

Bottles & Cans • Newsprint • Corrugated • Mixed Papers						
Jan	12	26	Jul	13	27	
Feb	9	23	Aug	10	24	
Mar	9	23	Sep	8	21	
Apr	6	20	Oct	5	19	
May	4	18	Nov	2	16	30
Jun	1	15	29	Dec	14	28

Pickups that do not fall on Monday are circled.

WEDNESDAY

Appliances • Tires • Metals • Automobile Batteries					
Jan	7	28	Jul	15	29
Feb	25		Aug	12	26
Mar	11	25	Sep	16	30
Apr	15	29	Oct	21	
May	13		Nov	4	
Jun	3	24	Dec	2	16

MONDAY

Vegetative Waste					
Apr	6	13	20	27	
May	4	11	18	26	
Jun	1	8	15	22	29
Jul	6	13	20	27	
Aug	3	10	17	24	31
Sep	8	14	21	28	
Oct	5				

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## CONFIDENTIAL DOCUMENT | SHRED DAY

FREE to all Ridgewood residents

Saturday, April 11

8 AM - NOON or until truck is full  
Graydon Pool Rain or Shine



**NO**  
Binders • Carbon Paper  
Plastics • Photos  
Non-paper Items  
Overnight Shipping Envelopes

# RECYCLE AT THE CENTER

## Foam Packaging

We densify clean foam from TVs, PCs, appliances, coolers, etc. and sell it to a NJ manufacturer that transforms it into trim, mouldings, and more!



**NO**

- Colored Foam
- Foam Peanuts
- Food Packaging
- Foam w/Tape or Labels (please remove tape and labels before drop-off)

## Mattresses

- Must Be Bagged and Dry
- Any Size/Type
- Boxsprings Accepted
- Drop Off ONLY
- No Contamination



## FOOD SCRAPS: Did You Know?



Participants of our food scrap recycling DROPOFF program get a start-up kit and access to the mobile app controlled collection container at the train station.



Apply Now:

[ridgewoodnj.net](http://ridgewoodnj.net)>Departments>Recycling>FoodScrapRecyclingDropoff or scan the code.

## RIDGEWOOD RECYCLING CENTER

Located:

203 East Glen Ave.

Day/Time

Monday - Saturday  
(closed Wednesday)

8:00 AM - 3:00 PM

**NO GARBAGE ACCEPTED**

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The recycling center operates as a drive-thru/drop-off and we accept almost everything mentioned in this brochure, except for the items that contain other handling instructions. Please have materials properly separated, in the trunk of your vehicle, and follow instructions from our attendant. To dispose of yard waste at the recycling center please have proof of residency. Any plastic bags of vegetative waste brought to the recycling center must be opened and emptied into the truck by residents. Garbage is never accepted at the recycling center. Thank you, and we look forward to welcoming you soon!

[www.ridgewoodnj.net](http://www.ridgewoodnj.net)

# The RECYCLING Barrel

## Commingled Cans & Bottles



Empty • Rinse • Keep items loose (do not bag)



Plastic Jugs



Plastic Dairy Tubs/Lids



Plastic Bottles & Jars



Cartons  
(e.g., soup, juice, milk, broth, wine, beans)



Glass Bottles & Jars



Metal Cans, Aluminum Foil, Small Metal Food Trays, Metal Lids (over 2")

# NO

- Foam from egg crates, trays, or packaging
- Plastic from bakery, produce, deli, food trays, cups, or utensils
- Cushioning/insulation from produce or grocery delivery boxes



### Clean, Dry, & Stacked

Wind & rain are problems for recyclables. You can help by putting items out early on collection morning or by taking them to the center. **Never** use the recycling barrel for paper & cardboard.



