

County of Wellington

SOLID WASTE SERVICES

2017 Garbage, Recycling and Programme Information Calendar

We are pleased to provide you with the 2017 edition of the Solid Waste Services (SWS) Calendar. As in previous editions, you will find information about our waste services; including blue box recycling, curbside collection, and holiday changes. Rural County residents will find their bi-weekly curbside collection days marked each month. A single page rural curbside collection calendar is also available for download from our website at www.wellington.ca/sws.

The theme of this year's calendar is THEN WHAT? Have you ever wondered what happens to your waste items after you set them out at the curb or take them to a County waste facility? We look at how and where you should dispose of a product properly. We explain what Solid Waste Services does with it, and THEN WHAT happens to it as it continues on its journey. We only have space to talk about 12 different materials, so if you have questions about what happens to other materials, we encourage you to check out our website or give us a call.

Our goal at the County of Wellington and Solid Waste Services is to provide excellent customer service while protecting and enhancing the natural environment through our programmes. Please feel free to contact us to share your thoughts on the calendar and our services. Our contact information is below and on the back cover of the calendar.

We look forward to hearing from you!

Services and Programmes

We offer many waste diversion and management programmes through our curbside collection, as well as six waste facilities. Visit our website at www.wellington.ca/sws or contact us for information on what to do with any of these materials:

- Appliances and Freon Removal.
- Blue Box Materials.
- Christmas Trees.
- Construction and Demolition Waste: Asbestos (requires prior approval), Clean Fill, Concrete and Rubble, Contaminated Soil (requires prior approval), Fibreglass.
- Electronics.
- Garbage.
- Household Hazardous Waste (HHW).
- Organics (backyard composting).
- Reuse Options.
- Scrap Metal.
- Textiles.
- Tires.
- Wood and Brush.

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Curbside Collection Days and Waste Facilities

Collection Days

- Mapleton has collection on Tuesday, urban weekly, rural on Week 1
- Minto has collection on Tuesday, urban weekly, rural on Week 2
- Centre Wellington on the west side of Highway 6 has collection on Wednesday, urban weekly, rural on Week 1
- Centre Wellington on the east side of Highway 6 has collection on Wednesday, urban weekly, rural on Week 2)
- Erin has collection on Thursday, urban weekly, rural on Week 1
- Wellington North has collection on Thursday, urban weekly, rural on Week 2
- Guelph/Eramosa has collection on Friday, urban weekly, rural on Week 1
- Puslinch has collection on Friday, urban weekly, rural on Week 2

Please call us if you are unsure if you are in an urban or rural collection area.

Waste Facilities

- Harriston Waste Facility is in Minto Township
- Riverstown Waste Facility is in Wellington North Township
- Rothsay Waste Facility is in Mapleton Township
- Belwood Waste Facility is in Centre Wellington Township (east of Highway 6)
- Elora Waste Facility is in Centre Wellington Township (west of Highway 6)
- Aberfoyle Waste Facility is in Puslinch Township

Hours and addresses are listed on last page.

Paper Recycling

Items	Accepted Items and Preparation	Do Not Include
<p>Boxboard</p>	<p>Boxes for cereal, pop, toothpaste, tissues, soap, shoes, frozen foods, etc.; toilet paper rolls, paper ice cream containers (flatten and put inside a larger box)</p> <p>Paper egg cartons, take-out trays.</p>	<p>Remove inside bags and liners</p> <p>No spiral wound food containers (e.g. frozen juice container with metal bottom)</p>
<p>Corrugated Cardboard</p>	<p>Flattened corrugated boxes (boxes with a wavy layer between two layers of linerboard)</p> <p>Tied in bundles, maximum size: 60 cm x 60 cm x 30 cm (24" x 24" x 12") for curbside collection</p> <p>Maximum weight of 18 kg (40 lbs)</p> <p>Staples and tape are okay</p> <p>Maximum of 3 bundles per week per address.</p>	<p>No waxy cardboard</p> <p>No cardboard contaminated with oil or chemicals</p> <p>Remove all food residue and contents from pizza boxes</p>
<p>Household Papers, Books, Paper Bags</p>	<p>Junk mail, cards, office paper (e.g. envelopes, file folders, sticky notes)</p> <p>Telephone books, hard and soft covered books (remove and discard hard covers)</p> <p>Paper bags from flour, sugar, etc. (no plastic liner)</p> <p>Shredded paper must be bagged in a clear bag.</p>	<p>No metallic or glitter gift wrap or cards</p> <p>No photographs</p> <p>No used tissues or paper towels</p> <p>No candy wrappers</p> <p>Do not place in a bag (unless it is shredded paper)</p> <p>No coffee cups</p>
<p>Newspapers, Magazines</p>	<p>Newspapers, all flyers, magazines</p>	<p>Do not place in a bag</p>

