

OXFORD TRASH COLLECTION POLICY

(Adopted pursuant to Resolution 1903)

1. **Curbside Pickup Schedule.** The following schedule is the Town's curbside schedule for collection of trash, recycling, yard waste and bulk items. The schedule is subject to change due to holidays, inclement weather and equipment issues. Holiday schedules and other notices will be posted on the Oxford website and on the Town of Oxford, MD Facebook page.

No refuse or waste may be set out for collection prior to 5:00 p.m. on the day preceding the scheduled collection day for such refuse or waste. Refuse containers should be removed from curbside or alley pickup locations prior to 9:00 p.m. on the collection day.

•**Regular Trash:** is picked up weekly on Mondays. Please have trash bagged or in cans for the pickup contractors by 7 am. Please do not leave bags out overnight as they are prone to destruction from critters. Residents are permitted two lidded cans or two secured bags per individual dwelling unit, not to exceed 50 lbs. each. Small businesses are permitted three lidded cans per storefront, not to exceed 50 lbs. and any food must be in a closed container.

•**Recycle:** is picked up weekly on Thursdays. Please place single stream recycle in a can, bin or bucket marked with something designating it as recycle. The following items can be recycled in one container: paper, cardboard, plastic, aluminum, metal, and glass. Please see the attached detailed list. All paper, containers, etc., must be dry and free of food or other contaminants. Please cover recyclables during inclement weather so that paper products remain dry.

•**Clean, Segregated Yard Waste:** is picked up the second and last Tuesday of the month. Grass clippings, plant clippings and tree branches, trim to no more than four (4) feet in length and eight (8) inches in diameter. All yard waste must be clean and segregated. Plant trimmings and tree branches can be loose or bundled with string; grass clippings must be placed in containers that will be emptied at pick up, no plastic bags or mixing of yard waste. (Any tree limbs greater than eight (8) inches in diameter will be collected on rubble day.) *All yard contractors are to remove debris they create or accumulate.*

•**Rubble or Bulk Trash:** is picked up on the third Tuesday of the month. Scrap lumber, plywood, paneling, building debris, furniture, sofas, tables, recliners, etc., box springs (covered), and mattresses. Metal is also accepted. Tree limbs greater than eight (8) inches in diameter. This service is for residential use only. *All construction contractors are to remove debris they create or accumulate.*

•**Leaves:** are picked up every Wednesday from late fall through mid-December only. This pickup is strictly for LEAVES only, which must be raked out to the curbside for pick-up by the town's leaf vacuum cleaner. LEAVES only, means no mixing of other debris in these piles. Products other than leaves, including sticks and dirt are harmful to the Town's equipment. This service is for residential use only. *All yard contractors are to remove debris they create or accumulate.*

2. **Town Trash Facilities.** The Town provides the following additional trash and collection facilities for its residents.

•**Trash Cans** are placed in all Park Areas for the use of patrons of the parks. These cans are not placed in the parks for the disposal of household waste, please DO NOT place food and kitchen waste in these cans.

•**Doggy Pickup Bags** are placed in all Park Areas for the use of animal owners. It is required by Ordinance that animal waste be properly bagged and placed in a trash receptacle. It is not permissible to leave animal waste on public property. These bags are intended for use at the locations they were they are located, do not remove rolls of bags for your own use.

•**Town Dumpsters** are placed at municipal waterways for the use of slip renters who pay a fee for this service and visitors to these areas. These dumpsters are not for placing large items like furniture or trash from elsewhere.

3. **Additional Trash Provisions, Conditions and Restrictions.**

•**Trash Collection Services for Town Residents Only:** It is not permissible to bring Trash, Recycle, Brush or any other waste from outside the incorporated boundary of Oxford into the Town for disposal or pickup by contracted or municipal services. The above services are provided for Oxford residents only.

•**Trash Collection of Contractor Trash, Materials and Debris Prohibited:** The Town will not pick up lawn debris, grass clippings or construction and demolition materials generated by licensed contractors. Property owners are responsible for notifying the contractors.

•**Dumpsters Required for Marina and Restaurant Uses:** Businesses providing Marine and Restaurant services are required to provide sufficient and suitable Dumpsters for their business use and the use of their patrons. Businesses are encouraged to also provide recycle services in keeping with town standards.

•**Disposal of Hazardous and other Enumerated Materials Prohibited:** The following items are prohibited from being place for collection at any time: Motor vehicle tires, Hazardous, radioactive or medical wastes, Burning or smoldering materials or any other materials which would create a fire hazard, rocks, dirt, sod, paint or motor oil, dead animals, unbagged animal waste, and any other item, disposal of which falls under the regulation of a county, state, or federal agency, such as, but not limited to, the county health department, the Maryland Department of the Environment, or the Environmental Protection Agency.

•**County Recycle Containers:** Recycle containers are placed at the Causeway recycle center on behalf of Talbot County. These containers are for the use of all residents, county and town.

4. Violations and Penalties: As set forth in Chapter 5 of the Oxford Town Code (Trash Collection), violations of this Oxford Trash Collection Policy, adopted by Resolution 1903 of the Commissioners of Oxford, shall be considered a municipal infraction punishable by a fine of \$50.00. Each day on which a violation exists shall constitute a separate offense.