

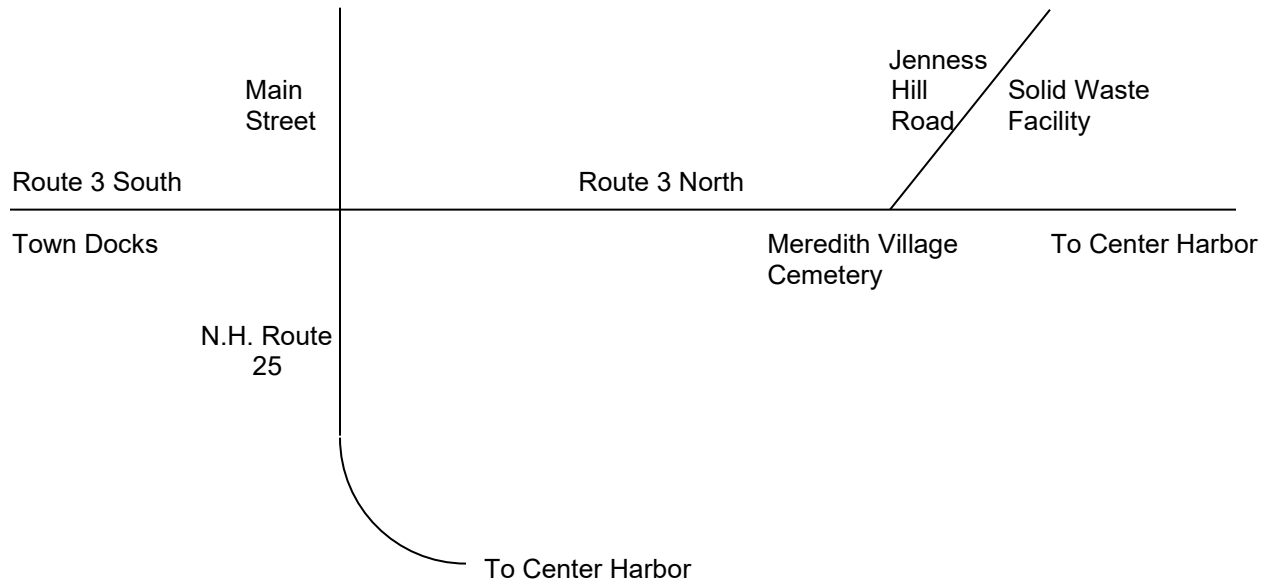
RULES, REGULATIONS & INFORMATION
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For
MEREDITH & CENTER HARBOR RESIDENTS
SOLID WASTE FACILITY

SERVING THE TOWNS OF MEREDITH & CENTER HARBOR, NH

HOURS OF OPERATION: 8:00 am – 3:00 pm DAILY
CLOSED WEDNESDAYS AND HOLIDAYS

LOCATION: 17 JENNESS HILL ROAD, MEREDITH, NH

603-279-8480



**UNAUTHORIZED DISPOSAL IN ALL AREAS IS PROHIBITED DURING
UNSCHEDULED HOURS.**

**A PROPERLY AUTHORIZED FACILITY USE PERMIT MUST BE AFFIXED TO THE VEHICLE OR A VALID
FACILITY COUPON MUST BE PRESENTED IN ORDER TO USE THE FACILITY.**

VIOLATORS WILL BE ACTIVELY PROSECUTED PER SOLID WASTE ORDINANCE.

TRASH IS SUBJECT TO INSPECTION AT ANY TIME BY THE FACILITY ATTENDANTS.

**Users of this facility acknowledge that the SW Transfer Station is an area of inherent risks and that
users agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Town of Meredith from any liability claim or suit
arising out of the use of this said facility.**

- I. **RECYCLING:** The Selectmen of Center Harbor and Meredith have increased the area's recycling effort not only to reduce trash disposal costs but also to sell and reuse raw materials. A major benefit of recycling is the money saved resulting from not having to burn, to landfill or to transfer these materials. Users of the Solid Waste Facility are required by local ordinances to separate recyclable materials from disposable trash. This booklet outlines the separation requirements. Trash is subject to inspection at any time by the facility attendants. Failure to comply with the local recycling ordinances could result in not only the loss of facility use but also the unexpected payment of a monetary fee. You are encouraged to ask for assistance from the facility attendants. They are there to answer your questions and assist you in your recycling efforts.