Container Recycling

Items	Accepted Items and Preparation	Do Not Include
Aluminum and Tin Cans, Aluminum Foil	Food and beverage cans and lids (do not flatten) Clean aluminum foil, pie plates and baking trays Empty and rinse Labels are okay to leave on	No aerosol or paint cans (see HHW information for proper disposal) No cooking pots or pans (can go to waste facilities in scrap metal bin) No other metal items No foil laminates (e.g. potato chip bags) Do not flatten cans

Items	Accepted Items and Preparation	Do Not Include
Drink Boxes and Cartons	Milk and juice cartons Drink boxes (e.g. Tetra Pak™) including soup containers	Remove straws Leave caps on Do not flatten
Glass Bottles and Jars	Food and beverage glass bottles and jars Clear or coloured glass Empty and rinse Leave lids on Labels are okay to leave on	No light bulbs of any type No mirror or window glass No drinking glasses No ceramics (plates, mugs, etc.) No broken glass (contact SWS for disposal instructions)
Rigid Plastics	Bottles, jugs and tubs including food, beverage, health, beauty, household cleaning and laundry product containers Plastic clamshells from bakery products, berries, etc. Planting pots and trays (added in 2016) Empty and rinse Leave lids and caps on	No motor oil or chemical containers No plastic bags No plastic cutlery, plates, cups or straws No toys No styrofoam No single use beverage discs, pods or cups

Curbside Collection

- Collection is provided from Tuesday to Friday – weekly in urban areas and bi-weekly in rural areas.
- Rural areas receive collection on one side of the road except for provincial highways and Wellington County roads.
- Please be sure materials are out by 7:00 am on your collection day.

User Pay Garbage

- Garbage must be in a County-issued user pay bag.
- There are two sizes of bags available.
- They are sold in packages of 10.
- Large bags cost \$20.00 per package, small bags \$15.00 per package.
- Visit our website to find a distributor in your area.

Recycling

- Recyclables must be in County approved municipal style blue boxes.
- See previous pages for a full list of acceptable recyclables.
- Please put paper products in one blue box and containers in a separate blue box.
- Blue boxes are available through municipal offices and County waste facilities.
- Cardboard should be tied in bundles of no more than 60cm x 60cm x 30cm (24" x 24" x 12"). There is a maximum of three cardboard bundles per week, per address.

Be sure user pay garbage bags, blue boxes and cardboard bundles are under the limit of 18 kilograms (40 pounds).

Winter Weather

- Please do not place your materials on or behind snow banks. Put them out on level ground, either in your driveway or in a shovelled out area at the curb. Materials placed on top of snow banks are difficult for drivers to reach, and may be left behind.
- Sometimes winter weather will affect curbside collection services. Snow, ice and wind can be treacherous for all drivers on the road. Curbside collection is rarely cancelled, but may be postponed. We will collect your materials as soon as we are safely able to do so.
- If there is a lot of snowfall after placing your materials to the curb, please brush off your bags and blue boxes to make them easier for the driver to see. If you have any questions about curbside collection, including where to place your materials, please call our office at 519.837.2601 or 1.866.899.0248.
- For Garbage or Recycling Service Alerts please phone our office or check the SWS eNews page. You can also subscribe to SWS eNews to receive waste-related news and notices directly into your inbox. Just go to www.wellington.ca/subscribe and fill in your information.

