



# BOROUGH OF FRANKLIN LAKES 2020 SOLID WASTE & RECYCLING

## RECYCLE RIGHT

It may seem like such a small detail – each day you make so many decisions – but every time you choose to recycle, you are giving a recyclable a second life to serve a new purpose, and save more natural resources. Now more than ever, it’s vital to make sure the right items are making their way into your recycling bin.

Please make sure that your recycling is:

- Clean and dry
- Does not contain plastic bags or Styrofoam
- Is not placed in a plastic bag

Please take a moment to read this Newsletter to find ways to increase the amount of material that you recycle.

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Check out the latest tool for keeping up to date with recycling schedules and information. Visit [www.franklinlakes.org/RecycleCoach](http://www.franklinlakes.org/RecycleCoach) for additional information. You can also download the app onto your phone.

## SOLID WASTE

Gaeta Recycling Co., Inc. - (973) 278-6625, Ext. 34

## SCHEDULE

April through September - Twice a Week

October through March - Once a Week

Garbage is collected twice a week from April through September, either on a Monday/Thursday or Tuesday/Friday schedule. From October through March, garbage is collected once per week, either on Monday or Tuesday, depending on your normal schedule.

## GOOD GARBAGE HABITS

All garbage and recycling containers need to be thoroughly drained of water prior to pick up. If you live in areas where black bears have been sighted, secure your trash containers and place them curbside as close to pick-up time as possible (if feasible, on the morning that garbage and recycling is scheduled for collection but not later than 6:00 AM) and wash or spray trash cans with a disinfectant to eliminate food odors.

## INSTRUCTIONS

Garbage should be placed in garbage cans, containers or plastic bags with a maximum of 4 receptacles. Each container should weigh no more than 50 pounds. Garbage should be placed at the curb no earlier than 3:00 PM the evening before the collection day or no later than 6:00 AM the morning of the collection. All empty cans and containers must be removed by 7:00 PM on collection day. A schedule by streets can be found on our website at [www.franklinlakes.org](http://www.franklinlakes.org).

- **Household furniture** - No more than one item at the curb per collection.
- **Carpeting** - Should be cut into 4x4 squares, bundled with twine and placed with regular garbage.
- **Construction Materials** - Will not be picked up as regular garbage.
- **Excessive Amounts of Garbage** - Please contact Gaeta at (973) 278-6625, Ext. 34 if you do not want to separate garbage into multiple collections. There may be an additional charge.

# CURBSIDE RECYCLING

## PAPER AND COMMINGLED RECYCLING

Gaeta Recycling Co., Inc. - (973) 278-6625, Ext. 34

### SCHEDULE

Paper and commingled recyclables are collected curbside every Wednesday on a bi-weekly schedule alternating between commingled recyclables and paper products. Recycling should be placed at the curb no earlier than 3:00 PM the evening before the collection day or no later than 6:00 AM the morning of the collection. The recycling calendar is on the back cover. All empty cans and containers must be removed by 7:00 PM on collection day.

## KNOW THE RULES > < RECYCLE RIGHT

### PAPER INSTRUCTIONS

#### Mixed Paper, Magazines and Cardboard

- Place all mixed paper loose in a container, trash can or paper bag that weighs no more than 30 pounds.

#### What is Recyclable?

- Newspaper, magazines, inserts and catalogs.
- Junk mail and envelopes with or without windows.
- School paper and scrap paper.
- Paperback books and phone books.
- Cereal, cookie, cracker, rice, pasta and frozen food boxes.
- Tissue boxes, paper towel and toilet paper rolls.
- Shoe boxes, gift boxes and holiday cards.
- Wrapping paper (non-foil) and brown paper.
- Flattened corrugated brown shipping boxes.
- Any colored paper, department store bags or paper grocery bags.

### ITEMS NOT RECYCLED

- Place boxes with residue in regular garbage.
- Pizza boxes with oil stains.
- No used paper plates, paper cups or paper towels.
- No hardcover books.
- No Styrofoam, plastic bags, plastic shopping bags.
- No plastic knives, forks, spoons and dishes.
- No ceramic, pottery, crystal, cups, plates or glasses.
- No windows, plate glass, mirror glass or light bulbs.
- No meat trays.
- Do not recycle automotive use containers such as anti-freeze jugs or motor oil bottles. See page five for additional information on BCUA Hazardous Waste Recycling.

