

Transfer Station News & Notes

Tipping Fees to Increase by 4% for 2010 - Please be advised that in January 2010 the tipping fees charged at the MCMUA transfer stations will increase by 4%. The current tipping fee of \$86.90/ton for the disposal of most waste types will be increased to \$90.38/ton. Likewise, the tipping fee for special waste types (type 10C non-regulated medical waste and type 27 non-hazardous industrial waste) will also be increased by 4% from the current tipping fee of \$115.50/ton to \$120.12/ton. See the tipping fee chart below for details.

Waste Type	Current Tipping Fee	New Tipping Fee <i>(Effective Jan. 1, 2010)</i>
Type 10 Municipal Solid Waste	\$ 86.90	\$ 90.38
Type 10C Non-Regulated Medical Waste	\$115.50	\$120.12
Type 13 Bulky Waste	\$ 86.90	\$ 90.38
Type 13C Construction and Demolition Waste	\$ 86.90	\$ 90.38
Type 23 Vegetative Waste	\$ 86.90	\$ 90.38
Type 25 Animal Processing Waste	\$ 86.90	\$ 90.38
Type 27 Non-Hazardous Dry Industrial Waste	\$115.50	\$120.12

While the MCMUA regrets having to increase the tipping fee, it should be noted that the last tipping fee increase instituted by and for the MCMUA was in February 2007 when the price was increased to \$83.90/ton. Later, in April 2008 the State of New Jersey added a \$3.00/ton recycling tax onto the tipping fee resulting in the price increase to the current \$86.90/ton. Finally, the MCMUA is facing increased contractor and disposal costs associated with operating the transfer stations, and the MCMUA is undertaking a capital improvement program to keep the transfer stations safe and efficient.

Recycling is Mandatory for Specific Materials



Morris County has designated specific materials to be source separated and recycled. This mandate applies to all Morris County waste generators including residents, businesses, schools, institutions, construction sites, etc. A listing of these mandated recyclable materials is provided in the sidebar on the right, but please note that this listing is a generalized listing. Specific definitions of these materials and any exceptions that may apply are available on the MCMUA website at: <http://mcmua.com/recycling>.

Please realize that Morris County's source separation recycling mandate is nothing new, as these materials have been mandated to be recycled since 1993. Disposing of designated recyclable materials in the trash is not acceptable and is illegal in Morris County. The MCMUA has been advised that the Morris County Office of Health Management will be inspecting loads and issuing fines for disposing of designated recyclables at the transfer stations.

Materials Mandated to be Source Separated and Recycled

- Aluminum Cans
- Glass Bottles and Jars
- Plastic Bottles (coded 1 and 2)
- Steel (Tin) Cans
- Newspaper
- Corrugated Cardboard
- Mixed Paper
- Leaves
- Grass Clippings
- Brush
- Natural Wood Waste
- Oil-Contaminated Soil
- Used Motor Oil
- Lead-Acid Batteries
- Hazardous Dry Cell Batteries
- Metal Appliances
- Whole Tires



2009 and 2010 Transfer Station and Office Holiday Schedule - Below is the remainder of the 2009 holiday list and the 2010 holiday list of date when the MCMUA transfer stations and/or MCMUA administrative offices will be open or closed.

Holiday	Transfer Stations	MCMUA Offices
2009 (remaining)		
Monday, October 12, 2009 - Columbus Day	Open	Closed
Tuesday, November 3, 2009 - Election Day	Open	Closed
Wednesday, November 11, 2009 – Veterans Day	Open	Closed
Thursday, November 26, 2009 - Thanksgiving Day	Closed	Closed
Friday, November 27, 2009 - Day After Thanksgiving.....	Open	Closed
Friday, December 25, 2009 - Christmas	Closed	Closed
2010		
Friday, January 1, 2010 - New Year's Day	Closed	Closed
Monday, January 18, 2010 – Martin Luther King Jr. Day	Open	Closed
Friday, February 12, 2010 – Lincoln's Birthday	Open	Closed
Monday, February 15, 2010 – Presidents' Day	Open	Closed
Friday, April 2, 2010 – Good Friday.....	Open	Closed
Monday, May 31, 2010 – Memorial Day	Closed	Closed
Monday, July 5, 2010 – Independence Day	Closed	Closed
Monday, September 6, 2010 – Labor Day.....	Closed	Closed
Monday, October 11, 2010 - Columbus Day	Open	Closed
Tuesday, November 2, 2010 - Election Day	Open	Closed
Thursday, November 11, 2010 - Veteran's Day	Open	Closed
Thursday, November 25, 2010 - Thanksgiving Day	Closed	Closed
Friday, November 26, 2010 - Day After Thanksgiving.....	Open	Closed
Friday, December 24, 2010 – Christmas Vacation Day	Open	Closed
Saturday, December 25, 2010 – Christmas Day	Closed	Closed
Friday, December 31, 2010 – New Year's Vacation Day	Open	Closed

Morris Habitat for Humanity ReStore Provides Alternative to Disposal of Various Items