II. **RECYCLABLE MATERIALS**

The following is an alphabetical list of recyclable materials that are accepted for disposal at the Solid Waste Facility:

- A. **ALUMINUM FOIL** – foil that is clean of contaminants such as food and waste products can be recycled. A separate bin is provided for foil at the Recycling Building. Unclean foil should be disposed of with household trash at the Transfer Station.
- B. **BATTERIES** – household batteries are collected in a designated bin in the Recycling Building. Automotive, marine and equipment batteries are disposed of at the Battery Storage Building near the scrap metal pile.
- C. **BRUSH** – small trees, undergrowth, branches and clean wood products may be disposed at the designated area, “the brush pit.” All materials must be no greater than five feet (5') in length and no greater than five inches (5") in diameter. DO NOT dispose of leaves, painted wood, stumps and/or any materials other than brush in this designated area.
- D. **CANS** – please rinse out all containers! Aluminum and tin cans have designated bins in the Recycling Building. Always ask the facility attendants if you have any questions.
- E. **CLOTHING** – Clean clothing is now being accepted at the Recycling Building. We have two containers: one is for clothing in good condition for reuse and the other is for ripped clothing which is sold for processed rags. Unclean items should be considered household trash. Please see attendant for assistance.
- F. **CORRUGATED CARDBOARD** – double-walled cardboard only. Cardboard similar to cereal, shoe or food boxes should go to the Transfer Station, along with wet, oily or heavily waxed boxes.
- G. **CONSTRUCTION/DEMOLITION MATERIALS** – demolition material from property owners of the Town of Meredith and Center Harbor only, will be accepted. Fees will be set for all this material by the Board of Selectmen. Vehicles carrying demolition will be weighed at the scales and the hauler must pay the attendant for tonnage. Un-stripped pallets are accepted at this site only.
- H. **GLASS – BROWN, CLEAR & GREEN** – caps should be removed. Metal and plastic caps go into the designated areas. The following contaminants are not recyclable and should be placed with household trash: No ceramics, mirrors, windshields, or light bulbs. No sand, dirt or stone. No window glass. No containers that have any food, fat or other contaminants. It is essential to keep contaminants out of the recycled glass bins as glass buyers will reject any or all loads.
- I. **HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCES/WHITE GOODS** – refrigerators and freezers must have their doors removed. DO NOT cut the Freon-carrying tubing of any appliance. Due to environmental concerns, if an appliance containing any type of chemical such as Freon has

cut tubing, it will not be accepted at our facility. Otherwise, white goods will be accepted at the designated areas and will have disposal fees.

- J. LEAVES/YARD WASTE – all leaves must be deposited in the compost area. The metal attendant will direct patrons to the designated area. No brush, metal, wood, sand or other similar contaminants are allowed. All leaves must be emptied from containers. Any plastic bags must be emptied and deposited at the designated area in the facility. It is important that all contaminants be removed. Plastic bags have continually created problems. This compost has been utilized for various Town projects and is available to residential facility users. We find this most cost effective in saving our taxpayers money. Only pine needles, leaves, lawn and garden clippings will be allowed at this area.
- K. MATTRESSES/BOX SPRINGS – two or less stripped mattresses or stripped box springs accepted per week free. There is a fee for unstrapped mattresses or box springs and a fee for any quantity more than two, stripped, or unstrapped. See fee schedule and/or ask the facility attendant for assistance.
- L. METALS – metals are to be separated. All contaminants must be stripped and removed from any materials deposited in the following designated categories:
- Light Iron #1 = ductwork and sheet metal should be stripped of all contaminants. When stripped and disassembled, there will be no charge.
Light Iron #2 = all other metal that a magnet will stick to and is not contaminated.
Light Iron #3 = structural steel, thick plating I beam ¼ - ½ "thick.
Light Iron #4 = aluminum should be stripped of all contaminants.
All scrap metal will not exceed 4'. If you have larger lengths, please see attendant for assistance and fee schedule.
- M. NEWSPAPER – Newspapers only! No wet newspapers or magazines. Please tie with string or twine for easier handling and baling.
- N. PAPER – computer and office paper should be placed in the designated container at the Recycling Building. All "used" but clean paper products may be recycled and should be placed in the designated areas. Magazines, telephone books and catalogs may be placed in one designated container at the Recycling Building.
- O. PLASTICS – please rinse out all containers. Separation will be as follows and will be placed in the appropriate containers:
- Soda bottles
 - Milk, orange juice and water containers
 - Miscellaneous bottles or containers such as detergent, oil & cleaning products.
- P. SHEET ROCK – non-contaminated sheet rock will be disposed of in the designated container outside the Transfer Station. Contaminated sheet rock should be placed in the demolition trailer.
- Q. SHINGLES – Shingles should be deposited free of wood, metal and other contaminants and placed in the designated area.
- R. TIRES – tires may be disposed of at the solid Waste Facility by property owners and residents. Please see fee schedule and/or the facility attendant for more information.
- S. WASTE OIL – waste oil is accepted at our Recycling Facility up to five gallons per trip. Larger volumes may be accepted by prior approval. It cannot be contaminated or mixed with anti-freeze, paint thinner, water or any other chemicals. If it is contaminated, it can be disposed of during our Hazardous Waste Day in July of each year.