### COMMINGLED RECYCLABLES

#### INSTRUCTIONS

#### Glass, Metal and Plastic

- Containers must be clean and empty.
- Place containers in a trash can or larger container, not in paper or plastic bags.
- Recycling symbols with a 1, 2 or 5 are accepted.
- Flatten plastic containers to save space.

#### What is Recyclable?

- Glass bottles, jars and containers that are clean. All colors. Lids and caps off.
- Waxed paper cartons that contain liquid, milk, juice, sports drinks, broth, soup, juice boxes, empty and clean.
- Clear or colored plastic bottles.
- Household cleaning wipe and baby wipe containers, with a 1, 2 or 5 recycling symbol.
- Glass or plastic soda, water, milk, alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverage containers.
- Soap, shampoo, conditioner, detergent bottles from bathroom and laundry room.
- Tin, steel, bimetal and aluminum food containers that are clean like coffee cans, beverage cans, soup and pet food containers, and empty aerosol cans.
- Clean yogurt, mayonnaise, cheese, peanut butter, ketchup and mustard containers.
- Empty, clean cooking oil, butter and margarine containers in plastic or metal.



# CURBSIDE RECYCLING

## YARD WASTE

(April 1 through November 30)

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### SCHEDULE

Monday for residents with a Tuesday - Friday garbage schedule. Tuesday for residents with a Monday - Thursday garbage schedule. Place Yard Waste at the curb the night before a scheduled pick-up.

### Items Not Collected

The following items are not considered Yard Waste and will not be picked-up.

- NO ROCKS
- NO DIRT
- NO LEAVES
- NO TREES
- NO TREE STUMPS

### INSTRUCTIONS

#### **Vegetation, Plants, Flowers and Grass Clippings**

- Yard waste must be placed in brown recyclable bags or loose in a reusable sturdy container with no liner.
- Each brown bag or container cannot weigh over 50 pounds.
- A **maximum of 4 bags** can be placed out weekly.
- Yard waste in plastic bags, landscaping barrels or not in a container will not be collected.

#### **Tree Limb or Twig Collection**

- Tree limbs or twigs three inches or less in diameter need to be cut and tied into 3 ft. x 3 ft. bundles weighing no more than 50 pounds.
- Tree limbs or twigs not cut into sections and bundled will not be picked up.

## CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING

Christmas trees are collected curbside on designated dates during the month of January. Remove tinsel and ornaments and do not place trees in plastic bags.

### **2020 Christmas Tree Collections**

Thursday, January 9, 2020

Thursday, January 23, 2020

## METAL/APPLIANCE RECYCLING

Metal Recycling Hotline (201) 891-4000, Ext. 3011

Metal and appliance items will be picked up curbside on the first Friday of every month provided you call the Metal Recycling Hotline at (201) 891-4000, Ext. 3011, no later than 2:00 PM the day before to schedule a pickup. Leave a message with

your name, address, telephone number and the item to be collected. You will receive a phone call to confirm that you have been scheduled for a collection. Remove doors from refrigerators prior to placing curbside.

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|-------------------------|------------------------|--------------------|---|
| • Air Conditioners      | • Dryers               | • Metal Tables     | • Washing Machines                          |
| • Basketball Hoop       | • Filing Cabinets      | • Oven/Stove/Range | • Water Storage Tank                        |
| • Basketball Hoop Pole  | • Freezers             | • Pool Heater      | • Metal Exercise Equipment                  |
| • BBQ Grills - no tanks | • Garage Door Opener   | • Radiators        | • Lawn Mowers and Snow Blowers with no fuel |
| • Bed Frames            | • Gutters              | • Refrigerators    | • Tanning Beds - no bulbs                   |
| • Bicycles              | • Heaters              | • Metal Swing Sets | • No propane tanks                          |
| • Boilers               | • Hot Water Heaters    | • Tool Boxes       | • Remove cement from metal poles            |
| • Dishwashers           | • Metal Poles/Railings | • Trampoline Poles |   |
| • Dehumidifiers         | • Metal Shelving       | • Trash Compactors |   |

