

Town of Old Saybrook, CT
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Chapter 181. SOLID WASTE

Article II. General Rules

§ 181-3. Solid waste collection.

- A. All solid waste originating within the limits of the Town of Old Saybrook shall be collected, transported, and disposed of either by the Town or by refuse collectors licensed jointly by the Town and the Authority in accordance with the provisions of this chapter. No other person or business entity shall collect, transport, or dispose of solid waste, with the exception that individual generators of solid waste and owners of property upon which solid waste has accumulated may collect, transport and dispose of such waste in conformity with the provisions of this chapter or such regulations as the Director may from time to time adopt.
- B. No solid waste collected from outside the boundaries of the Town of Old Saybrook shall be disposed of under a license or registration issued pursuant to this chapter.
- C. No person may enter the Old Saybrook transfer station unless he or she is a resident of Old Saybrook, a licensed refuse collector, or has permission from the Director.

§ 181-4. Removing recyclables from disposal site or at curbside.

- A. No person shall remove recyclable materials, including but not limited to scrap metal, newspapers, unbroken glass, bottles, cans, tires, and other collectibles, from the designated disposal site without authorization from the Director.
- B. Once recyclable materials are placed at curbside or other designated areas, it shall be a violation of this chapter for any person or entity, other than those authorized under this chapter, to collect or remove recyclable materials from said area.
- C. Each violation of Subsection **A** or **B** above shall constitute a separate and distinct offense, punishable by a fine as provided in § 181-12. *Editor's Note: Amended at time of adoption of Code (see Ch. 1, General Provisions, Art. I).*
- D. At the option of the Director, one who violates Subsection **A** or **B** of this section may be required to make restitution to the Town of Old Saybrook for any materials illegally removed.
- E. Nothing in this chapter shall limit the right of anyone to dispose of his or her own recyclables in any other lawful manner, provided that such materials have not been set out on the curb or placed in any designated collection or disposal site.

§ 181-5. Refuse containers and containers for recyclables.

- A. The owner of each premises in which solid waste is generated and accumulated shall provide suitable receptacles or containers for storing solid waste until it is collected or removed. Solid waste containers shall be maintained in good and sound condition. They shall be equipped with securely fitting covers and shall be replaced when no longer in a good and sound condition. Containers for recyclables shall be clearly marked with the name of the material they are intended to hold and shall be located as required by a plan approved by the Director.
- B. Containers for commercial solid waste. The standard container for commercial solid waste shall be a watertight, vermin proof, galvanized or plastic receptacle of not less than 20 nor more than 30 gallons capacity and with a tight lid.
- C. Miscellaneous.
 - (1) Curbside collections shall be made each week.
 - (2) Grass cuttings from lawns will be collected if they are placed at curbside in a closed waterproof plastic or paper bag of less than 30 gallons capacity. Leaves will be collected if they are separated from all other waste including twigs, branches and grass clippings and placed at curbside, in a separate closed waterproof plastic or paper bag of less than 30 gallons capacity.
 - (3) Refuse collectors are required to remove dry leaves, twigs, brush and grass clippings that are not bagged and placed at curbside in cases where the collector and the occupant can agree to an appropriate price for such service and the occupant ensures a safe and clear passage to the location of such refuse.

§ 181-6. Storage and handling of solid waste and recyclables.

- A. No person, firm or corporation shall store or accumulate solid waste in any location in the Town of Old Saybrook, unless it is stored in approved solid waste containers, except in cases where the Director has issued an exemption from these rules.
- B. Any accumulation of solid waste that is not stored as set forth above is deemed a nuisance and is prohibited. In such cases, the Director may notify the owner of such premises, or any other party responsible for the prohibited accumulation. Failure to remove such accumulation within 10 days of notification is a violation of this chapter.
- C. Littering. Solid waste shall not be cast, placed or deposited in such manner that it may be carried or deposited by the elements upon any public place or upon the property of another person. *Editor's Note: See also Ch. 144, Littering.*
- D. Hazardous waste. It is unlawful to place hazardous waste or similar dangerous substance into any solid waste or recyclables container or to submit such substance to the transfer station or the Mid-Connecticut System.
- E. Bulky waste and scrap metal must be separated from solid waste by both residential and commercial generators, and shall be delivered to a specified location, at such time as the Director may designate.
- F. Scrap metal will be collected at the disposal site in containers and will be recycled in accordance with a plan approved by the Director.