Gold Box Reward Programme

The Gold Box Reward Programme recognizes the County's best recyclers. All households in the County are eligible. This is what we are looking for in a Gold Medal recycler:

- Only acceptable items are in the blue boxes.
- Materials are properly sorted into papers and containers.
- Recyclables are clean.
- Cardboard is flattened and bundled (if necessary).
- No recyclables placed in plastic bags (except shredded paper).
- Participation in recycling programme on a consistent basis.

If you are one of the County's best recyclers, you may be chosen by us or you can nominate yourself at www.wellington.ca/goldbox. (Please note that you may only apply for your own household's recycling.)

Recycle your Electronics

- Electronics are accepted at all six County waste facilities during regular operating hours.
- Site locations and hours are listed on the back cover.
- There is no charge to drop off electronics at the waste facilities.

Acceptable items include:

- Cables, wires, keyboards
- Cameras, camcorders
- Computers, monitors, printers
- Electric typewriters
- Fax machines, scanners, copiers
- Phones, cellphones, answering machines
- Radios, stereos, speakers
- Satellite and cable receivers
- Televisions, VCR and DVD players

Unacceptable items include:

- Electric drills
- Kettles
- Lamps
- Microwaves
- Oscillating fans
- Remote control toys
- Smoke Detectors
- Vacuum cleaners

Visit our website for a full list.

For more recycling options, please visit the Ontario Electronic Stewardship website at www.RecycleYourElectronics.ca.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW)

Select HHW Depots

Select HHW Depots are located at five County waste facilities: Aberfoyle, Belwood, Elora, Harriston, and Riverstown. They are open during regular operating hours. They accept household and automotive batteries, motor oil and filters, antifreeze, aerosol cans, and propane tanks.

Mobile HHW Depot

The Mobile HHW Depot moves around the County to each of the County's six waste facilities, as well as two County Roads garages. It will accept a full list of HHW materials. See schedule below for locations and hours.

For both Depot services, maximum quantities apply. Check our website for more details and full list of acceptable materials.

Hazardous waste generated by the industrial, commercial, institutional (IC&I) and agricultural sectors cannot be accepted.

More options to properly dispose of HHW materials are available by checking www.makethedrop.ca, www.regeneration.ca and www.healthsteward.ca.

Mobile Household Hazardous Waste Depot Schedule

Location	Address	8:00am – 4:00pm	Month(s)
Aberfoyle Waste Facility	6922 Concession 4 Puslinch Twp.	Wednesday Friday Saturday	January, August
Belwood Waste Facility	8585 Wellington Rd 19 Centre Wellington Twp.	Wednesday Friday Saturday	March, November
Brucedale Roads Garage	8436 Wellington Road 124 Guelph/Eramosa Twp.	Wednesday Friday Saturday	September
Elora Waste Facility	6549 Gerrie Rd Centre Wellington Twp.	Tuesday Thursday Saturday	June
Erin Roads Garage	9506 Wellington Road 124 Erin	Tuesday Thursday Saturday	May
Harriston Waste Facility	5668 Highway 23 Town of Minto	Tuesday Thursday Saturday	February, October
Riverstown Waste Facility	7254 Sideroad 5 West Wellington North Twp.	Tuesday Thursday Saturday	July
Rothsay Waste Facility	8495 Wellington Rd 7 Mapleton Twp.	Wednesday Friday Saturday	April, December

Aerosol Cans

- **You:** Bring to one of five Select HHW Depots or to the Mobile HHW Depot. Notify site attendant. There is no charge.
- **SWS:** Receives, documents and inventories aerosol cans, then stores them safely until they are picked up by an approved contractor.
- **Then what?** Aerosol cans go to an approved processor where any residual contents are emptied and captured, then cans are crushed and recycled.