2020 Schedule	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
	3	7	6	3	1	5	10	7	4	2	6	4

# DPW DROP-OFF RECYCLING CENTER

## Franklin Lakes Recycling Center

500 DeKorte Drive

(201) 891-4333

### Hours of Operation

Monday thru Friday - 7:30 AM to 3:30 PM

Saturday - 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

## WHAT CAN BE LEFT AT THE RECYCLING CENTER?

The Recycling Center accepts Paper/Cardboard, Plastic/Metal/Glass (Commingled), Electronic Waste, Metal and Large Appliances, Rechargeable Batteries, Textiles, and Books. **NONE** of these items should be placed with regular garbage. When leaving items at the Recycling Center, please follow these instructions:

- **BREAK DOWN** and flatten all cardboard boxes—do not leave packing material in boxes.
- Take all items out of plastic bags. Recycle plastic bags at Stop & Shop.
- The Recycling Center **CANNOT** accept Styrofoam. Place Styrofoam in regular garbage.
- **Please do not place regular garbage in ANY of the recycling containers.**

## CLOTHING AND BOOK BINS



Residents can enable reuse of old clothes, shoes, pillows, cushions, small rugs, bedding, towels and other textiles by placing them in the textile bins. Hard and soft cover books can be placed in the book bins. The textile and book bins are located at the Recycling Center at 500 DeKorte Drive.

## LEAF COMPOST DROP-OFF

### FACILITY

Residents may bring their leaves to the Leaf Compost Drop-Off Facility located on DeKorte Drive, across the street from the Police Department. Please call prior to dropping off leaves during the week between 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM, at (201) 891-4333 to have the gate unlocked. Seasonal weekend hours are posted on the website at [www.franklinlakes.org](http://www.franklinlakes.org). No professional landscapers are allowed to use this facility.

## BATTERY RECYCLING

### Rechargeable Batteries

Place each rechargeable battery in a separate plastic bag in the drop-off recycling box located at the Recycling Center. Types of rechargeable batteries include batteries from cell phones, cordless phones, laptop computers, camcorders, cameras, remote control toys, cordless power tools, button cells from hearing aids and watches.

### Automobile Batteries

Recycle at BCUA Household Hazardous Waste collection or "trade-in" your old automobile battery when you purchase a new battery.

## ELECTRONIC WASTE DROP-OFF

### FACILITY (E-WASTE RECYCLING)

Electronic Waste Recycling can be dropped off at the Recycling Center located at 500 DeKorte Drive (behind Police HQ). Call the DPW at (201) 891-4333 for assistance with removal from your vehicle.

### **Electronic Waste items accepted:**

- Computers
- Computer Monitors
- Hard Drives
- Copy Machines
- Fax Machines
- Keyboards
- Laptops
- Microwaves
- Rechargeable Batteries
- Modems
- Printers
- Scanners
- Speakers
- Stereo Equipment
- Televisions
- Toaster Ovens



### **Recycling Cans**

**Buy one can at  
Borough Hall  
Only \$40**

# BCUA RECYCLING

Bergen County Utilities Authority (BCUA)  
(201) 641-2552

## HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE RECYCLING

The Bergen County Utilities Authority (BCUA) offers a household hazardous waste management program to Bergen County residents. The program offers residents an opportunity to properly dispose of household hazardous waste items. Additional information is available at [www.bcua.org](http://www.bcua.org).

### **WHAT HAZARDOUS WASTE MATERIAL IS RECYCLABLE?**

- Aerosol cans with liquid
- Anti-freeze
- Batteries - (vehicle and rechargeable only)
- Blacktop sealers
- Disinfectants
- Drain cleaners
- Fire extinguishers
- Solvents and thinners
- Photographic chemicals
- Propane gas cylinders (11lb and 20lb only)
- All types of paints and varnishes
- Oil filters (used)
- Gasoline
- Kerosene
- Pesticides
- Fertilizers
- Herbicides
- Insecticides
- Bug spray
- Thermostats/ thermometers
- Used motor oil
- Glue
- Lighter fluid
- Mercury switches

