

A MESSAGE FROM THE CEO

In Prince Edward Island it is the responsibility of every individual to manage the waste we create. Sorting matters and our efforts have made a real difference.

Since the launch of the Waste Watch Program, the Central Compost Facility has processed many tonnes of organic material to produce Category A compost for use on local agricultural crops, and by incinerating waste otherwise destined for the landfill, PEI Energy Systems has generated heating and cooling for our largest hospital, the university, provincial buildings, and private sector businesses in Charlottetown.

In the years preceding the Waste Watch Program, much of our waste was disposed of in unlined dump sites or burned

in a barrel – both practices we know today to be harmful to our planet.

Now that we know better, we do better (Maya Angelou). Every time you properly sort your waste materials and practice the 5Rs: refuse, reduce, reuse, repurpose, and recycle, you are contributing to a noble cause – helping to protect our environment for today and tomorrow.

IWMC is proud to be working with Islanders as we continue to grow and improve the Waste Watch Program. On behalf of the team at IWMC, I wish everyone a safe and enjoyable summer season. Thank you for your continued participation in this important program.

Karen MacDonald



Seasonal Reminders - Tips

As the summer season approaches, you may find an unpleasant odour along with insects in your compost cart. How can you avoid unwelcome smells and visitors?

- ✿ Drain excess moisture from food, place in empty boxboard containers, such as cereal boxes, or wrap meat items in scraps of paper. This will help absorb extra moisture.
- ✿ Keep carts in a shaded area when possible.
- ✿ Leave grass clippings on your lawn instead of raking them up (this is better for your lawn and the green cart).
- ✿ Place your cart out for every collection during warm months, even if it is not full.
- ✿ Wash your cart from time to time using mild detergent or a solution of vinegar and water.
- ✿ To help reduce odours and insects in your waste cart during warm months, consider rinsing non-recyclable food containers and shaking them dry before placing them in the black cart.



ARE YOU LIVING ON A PRIVATE LANE OR ROAD?



If so, the private lane or road must be properly maintained to allow the collection vehicle to have access.

A passable lane for collection vehicles is one that:

- ✿ is clear from obstructions that would impede passage of collection vehicle;
- ✿ has a suitable area for collection trucks to turn if it's a dead end;
- ✿ has smooth roads with adequate surface strength, to hold very heavy trucks;
- ✿ has a relatively dry surface.

If access is not possible, carts and recyclables must be placed at the nearest serviceable road for collection.

Unsure if your road is passable? Please contact IWMC so we can assess your lane or roadway. After a large amount of rain or snow, dirt roads may be impassable due to mud, and collection drivers will need to make an assessment on access at time of collection.

QUESTIONS FROM THE COMMUNITY

Jack from Charlottetown asks:

How do I place my cart and recyclables on collection days to ensure collection?

Answer: An excellent question! IWMC has guidelines on how to place your carts and recyclables curbside or roadside on collection days to help with efficient collection and ensure the safety of residents and collection drivers.

A few guidelines are as follows:

- ❖ Carts and recyclables need to be placed within 6 feet of the curb or road. The exception to this guideline is on snowy days, carts and recyclables can be placed within 18 feet of the curb or road to allow for snow removal.
- ❖ Carts and recyclables should also always be placed on the same side of the road as your house. Under no circumstances should the material be placed across the road.

- ❖ Ensuring carts and recyclables are accessible to the driver is the responsibility of the resident – this includes ensuring carts and recyclables are not buried in snow, are easily visible and are contained properly.

Need clarification on how to properly place your carts and recyclables? You can reach out to our customer service team by calling **1-888-280-8111**.



What If Your Monthly Recyclables Collection Isn't Enough?

Residential customers may drop off recyclables free of charge from 8 am to noon every Saturday at all Waste Watch Drop-Off Centers (WWDC's) across the province.