FACT: Aerosol cans are 100% recyclable.

Household Batteries

- **You:** Bring to one of five Select HHW Depots, the Mobile HHW Depot, or any Wellington County library. At Depots, notify site attendant. There is no charge.
- **SWS:** Receives, documents and inventories batteries, then stores them safely until they are picked up by an approved contractor and delivered to an approved processor.
- **Then what?** Batteries are broken down into separate components: Steel and nickel go to recycling; earth elements such as zinc are recovered and turned into fertilizer; the paper and plastic goes to an energy from waste' facility to produce electricity.

FACT: Collected batteries are 100% diverted from landfill.

Aluminum Pop Cans

- **You:** Place in your blue box with other containers at curbside.
- **SWS:** Contractor collects recyclables and delivers to a material recovery facility.
- **Then what?** Machines and workers sort the blue box materials by type. Aluminum cans are then compressed into bales and sold to a processor. They are melted and rolled into sheets, then turned into new aluminum products.

FACT: It takes 95% less energy to make new aluminum from recycled cans than from raw materials.

Recycle Old Electronics

- **You:** Take to any County waste facility. Notify site attendant. There is no charge.
- **SWS:** Electronic items are received and stored in a safe and secure place. The bin is delivered to a local electronics recycler.
- **Then what?** Electronic items are dismantled, shredded, and sorted into various components such as plastic, glass, and metals to be recycled.

FACT: Fees you pay when you buy a new TV, stereo or other electronic device help to pay for proper handling and recycling at the end of its life.

Old Paint Cans

- **You:** Take used paint cans to the Mobile HHW Depot. Notify site attendant. There is no charge.
- **SWS:** Receives, documents, inventories the paint cans and prepares them for removal. They are stored safely until they are picked up by an approved contractor and delivered to an approved processor.
- **Then what?** Leftover paint is transformed into new paint and coating products. The metal and plastic cans are recycled.

FACT: If paint cans are completely empty and dry, remove the lid and put in your regular garbage or scrap metal bin at a waste facility.

Scrap Metal

- **You:** Take to any County waste facility. Tipping fees apply.
- **SWS:** We arrange for any freon to be removed safely, where necessary. A scrap metal contractor picks up all the metal items.
- **Then what?** Non-metal parts are removed and recycled where possible. Metal is separated by type and sold to processors. It is then melted down and turned into new metal products.

FACT: In 2016, SWS collected 442.04 tonnes of scrap metal, including 1,107 appliances.

Fluorescent / CFL Light Bulbs

- **You:** Take fluorescent bulbs and tubes to the Mobile HHW Depot. Notify site attendant. There is no charge.
- **SWS:** Receives, documents, inventories and sorts fluorescent bulbs and tubes. They are carefully packaged to avoid breakage and safely stored until they are picked up by an approved contractor and delivered to an approved processor.
- **Then what?** Fluorescent light bulbs and tubes contain a small amount of mercury. The mercury is safely captured for reuse. Glass and aluminum end-caps are recycled.

FACT: In 2015, SWS collected 2,289 compact fluorescent bulbs and 6,904 feet of fluorescent tubes.

Propane Tanks

- **You:** Bring to one of five Select HHW Depots or the Mobile HHW Depot. Maximum tank size accepted is 30 lbs. Notify site attendant. There is no charge.
- **SWS:** Receives, documents and inventories tanks and safely stores them until picked up by an approved contractor and delivered to an approved processor.
- **Then what?** Depending on the condition, tanks are safely emptied and recycled; or sandblasted, refurbished and resold to consumer.

FACT: Tanks have a ten-year lifespan. After that, they cannot be refilled. Check the date stamped on your tank's collar.