## Paper & Cardboard

Tie or neatly stack cardboard • Place next to barrel  
Put paper in Village crate, paper bag, or cardboard box

### Paper & Cardboard

- Cardboard boxes & paper bags
- Mail, envelopes, office & writing paper
- Newsprint
- Magazines & catalogs



### Remember:

Papers can be mixed with cardboard at the curbside, but must still be separated from cardboard at the recycling center.

# NO

- Plastic bags
- Foam (see pg 6)
- Hardcover books (see pg 4)



# On Curbside Bulk Days

Keep these items separate from bulk trash

## Recycle Appliances, Automobile Batteries, Metal Objects & Tires



### Remember:

- Remove refrigerator doors
- No large truck or heavy machinery tires
- Poles and pipes should not be longer than 4 feet
- Deliver gas-powered lawn equipment to the recycling center (drain oils and fluids first)



## Vegetative Yard Waste Pickup

Accepted at the recycling center • Curbside pickup available from **April 4-October 9** • Place items in a barrel or brown paper lawn/leaf bag

**RULES:** Place grass clippings and brush in a barrel (no larger than 32 gallons or heavier than 80 pounds), or in a paper biodegradable lawn/leaf bag. Branches (up to 3 feet in length and 2 inches in diameter-no logs) should be bundled and tied. Yard waste that includes dirt, rocks, wood chips and large root balls will not be collected. All items must be placed at the curb. No plastic bags or Village recycling barrels will be picked up.



**What about leaves?** Beginning on October 13, and in accordance with your designated area, please place loose leaves in the street at the curb line, and bagged leaves on the curb. You will receive a Leaf Flyer mailed to your home prior to the start of Leaf Season with instructions. Branches, twigs, brush, grass, pumpkins, hay bales, corn stalks or any other Yard Waste will not be collected during Leaf Season. Only leaves will be collected during Leaf Season. Please call 201-670-5585 with any questions regarding Yard Waste or Leaf Season.

# NO

- Plastic bags
- Recycling barrels



# WHAT DO I DO WITH?

## ITEM

## DISPOSAL LOCATION

<b>Books for donation</b>	Recycling center In good condition with an ISBN barcode on the cover. (No water-damaged books, encyclopedias, or magazines)
<b>Clothing/textiles</b>	Recycling center
<b>Concrete</b>	Recycling center Limit: One 32 gallon barrel of material. (No contractors, no asphalt, no colored concrete, no red brick, no ceramics)
<b>E-Waste (TVs, PCs, etc)</b>	Recycling center
<b>Foam packaging</b>	Recycling center (see pg 6)
<b>Hardcover books (that cannot be donated)</b>	Remove & discard covers. Package interior pages with papers for recycling.
<b>Household batteries</b>	Throw alkaline batteries away. Give button cell and dry-cell rechargeable batteries weighing up to 11 lbs. (and 300 Wh for Li-ion) to the recycling center attendant. Tape the terminal ends with non-conductive tape.
<b>Inkjet &amp; laser cartridges</b>	Recycling center attendant
<b>Mattresses</b>	Recycling center (Must be bagged)
<b>Vegetable oil</b>	Recycling center (Only canola, corn, cottonseed, grapeseed, olive, palm, peanut, safflower, sesame, soybean, sunflower & vegetable)

## CAN WE HELP?

Vegetative Yard Waste.....	201.670.5585
Recycling .....	201.670.3373
Recycling Program Aide.....	201.670.5500 x4266
	jluttrell@ridgewoodnj.net
Recycling Assistance for Residents with Disabilities .....	201.670.3373



*Lids, barrels and crates are available at the recycling center.*

## Bergen County's HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DISPOSAL DAYS

<b>D A T E S</b>	March 7	April 19
	May 16	June 7
	July 18	September 19
	October 18	November 14

Take **fluorescent bulbs, motor oil, antifreeze & more** to Bergen County's Household Hazardous Waste Disposal Days.



Hotline 201.807.5825

**PLEASE VISIT [BCUA.ORG](http://BCUA.ORG) FOR LOCATIONS AND DETAILS.**