This includes:

- ♻️ Blue Bags
- ♻️ Flattened corrugated cardboard
- ♻️ Larger metal household items that don't fit into Blue Bag #2
- ♻️ Please remember guidelines apply – recyclables must be clean, dry and sorted into Blue Bag #1 and Blue Bag #2
- ♻️ Corrugated cardboard must be flattened
- ♻️ Recyclables taken to a WWDC at any other time are subject to a disposal fee based on weight.



WASTE WATCH DROP-OFF CENTERS (WWDCs)

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) accepted anytime site is open

REGION / ADDRESS	SUMMER	WINTER
WEST PRINCE: Brockton 2202 Dock Rd., Rte. 150	8 - 4:30 Mon, Wed, Fri 8 - 12:30 Sat	8 - 4:30 Mon, Wed, Fri 8 - 12:30 Sat
EAST PRINCE: East Prince Waste Management Facility Wellington Centre, 29786 Rte. 2	7 - 4:30 Mon - Fri 7 - 12:30 Sat	8 - 4:30 Mon - Fri 8 - 12:30 Sat
CENTRAL: New London 10142 Route 6	8 - 4:30 Mon, Tues, and Thurs 8 - 2 Sat	8 - 4:30 Tues and Thurs 8 - 12:30 Sat
CAPITAL: Greensle 8 Superior Cr., Charlottetown	7 - 5 Mon - Fri 7 - 2 Sat	 7 - 5 Mon - Fri 7 - 2 Sat
EASTERN: Dingwells Mills 100 Selkirk Road, Rte. 309	8 - 4:30 Mon, Wed, Fri 8 - 12:30 Sat	8 - 4:30 Mon, Wed, Fri 8 - 12:30 Sat
EASTERN: Murray River 378 Cape Bear Road, Rte. 18	8 - 4:30 Tues, Thurs and Sat	8 - 4:30 Tues, Thurs and Sat

For more information visit: iwmc.pe.ca/disposal-facilities

RECYCLE COACH APP

IWMC is pleased to offer Recycle Coach App –
Free for everyone!

Download on your mobile device for convenient access to collection schedules, sorting information, reminders, and notifications.



CONTACT INFORMATION

Additional sorting guides & calendars can be printed from our website or picked up at any town/city hall or Access PEI.



iwmc.pe.ca



1-888-280-8111

Une version française, également disponible.

SORTING GUIDE

Customer Service: 1-888-280-8111
 Sorting information: iwmc.pe.ca/sort

RECYCLABLES

BLUE BAG #1

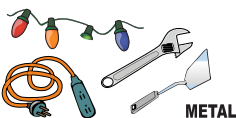


USE TRANSPARENT • Recyclables must be clean & dry.
BLUE BAGS ONLY! • Ensure blue bags are tied securely.

BLUE BAG #2



Plastics with symbols:



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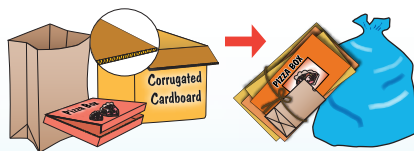


FOIL



EMPTY

PLACE THE ITEMS LISTED BELOW BESIDE YOUR BLUE BAGS



PAPER BAGS & CORRUGATED CARDBOARD
 (Collapsed & bundled)

LARGE METAL ITEMS

- ✓ bundle multiple items (tent poles, curtain rods, etc.)
- ✓ less than 4 ft & 50 lb
- ✓ dismantle large items
- ✗ no propane cylinders, tanks, or items containing ozone-depleting substances (e.g. Freon)



COMPOST



Food Waste (including bones & shells)



Food-Soiled Paper, Napkins, Paper Towels, Tissues, Paper Food Bags, Wrapping Paper (non-foil/glitter)



Coffee Grounds and Filters, Tea Bags, Yard & Garden Waste

NO BAG IS BEST!

If bags are necessary:

- ✓ Paper bags are preferred
- ✓ Film compostable bags must be identified by:



✗ DO NOT USE PLASTIC BAGS



**NO Plastic
 NO Metal
 NO Glass
 IN COMPOST CART**

WASTE



Non-Recyclable Plastics with no Symbols or Recycle Symbols & 6 & 7



NO BAG IS BEST!