Wood and Brush

- **You:** Take to one of the following County waste facilities: Aberfoyle, Belwood, Harriston, or Riverstown. Tipping fees apply.
- **SWS:** Wood and brush are shredded into small pieces by a contractor using a large tub grinder.
- **Then what?** SWS uses the shredded wood at the Riverstown waste facility. It is used on roads for landfill equipment, to help control water at the landfill tipping area, and at times, as daily cover over the garbage.

FACT: SWS can accept and divert pressure treated and painted wood, as well as brush!

Clothing and Textiles

- **You:** Drop off used clothing, shoes, bedding, and other textiles at any of the County waste facilities. There is no charge.
- **SWS:** Partners with the Canadian Diabetes Clothesline programme to divert textiles from landfill.
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FACT: In 2015, 18.28 tonnes of textiles were collected in the Clothesline bins.

Household Garbage

- **You:** After recycling, diverting and composting all you can, place garbage in the yellow County User Pay garbage bag. Place at the curbside on your scheduled collection day by 7:00 am. Rural residents: Check maps on website for correct set-out location.
- **SWS:** Garbage is collected and delivered to the Riverstown waste facility, located in the Township of Wellington North.
- **Then what?** Garbage is compacted to conserve space. It is covered every day with a special tarp to save landfill space and soil.

FACT: The County owns one active landfill site. In 2015, 15,698 tonnes of residential garbage was buried at our landfill site.

Tires

- **You:** Bring to any County waste facility and notify site attendant. There is no charge.
- **SWS:** Receives, documents, and inventories tires as a registered collector with Ontario Tire Stewardship. They are collected by a registered hauler.
- **Then what?** Tires are delivered to registered processors for recycling. They are shredded, pulverized and separated into tire crumb, metal and fibreglass. Recycled tires can go into playground surfaces, mulch, and many other manufactured items.

FACT: If all the tires collected by SWS in 2015 were stacked on top of each other, the pile would be as high as 2.13 CN Towers!

January 2017

- Mobile HHW depot location is Aberfoyle Waste Facility (all month)
- January 1 New Year's Day
- January 3 to January 6 week one rural curbside collection
- January 10 to January 13 week two rural curbside collection
- January 10 to January 13 urban area curbside Christmas tree collection
- January 17 to January 20 week one rural curbside collection
- January 24 to January 27 week two rural curbside collection
- January 31 week one rural curbside collection

February 2017

- Mobile HHW Depot location is Harriston Waste Facility (all month)
- February 1 to February 3 week one rural curbside collection
- February 7 to February 10 week two rural curbside collection
- February 14 Valentine's Day
- February 14 to February 17 week one rural curbside collection
- February 20 Family Day
- February 21 to February 24 week two rural curbside collection
- February 28 week one rural curbside collection

March 2017

- Mobile HHW Depot location is Belwood Waste Facility (all month)
- March 1 to March 3 week one rural curbside collection
- March 7 to March 10 week two rural curbside collection
- March 14 to March 17 week one rural curbside collection
- March 17 St. Patrick's Day
- March 21 to March 24 week two rural curbside collection
- March 28 to March 31 week one rural curbside collection

April 2017

- Mobile HHW Depot location is Rothsay Waste Facility (all month)
- April 4 to April 7 week two rural curbside collection
- April 11 to April 13 week one rural curbside collection
- April 14 Good Friday, Sites closed. No collection.
- April 15 Rescheduled Friday collection for week one rural curbside collection
- April 16 Easter Sunday
- April 17 Easter Monday
- April 18 to April 21 week two rural curbside collection
- April 22 Earth Day
- April 25 to April 28 week one rural curbside collection

May 2017

- Mobile HHW Depot location is Erin Roads Garage (all month)
- May 2 to May 5 week two rural curbside collection
- May 9 to May 12 week one rural curbside collection
- May 14 Mother's Day
- May 16 to May 19 week two rural curbside collection
- May 22 Victoria Day
- May 23 to May 26 week one rural curbside collection
- May 30 to May 31 week two rural curbside collection