#### **2020 Hazardous Waste Collection Sites**

For dates, visit [www.franklinlakes.org/BCUA](http://www.franklinlakes.org/BCUA)

Bergen County Campgaw Mountain Reservation  
200 Campgaw Rd., Mahwah

Bergen County Community College  
400 Paramus Rd., Paramus

Bergen County Utilities Authority  
Foot of Empire Blvd., Moonachie

### **HAZARDOUS WASTE NOT ACCEPTED**

- Unlabeled containers with unknown contents.
- Regulated medical waste, radioactive materials and explosives.
- Containers larger than 5 gallons.
- Compressed cylinders (oxygen or acetylene).
- Pressure-treated lumber or railroad ties.



## **OTHER BCUA COLLECTION EVENTS**

Proof of residency is required for these events and all materials should be in original containers and labeled. Please visit [www.bcua.org](http://www.bcua.org) for more information.

### **TIRE RECYCLING**

There is a 4 tire limit per person, per delivery. Tires with or without rims will be accepted.

### **ELECTRONICS AND COMPUTERS**

Computers, televisions, modems, fax machines, and more will be collected.

### **MOBILE PAPER SHREDDING**

There is a limit of 4 bags weighing not more than 10 pounds. Confidential and personal documents are shredded in a secure manner.

#### **2020 Collection Events**

#### **Tire Recycling/Electronics/Shredding**

For dates, visit [www.franklinlakes.org/BCUA](http://www.franklinlakes.org/BCUA)

Bergen County Campgaw Mountain Reservation  
200 Campgaw Rd., Mahwah

Bergen County Community College  
400 Paramus Rd., Paramus

## **GARBAGE AND RECYCLING UPDATES**

The Borough provides emergency alerts by text and e-mail through Nixle. You can also receive periodic e-mails from the Borough with news and information on what's happening in the Borough including garbage and recycling schedule changes, special events and upcoming meetings.

Sign up to receive the Borough's communication:

[www.FranklinLakes.org/Nixle](http://www.FranklinLakes.org/Nixle)

[www.FranklinLakes.org/E-blast](http://www.FranklinLakes.org/E-blast)

[www.FranklinLakes.org/RecycleCoach](http://www.FranklinLakes.org/RecycleCoach)



# SAY "NO" TO PLASTIC BAGS

Franklin Lakes Recycling Coordinator  
(201) 891-4000, Ext. 3010, [Recycling@franklinlakes.org](mailto:Recycling@franklinlakes.org)

The Franklin Lakes Environmental Commission is conducting a campaign to reduce the use of plastic bags in the Borough. In doing so, it is following the example of numerous towns in New Jersey which have recently banned plastic bags. The reasons for doing so are:

- Plastic bags clog our waterways and streams;
- Plastic bags *never* disintegrate;
- Plastic bags kill 100,000 marine animals and birds every year by ingesting them;
- Many recycling centers no longer accept plastic bags;
- Plastic bags cost merchants more than \$4 billion a year.

We are asking residents to always use *reusable* bags when shopping. The Borough has distributed their own reusable bags. Please help clean up our precious environment and keep our town free from plastic debris.



## Don't forget to use reusable bags!

## Pride in Franklin Lakes is Picking Up!

### *Anti-Littering Campaign*



- The Franklin Lakes community can work together to clean up our parks, fields and public areas.
- Clean up after yourself and make sure that others do as well.
- The beauty that is Franklin Lakes should be free of litter.
- Be responsible to your community, your neighbors, the environment and yourself, by always picking up.



# WHAT DO I DO WITH?

**Franklin Lakes Recycling Coordinator**  
 (201) 891-4000, Ext. 3010, [Recycling@franklinlakes.org](mailto:Recycling@franklinlakes.org)