- T. WATER BASED PAINT – all latex based paint cans will be accepted at the Demolition Trailer subject to the following conditions:
The cover on all latex based paint cans must be removed and all latex paint used and the inside of the can dry. If there is latex paint left in the can, sand or an absorbent material such as 'speedy dry' or cat litter must be blended into the remaining paint and allowed to dry. They can then be disposed of at the demolition trailer. Oil based paints and varnishes may only be disposed of at our facility through the Hazardous Waste Day program, or you may wish to contact a private firm who handles hazardous waste material.

III. GENERAL INFORMATION

A. ANNUAL CLEAN UP WEEKEND

Public Works Department sponsors an Annual Clean Up Weekend for Meredith residents and taxpayers each Spring. Dates to be announced. There will be no curb side pickup, items must be transported to the Facility by the property owner/resident. Special fee schedules will apply only to the Annual Clean Up Weekend.

B. COOPERATION

We ask each of you for your cooperation in complying with the regulations and recycling effort. The Town will not be able to please everyone regarding permits, special needs and circumstance of regulations; however, for the benefit of all, we will try to provide the best service for the most people at the least possible cost. Thank you.

C. CURRENT EXCLUSION LIST

The Town of Meredith currently DOES NOT accept the following items:

- Oil based paints and varnishes (see Hazardous Waste Day)
- Gas Tanks
- Automobiles, engines
- Closed containers
- Barrels and drums with fluid or hazardous waste
- Scrap metals exceeding 4' lengths
- Hazardous waste (see Hazardous Waste Day Information for disposal)
- Creosote Wood Products

D. FEES AND PERMITS

Meredith and Center Harbor citizens may use the Solid Waste Facility Decal by applying for the permit. For residential and commercial applicants, permits must be in one of the three categories listed below and have a vehicle registration in his/her name or Meredith/Center Harbor business name. Please bring in your registration when you apply for a decal.

1. Are you a property owner?
2. Can you prove residency?
3. Do you have a car registered in your name in either town?

Permits are \$35.00 and will be issued only to people qualifying for it in the above 1 to 3 categories. Please remember that if you trade in your vehicle, scrape off the decal to enable you to get the \$5.00 replacement. Otherwise, there will be a \$35.00 fee to replace it. All permits must be affixed appropriately to the vehicle at once.

The permit **cannot** be on loose pieces of cardboard, a plastic template or handheld. If the decal is not affixed to the vehicle or does not agree with that vehicle's registration number, you will not be permitted to use the facility. Permits must be placed on the right-hand passenger side of the vehicle windshield area. Please do not place decals behind mirrors. Any old or expired decals should be removed. Permits are valid for a two-year period. There will be no prorating fees or refunds for an unused portion of the two-year period. Permits may be obtained through the mail if you are a Meredith or Center Harbor property owner. Send a check for \$35.00 per decal with a copy of your vehicle registration along with a self-addressed stamped envelope. An immediate response may be expected. Coupon booklets are also available for \$35.00 each and are valid for a two-year period. Meredith property owners and residents may obtain decals and coupon booklets at the Meredith Town Office and at the Solid Waste Facility. Center Harbor property owners and residents may obtain their decals and coupons at the Center Harbor Town Office.

E. HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DAY

Household Hazardous Waste Day will be held at the Solid Waste Facility on the last Saturday in July each year. There is also a year-round facility open in Wolfeboro.

F. INFORMATION AND QUESTIONS

If you have any questions regarding the disposal of an item or any other Solid Waste questions, please call the Solid Waste Facility at (603) 279-8480 from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm.

G. OUT OF TOWN CONTRACTORS

If you are an out-of-town contractor, doing business in Meredith or Center Harbor, you may purchase a special permit with a property owner's written authorization only. The permit and a copy of this authorization must accompany the vehicle depositing demolition at the facility. The permit is valid for one week (seven consecutive days only) for disposal and only if the material is generated from Meredith or Center Harbor. Weekly permits are \$50.00 per vehicle plus tonnage fees. Recycling and separation regulations must be followed.

If these regulations are violated, the supervisor may disallow, at his discretion, any use of the facility by the violating party until the problem is reviewed with the Public Works Director and/or Town Manager.

H. RECYCLING STORE

The Recycling Store will accept any item that is in good condition and can be sold. We accept books, small appliances, toys, bikes, etc. If you spot anything that you would like to purchase, please ask the attendant for assistance. A donation is requested to help defray costs.

IV. **SPECIAL NOTES:** Where to obtain Solid Waste Decal permits:

Meredith Residents

Meredith Town Office
41 Main Street
Meredith, NH 03253
Monday – Friday 8:00 am to 5:00 pm
(603) 279-4538

Meredith Solid Waste Facility
17 Jenness Hill Road
Meredith, NH 03253
8:00 am to 3:00 pm daily
Except for Wednesdays and Holidays
(603) 279-8480

Center Harbor Residents:

Center Harbor Town Hall
36 Main Street, PO Box 140
Center Harbor, NH 03226
Monday 8:00 to 5:00
Tues, Wed & Thurs: 8:00 am to 3:00 pm
Fri 8:00 am -12:00 noon
(603) 253-4561