If bags are necessary:

- ✓ Use clear, transparent plastic bags
- ✗ No blue bags
- ✗ No solid-coloured bags
- ✗ No paper bags



DO NOT USE solid-coloured bags

EXCESS MATERIALS:

When your cart is full, drivers will accept up to **TWO** open rigid containers, extra bags, or bulky items placed **BESIDE** the appropriate cart. If bags are used, paper bags must be used for **COMPOST**, and clear, transparent plastic bags for **WASTE**. *All excess items, including additional bags and containers placed beside carts must be under 50 lb and 4 ft.*

SPECIAL DISPOSAL

NOT COLLECTED
CURBSIDE AT ANY TIME

PROPANE TANKS

30 lb. or less: Propane tank exchange location or WWDC*

Over 30 lb.: Propane dealer
Cylinders: WWDC*

For businesses only cylinders are accepted at WWDC and disposal fee applies



LARGE BULKY FURNITURE

Items larger than 4 ft or heavier than 50 lb are accepted at WWDC* for **FREE**. *Businesses: disposal fee applies*



LARGE APPLIANCES

Bring to WWDC* for **FREE** disposal



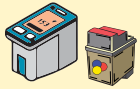
TIRES

Return to place of purchase or WWDC*. *Tires without rims are FREE*



PRINTER CARTRIDGES

Accepted at WWDC* for **FREE** and at most electronic retailers
Search *Printer Cartridges* at www.iwmc.pe.ca/sort for more information.



HAZARDOUS WASTE

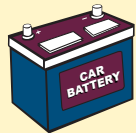
RESIDENTS: Bring to a WWDC* for **FREE** disposal - *Must be in sealed original container. Jerry cans and other containers must be left behind with contents.*

BUSINESSES: Businesses must dispose of hazardous material through a hazardous waste carrier. Visit www.iwmc.pe.ca/commercial for more information.

- fuel (gasoline, kerosene, etc.)
- pesticides, herbicides, insecticides
- silicone, caulking, adhesives
- items with mercury
- aerosol cans (with contents)
- pet medications
- cosmetics & personal care products
- cleaning products and more

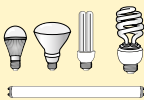


STEWARDSHIP PROGRAMS



AUTOMOTIVE LEAD ACID BATTERIES

Bring to WWDC* for **FREE** disposal. Also accepted at place of purchase and licensed bottle depots.



LIGHT BULBS

All types of bulbs removed from fixture are accepted for **FREE** at WWDC*. Call in advance for more than 16 bulbs. Visit www.productcare.org for drop-off locations and disposal instructions.

PRESCRIPTIONS, OVER-THE-COUNTER MEDICATIONS AND NATURAL HEALTH SUPPLEMENTS

RESIDENTS: Return to participating pharmacies. For disposal instructions & drop-off locations visit www.healthsteward.ca/returning-medications

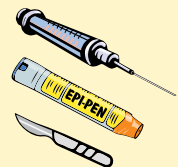
BUSINESSES: Search *Medication* at www.iwmc.pe.ca/sort



MEDICAL SHARPS (Needles, Syringes, Lancets, Epi-Pens)

RESIDENTS: Pick up free sharps container at participating pharmacies. When container is full, return to pharmacy. For disposal instructions & drop-off locations visit www.healthsteward.ca/returning-medical-sharps

BUSINESSES: Search *Medical Sharps* at www.iwmc.pe.ca/sort



AUTOMOTIVE FLUIDS (less than 50L container sizes)

Motor oil, oil filters and containers; automotive antifreeze and containers; aerosol cans for propelled lubricant and brake cleaner. Bring to WWDC* for **FREE** disposal or return to collection facilities listed at www.uoma-atlantic.com



PAINT, STAINS AND EMPTY CONTAINERS

Bring to WWDC* for **FREE** disposal, exceptions apply. Visit www.productcare.org for limits, guidelines and additional drop-off locations.



