



# PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND'S WASTE WATCH PROGRAM

## BUSINESS PARTICIPANT GUIDE

*Welcome!* to Waste Watch

**WASTE WATCH** is a mandatory program which helps protect the environment by separating waste resources into three categories. **RECYCLABLES** are important because they allow the collection of marketable materials that can be remanufactured. This conserves energy, reduces waste going to landfill, and helps to stabilize program cost. **COMPOST**, made from organics, can be used as a valuable soil conditioner. **WASTE** is the “leftover” – items that can neither be recycled nor composted.

*The first priority of WASTE WATCH is to reduce.* While we are able to responsibly manage **WASTE**, we should not create it unnecessarily.



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to preserve Tomorrow®

# Sorting Guidelines

**Business participants are subject to the same guidelines as residential customers.**

Businesses are encouraged to rethink their impact on waste management, and to reduce their packaging. Materials must be source-separated into the three streams –

## Recyclables, Compost, and Waste

Businesses must provide sorting containers for patrons and employees, as well as clearly visible sorting guidelines. Information on sorting is available on [www.iwmc.pe.ca](http://www.iwmc.pe.ca) or by contacting IWMC.

### **SORTING TIPS FOR BUSINESSES**

- Establish sorting stations with appropriate signage
- Periodically review waste management procedures
- Perform spot checks for quality control
- Set a positive example
- Ensure sorting guides are posted
- Consider an incentives program
- Provide training and ensure staff, contractors, and cleaners are familiar with the program requirements



## *Mixed Waste & Surcharges:*

Mixed waste is defined as waste and compost loads with an unacceptable level of contamination. Loads containing mixed waste and/or solid-coloured bags (black, green, orange, etc.) will be subject to surcharges *in addition to the normal disposal fee.*

# Disposal

Businesses may deliver sorted material to a Waste Watch Drop-Off Center (WWDC) or hire a contractor. Disposal fees, based on weight, are the responsibility of the contractor, hauler, or resident delivering sorted material to the disposal site.

## WWDCs WILL ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING:

**FREE!**

### NO CHARGE:

- Silage wrap (clean & dry)
- White goods (i.e. fridges, stoves, washers, etc.)
- Tires (off rims)
- Electronics
- Paint, stains, paint cans
- Oil & glycol fluids and containers / oil filters
- Automotive antifreeze fluid & containers
- Aerosol containers for aerosol propelled lubricants and brake cleaner
- Light bulbs (any type of light that can be removed from its fixture)

### DISPOSAL FEE:

- Source separated materials (Recyclables, Compost & Waste)
- Contaminated materials (excluding asbestos and commercial bio-medical / hazardous waste)
- Contaminated soil (maximum 3 tonnes)
- Construction and demolition debris
- Metals

## Items Requiring Special Disposal

### **BIO-MEDICAL WASTE**

Waste sharps, including needles, syringes, blades, and laboratory glass are dangerous because they may cause injury or infection. As a result, businesses must arrange for appropriate disposal of biomedical waste. *Visit the Interactive Sorting Guide at [www.iwmc.pe.ca](http://www.iwmc.pe.ca) for options.*

## HAZARDOUS WASTE

Hazardous Wastes produced by businesses are not accepted at Island Waste Management disposal sites. This includes any product which is corrosive, flammable, reactive, or toxic (with the exception of most paint, used oil & glycol products). Businesses are responsible for arranging a safe and appropriate method of disposal. If you require further direction, please contact Customer Service.

## SILAGE & BOAT SHRINK WRAP

Half-ton loads of clean & dry wrap can be taken to any WWDC (**NO CHARGE**). For larger loads or stockpiled material, contact IWMC to make arrangements. *Heavily soiled wrap is WASTE and subject to a disposal fee.*

## AGRICULTURAL CONTAINERS, SEED BAGS, PESTICIDES, MEDICATION

Visit [www.cleanfarms.ca](http://www.cleanfarms.ca) (or call **1-877-622-4460**) for information on recycling and disposal information for containers, seed & pesticide bags, obsolete pesticides, and livestock medication.

## METALS

Metals can be taken to any scrap dealer or WWDC.

## BATTERIES

**Lead Acid:** Return lead acid battery to place of purchase or visit [www.canadianbatteryassociation.ca](http://www.canadianbatteryassociation.ca) (or **250-216-3664**) for drop-off locations. Batteries should be transported upright in leak-proof, corrosion-proof containers.

**Rechargeable & Non-Rechargeable:** Visit [www.call2recycle.ca](http://www.call2recycle.ca) (or **888-224-9764**) for guidelines and to set up your own **FREE** recycling program. WWDCs will also accept batteries if packaged in accordance with **Call2Recycle** guidelines. **NO CHARGE.**

## SCRAP TIRES

Tires (off rims) may be taken to any WWDC. **NO CHARGE.**

## LIGHT BULBS:

See [www.lightrecycle.ca](http://www.lightrecycle.ca) for locations. May also be taken to any WWDC. **NO CHARGE.**

# *Public Waste Guidelines*

Public waste is defined as recyclable, compost, and waste material that is placed in unsupervised containers in public areas such as campgrounds, park areas, festivals or special event grounds, parking lots, restaurants and public lobbies (i.e. hotel).

Businesses that generate public waste must take the following measures to facilitate proper participation:

- Provide clear signage explaining Waste Watch guidelines;
- Provide clearly marked containers for each stream;
- Ensure containers are grouped sorting stations (recyclable, compost, waste) for easy disposal.

When disposing of public waste, you must assess the contents of each container when emptying. If the sort is good (90% properly sorted), place the bag in the proper dumpster/container. For compost, if using a plastic bag, empty the contents of the bag into the compost container then place the empty soiled bag into the waste container.

If the bag contains **MIXED** waste (more than 10% contamination due to improper sorting) identify the bag as public waste by writing the following on the bag prior to placing into the waste container:

***PW***

**The name of the business  
(or event if a community function)**

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**IMPORTANT:**

**Materials from controlled areas  
(i.e. business offices, kitchens, etc.)**

***MUST BE SOURCE SEPARATED.***

## Collection for Cottages

If you own three or more cottages, you have the option of receiving residential service or being considered commercial. Residential classification requires that you pay the seasonal amount per cottage and receive curbside collection for the months of June through September. Extended service is also available from mid-May to end-October by registering with IWMC.

If you opt for the commercial alternative, you are required either to make arrangements with a contractor or arrange independently to have your materials delivered to an approved disposal site. **Disposal fees will apply.** Whatever your choice, the materials **MUST BE SOURCE SEPARATED.**

Please ensure that cottage renters and visitors are provided with the Waste Watch Sorting Guide so they are able to properly participate in the program.

## WWDC LOCATIONS:

- West Prince** ..... Brockton, Rte #150, 2202 Dock Road
- East Prince** ..... East Prince Waste Management Facility,  
Wellington Centre, 29786 Rte #2
- Central Region** ..... New London, 10142 Rte #6
- Capital Region** ..... Charlottetown, 8 Superior Crescent
- Eastern Region** ..... Dingwells Mills, Rte #309, 100 Selkirk Rd.  
Murray River, Rte #18, 378 Cape Bear Rd.

*For hours of operation, please refer to IWMC's website or call Customer Service.*

## For More Information ...



[www.iwmc.pe.ca](http://www.iwmc.pe.ca)



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