Contractors / Developers / Home Improvers: Did you know that the Morris Habitat ReStore has kept dozens of beautiful kitchens out of the landfill, saving on contractors' and home owners' disposal bills? Donations of these cabinets and countertops, results in further savings by enabling the donor to receive a tax deduction for the value of the items donated. If you are working on a remodeling project, consider donating to and shopping at the ReStore. The ReStore accepts donations of and sells the following items:

- Appliances
- Architectural Items
- Home Improvement Books
- Cabinets
- Doors
- Electrical Wiring
- Flooring Materials
- Furniture
- Hardware
- Insulation
- Lawn and Garden Supplies
- Lighting Fixtures
- Lumber
- Masonry
- Framed Mirrors and Pictures
- Latex Paint and Supplies
- Plumbing Fixtures and Hardware
- Roofing Materials
- Sheetrock
- Siding
- Tools
- Wall Coverings
- Windows and Screens







For more information, visit www.morrisrestore.org or call (973) 366-3357 or 3358. The ReStore is located at 102 Iron Mountain in Mine Hill off Route 46 and is open Wednesday through Saturday from 10am to 4pm and on Thursday until 8pm. Pickup of donations may be available.

Please note that all donated items must be pre-approved for donation and must be new or very gently used.

Dry-Cell Battery Management Evolves – It Will Be as Easy as “1-2-3”

At the beginning of 2010, new U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) regulations about the management of dry-cell batteries throughout the United States will go in effect. Because dry-cell batteries can short circuit and catch fire while being transported, the DOT will require enclosing each hazardous dry-cell battery in a plastic bag to cover its terminals prior to transport.

Figuring out how to manage batteries under this new regulation can be as easy as “1-2-3.” **One (1)**, throw alkaline (non-hazardous and use-once) dry-cell batteries into the trash; **two (2)**, recycle rechargeable batteries using Call2Recycle® drop-off boxes; and **three (3)**, take all other types of batteries to a household hazardous waste disposal program where they will be properly bagged and managed as hazardous waste. Additional details about proper battery management can found below.

<p style="text-align: center;">1</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Alkaline Batteries (non-hazardous and use-once) Throw in the Garbage</p>  <p style="text-align: center;">↓</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;">2</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Rechargeable Batteries (hazardous and multi-use) Recycle with Call2Recycle®</p>  <p style="text-align: center;">↓</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;">3</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Other Batteries (hazardous and use-once) Take to Household Hazardous Waste Program</p>  <p style="text-align: center;">↓</p> 
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Dry-Cell Battery Management Evolves – It Will Be as Easy as “1-2-3” (Continued)

1. Alkaline Batteries - Use-once alkaline batteries such as AAA, AA, C, D and 9-volt batteries produced by manufacturers like Energizer and Duracell as well as less common and/or generic manufacturers now fall below Federal and state hazardous waste standards and can and should be thrown out in the ordinary garbage. These non-hazardous batteries do not need to be individually bagged prior to throwing into the garbage. It is that easy and accounts for the majority of batteries discarded. The MCMUA will stop accepting batteries for recycling from Morris County municipalities beginning in November 2009.

2. Rechargeable Batteries - The Rechargeable Battery Recycling Corporation (RBRC) operates Call2Recycle®, a free rechargeable battery recycling program. Call2Recycle® sets up retailers and public agencies as rechargeable battery drop-off locations at no cost to the participant. Currently, Home Depot, Radio Shack, Lowe’s and Verizon Wireless all participate in the Call2Recycle® program at all their retail locations. These locations are provided with a drop-off box with small plastic bags so the batteries can be individually bagged in accordance with the new DOT regulations. The RBRC pays all the costs associated with providing drop-off boxes, including transportation and recycling. Call **1-877-2-RECYCLE** or use their website at <http://www.call2recycle.org> to find the closest public drop-off point.

Additionally, Call2Recycle® will provide free-of-charge drop-off boxes to any non-residential entity for the collection and recycling of their own rechargeable batteries. All one has to do is sign up online at <http://www.call2recycle.org>. Retailers and community recycling centers open to the public will be listed on the Call2Recycle® zip code locator and toll-free help-lines to encourage residents to recycle. Additionally, public agencies and businesses can still participate in the Call2Recycle® program without being advertised as a public drop-off location if they do not want to listed as such. Since everything is free of charge, the MCMUA is encouraging every business and/or public agency to request a drop-off box for its office or work site.

Batteries covered under the Call2Recycle program include:

- Nickel Cadmium (Ni-Cd)
- Nickel Metal Hydride (Ni-MH)
- Lithium Ion (Li-ion)
- Nickel Zinc (Ni-Zn)
- Small Sealed Lead - less than 11 lbs (Pb)



Rechargeable batteries are found in cordless power tools, cellular and cordless phones, laptop computers, digital cameras, two-way radios, camcorders, and remote control toys. Rechargeable batteries sometimes look like regular alkaline batteries. The label on the battery will indicate if it is rechargeable. Note that cell phones can also be collected through the Call2Recycle® program.

3. Other Batteries - Most button cell batteries still contain mercury and should be taken to a household hazardous waste program for proper management. Lead-acid car and boat batteries (over 11 lbs) should also be taken to a household hazardous waste program. Information about Morris County’s household hazardous waste programs can be found at the MCMUA website at <http://mcmua.com/hazardouswaste/index.htm> or by calling **973-829-8006**.