June 2017

- Mobile HHW Depot location is Elora Waste Facility (all month)
- June 1 to June 2 week two rural curbside collection
- June 6 to June 9 week one rural curbside collection
- June 13 to June 16 week two rural curbside collection
- June 18 Father's Day
- June 20 to June 23 week one rural curbside collection
- June 27 to June 30 week two rural curbside collection

July 2017

- Mobile HHW Depot location is Riverstown Waste Facility (all month)
- July 1 Canada Day, Sites Closed
- July 4 to July 7 week two rural curbside collection
- July 11 to July 14 week one rural curbside collection
- July 18 to July 21 week two rural curbside collection
- July 25 to July 28 week one rural curbside collection

August 2017

- Mobile HHW Depot location is Aberfoyle Waste Facility (all month)
- August 1 to August 4 week one rural curbside collection
- August 7 Civic Holiday
- August 8 to August 11 week two rural curbside collection
- August 15 to August 18 week one rural curbside collection
- August 22 to August 25 week two rural curbside collection
- August 29 to August 31 week one rural curbside collection

September 2017

- Mobile HHW Depot location is Brucedale Roads Garage (all month)
- September 1 week one rural curbside collection
- September 4 Labour Day
- September 5 to September 8 week two rural curbside collection

- September 12 to September 15 week one rural curbside collection
- September 19 to September 22 week two rural curbside collection
- September 26 to September 29 week one rural curbside collection

October 2017

- Mobile HHW Depot location is Harriston Waste Facility (all month)
- October 3 to October 6 week two rural curbside collection
- October 9 Thanksgiving Day
- October 10 to October 13 week one rural curbside collection
- October 17 to October 20 week two rural curbside collection
- October 24 to October 27 week one rural curbside collection
- October 31 week two rural curbside collection
- October 31 Halloween

November 2017

- Mobile HHW Depot location is Belwood Waste Facility (all month)
- November 1 to November 3 week two rural curbside collection
- November 7 to November 10 week one rural curbside collection
- November 11 Remembrance Day, Sites closed
- November 14 to November 17 week two rural curbside collection
- November 21 to November 24 week one rural curbside collection
- November 28 to November 30 week two rural curbside collection

December 2017

- Mobile HHW Depot location is Rothsay Waste Facility (all month)
- December 1 week two rural curbside collection
- December 5 to December 8 week one rural curbside collection
- December 12 to December 15 week two rural curbside collection
- December 19 to December 22 week one rural curbside collection
- December 25 Christmas Day
- December 26 Boxing Day, Sites closed. No collection
- December 27 to December 30 week two rural curbside collection
- December 30 Rescheduled Tuesday collection for week two rural curbside collection

Have your materials out by 7:00 am for collection

Wellington County Solid Waste Services Municipal Waste Facilities

Aberfoyle Waste Facility

- open Wednesday, Friday, Saturday
- located at 6922 Concession 4, Township of Puslinch

Belwood Waste Facility

- open Wednesday, Friday, Saturday
- located at 8585 Wellington Road 19, Township of Centre Wellington

Elora Waste Facility

- open Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday
- located at 6549 Gerrie Road, Township of Centre Wellington

Harriston Waste Facility

- open Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday
- located at 5668 Highway 23, Town of Minto

Riverstown Waste Facility

- open Tuesday to Saturday
- located at 7254 Sideroad 5 West, Township of Wellington North

Rothsay Waste Facility

- open Wednesday, Friday, Saturday
- 8495 Wellington Road 7, Township of Mapleton

Hours are 8:00 am to 4:00 pm on site-specific days.

County waste facilities are not open on Sundays, Mondays, or statutory holidays.

Engineering Services Department Contact Information

- Address: 74 Woolwich Street, Guelph ON N1H 3T9
- Telephone number: 519.837.2601
- Toll-free number: 1.866.899.0248
- Fax number: 519.837.8138
- Email address: wasteinfo@wellington.ca
- Website address: Visit our [Garbage and Recycling Website](#)