

TOWN OF WOODBURY TRASH REDUCTION PILOT PROGRAM

Starts February 7



**WOODBURY HAS A SUSTAINABLE,
COST-EFFECTIVE SOLUTION TO
CONNECTICUT'S WASTE CRISIS...
AND WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

A NOTE FROM THE FIRST SELECTMAN

As Connecticut's trash piles up, we are quickly running out of residential landfill space. Our disposal costs are rising as communities must ship waste out of state.

Woodbury has been awarded a grant from the CT Department of Energy & Environmental Protection (DEEP) to run a year-long Trash Reduction Pilot Program.

We have to do something to address the waste crisis and get ahead of rising costs, so I am asking residents using the Transfer Station to participate in this FREE pilot program.

Your participation and feedback will help us decide if we want to make it permanent. Thank you for giving it a try.

-FIRST SELECTMAN PERKINSON



**DROP OFF ALL BAGS AT
THE TRANSFER
STATION.**

**PICK UP YOUR BOX AT THE
TRANSFER STATION.
USE THE COLOR-CODED
TRASH & FOOD SCRAP BAGS.**

Green Bags for Food Scraps.
Orange Bags for Trash.
Keep Recycling.



**YOUR FOOD SCRAPS
WILL BE TURNED INTO
CLEAN ENERGY AT AN
INDUSTRIAL COMPOSTER!**



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HOW-TO:

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Q: WHAT'S IN THE BOX?

A year's supply of free bags: **104 Orange Trash Bags** & **52 Green Food Scraps Bags!** As you reduce your trash, this should be enough bags. Local stores will sell them, too.



Q: WHAT GOES IN THE GREEN BAG?

Food Scraps: Fruits & vegetables, meat & seafood (including bones), eggs & eggshells, leftovers & spoiled food, coffee grounds & tea bags, pastas, bread, grains, & napkins.
Please do NOT include plastic bags, pet waste or litter, sanitary items, or metal.



Q: WHAT GOES IN THE ORANGE BAG?

Trash: Anything that doesn't go in the Green Food Scraps Bag and can't be recycled.



Q: WHAT DO I DO WITH MY BAGS?

At the **same** transfer station. There will be an area for the green bags.



Q: WHY CAN'T I USE MY NORMAL TRASH BAGS?

We are asking you to **use ONLY the special heavy-duty Orange Trash Bags**. The color-coding allows for **sorting**. We are also building the habit of using special town trash bags that help "measure" each household's trash.



Q: DO I STILL RECYCLE?

YES! Continue to recycle your paper, plastic (no bags!), cans, and bottles. Go to RecycleCT.com with questions.



Q: DO I NEED TO PUT ANOTHER GARBAGE CAN IN MY KITCHEN?

Do what works best for your household! You could get (or repurpose) a small container with a lid to hold the Green Food Scraps Bag, or you could keep the Green Bag loosely tied in your trash can and empty food scraps into it throughout the week. You can also request a countertop food scraps bin from the town.

Q: IS THIS ACTUALLY GOING TO WORK?

- Turning all of our food waste into **clean energy** makes a huge difference. The program also introduces the idea of moving the cost to dispose of trash **OUT** of your taxes and **INTO** the bags. **The less trash you make, the less you would pay.** With these tools, you **can** reduce your trash and save money.
- You may be trying this for the first time, but cities all over the U.S. (and the world!) have **successfully** piloted similar trash reduction programs. **Woodbury will succeed with your participation!**