RECHARGEABLE AND NON-RECHARGEABLE BATTERIES

Accepted for **FREE** at WWDC*. Visit www.call2recycle.ca for disposal instructions and additional drop-off locations. *eMobility batteries are only accepted by participating retailers.*

AGRICULTURAL PLASTICS

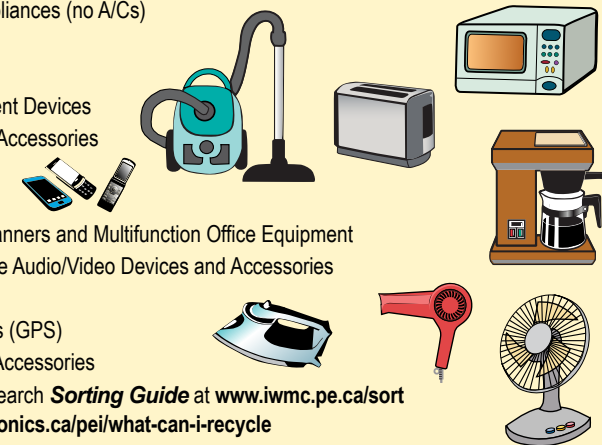
Agricultural plastics such as relatively clean and dry silage wrap and twine are received free at WWDC's. For a complete list of what to recycle and where, visit cleanfarms.ca



ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC PRODUCTS

Bring to WWDC* for **FREE** disposal. Call in advance when bringing more than 25 items. For additional drop-off locations visit www.recyclemyelectronics.ca/pei/where-can-i-recycle

- Portable Air-Treatment Appliances (no A/Cs)
- Countertop Appliances
- Personal Care Appliances
- Time & Weight Measurement Devices
- Computers and Computer Accessories
- Phones and Pagers
- TVs and Monitors
- Photocopiers, Printers, Scanners and Multifunction Office Equipment
- Portable, Home and Vehicle Audio/Video Devices and Accessories
- Electronic Readers
- Global Positioning Systems (GPS)
- Video Game Devices and Accessories



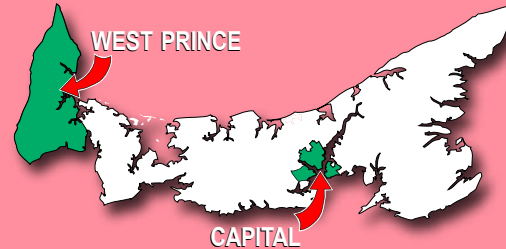
For a complete list of items, search *Sorting Guide* at www.iwmc.pe.ca/sort or visit www.recyclemyelectronics.ca/pei/what-can-i-recycle

*WWDC = WASTE WATCH DROP-OFF CENTER

2023 WASTE WATCH RESIDENTIAL COLLECTION CALENDAR



CAPITAL AND WEST PRINCE



Green Squares = **COMPOST DAY** Black Squares = **WASTE DAY**

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★ HOLIDAY ALTERNATE COLLECTIONS:

- Labour Day Sat., SEPT. 9
- Thanksgiving Day Sat., OCT. 14
- Christmas Day Sat., DEC. 30

COLLECTION SUSPENSION FOR EXCESS YARD & GARDEN DEBRIS:

From October 10 until Fall Cleanup is complete.

FALL CLEANUP:

Place material curbside by 7 a.m. on:

- 🌿 Yard Debris Mon., NOV. 6
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Not necessarily collected on cart day.

🏠 COTTAGE COLLECTION: MAY 29 - SEPTEMBER 29

Extended service available until October 27. (A fee will apply).
Contact IWMC to register.

STORM DAY INFORMATION:

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- 📱 at IWMC PEI



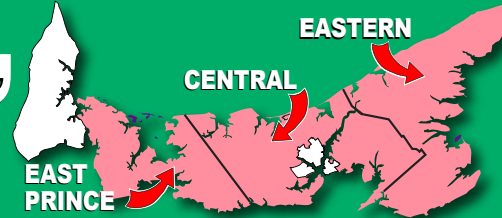
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EASTERN, CENTRAL, AND EAST PRINCE



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