Item & Instructions	Disposal Location
Appliances or other large metal items (non-electronic)	Metal Appliance Recycling - Monthly curbside pick-up. Call 201-891-4000, Ext. 3011 to schedule collection. OR Recycling Center, DPW, 500 DeKorte Drive
Automobile - motor oil and antifreeze	BCUA Household Hazardous Waste Collection Events
Batteries - <u>rechargeable</u>	Recycling Center, DPW, 500 DeKorte Drive
Batteries - <u>regular</u> (AA, AAA, C, D, 9V)	Garbage.
Books - hardcover and paperback books	Recycling Center, DPW, 500 DeKorte Drive
Clothing and Bedding	Borough of Franklin Lakes Clothing Bins Recycling Center, DPW 500 DeKorte Drive
Construction debris including concrete, blocks, brick, sheetrock, old asphalt, shingles	Special arrangements can be made with Gaeta for an additional fee. Contact Gaeta at 973-278-6625 Ext. 34.
Documents or other paper for shredding	Bergen County and Franklin Lakes Shred days (check website in early 2020 for dates in April and October)
Electronics – see list on page 4	Recycling Center, DPW, 500 DeKorte Drive
Fluorescent light bulbs	BCUA Household Hazardous Waste Collection Events
Furniture and kitchen cabinets	Donate items in good condition: Habitat for Humanity Restore - <a href="http://www.habitat.org/restores">www.habitat.org/restores</a> Green Demolitions - <a href="http://www.greendemolitions.com">www.greendemolitions.com</a> Renovation Angel - <a href="http://www.renovationangel.org">www.renovationangel.org</a>
Household items	Donate items in good condition: Goodwill - <a href="http://www.goodwill.org">www.goodwill.org</a> Habitat for Humanity Restore - <a href="http://www.habitat.org/restores">www.habitat.org/restores</a> Salvation Army - <a href="http://www.satruck.org">www.satruck.org</a> Veterans organizations
Paint - latex cans with a small amount of dry paint residue	BCUA Household Hazardous Waste Collection Events
Paint - oil or solvent based paint cans	BCUA Household Hazardous Waste Collection Events
Plastic bags	Stop and Shop, 816 Franklin Avenue, Franklin Lakes
Printer cartridges - ink jet and laser	Cartridge World, 830 Franklin Avenue, Franklin Lakes
Styrofoam peanuts	The UPS Store, 852 Franklin Avenue, Franklin Lakes
Styrofoam – blocks, meat trays, and other food trays	Garbage
Tires	BCUA Tire Collection Events
Wooden Pallets	Garbage - maximum of one pallet per garbage collection

## IMPORTANT CONTACTS

<b>Garbage/Recycling Contractor</b> <b>Gaeta Recycling Co., Inc</b> (973) 278-6625, Ext. 34	<b>Franklin Lakes</b> <b>Department of Public Works</b> (201) 891-4333
<b>Metal Recycling Hotline</b> (201) 891-4000, Ext. 3011	<b>Bergen County Utilities Authority</b> (201) 641-2552 <a href="http://www.bcua.org">www.bcua.org</a>
<b>Franklin Lakes</b> <b>Recycling Coordinator</b> (201) 891-4000, Ext. 3010, <a href="mailto:Recycling@franklinlakes.org">Recycling@franklinlakes.org</a>	

## 2020 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Holiday	New Recycling Collection Day	New Garbage Collection Day
Wednesday, January 1, 2020 New Years Day	Paper Thursday, January 2, 2020	-
Monday, May 25, 2020 Memorial Day	Yard Waste Wednesday, May 27, 2020	Thursday, May 28, 2020
Monday, September 7, 2020 Labor Day	Yard Waste Wednesday, September 9, 2020	Thursday, September 10, 2020
Thursday, November 26, 2020 Thanksgiving	-	Friday, November 27, 2020 Extra Garbage Collection (Entire town on the same day.)



## 2020 PAPER AND COMMINGLED RECYCLING

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
PAPER	2				6	3	1			7	4	2
COMMINGLED	8	5	4	1	13	10	8	5	2	14	11	9
PAPER	15	12	11	8	20	17	15	12	9	21	18	16
COMMINGLED	22	19	18	15	27	24	22	19	16	28	25	23
PAPER	29	26	25	22			29	26	23			30
COMMINGLED				29					30			

## 2020 METAL/LARGE APPLIANCE RECYCLING

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC
Call (201) 891-4000, Ext. 3011 to schedule pickup	3	7	6	3	1	5	10	7	4	2	6	4

*Visit [www.FranklinLakes.org](http://www.FranklinLakes.org) for additional information.*