

Southbridge Solid Waste Toter Policy

- 1.) All trash must be contained in the appropriate containers. No loose bags will be allowed curbside or on the property for storage.
- 2.) Trash for collection shall be placed in tied plastic bags and not to weigh more than fifty (50) pounds in total when placed in the provided toter. The Town reserves the right to limit the number of bags of solid waste to only what fits inside the 64 gallon toter with the lid completely closed. If you have a special event and have extra trash you may bring it to our Residence Convenience Drop-Off held every Saturday from 7am till 12:00pm (Noon) at the Southbridge Landfill, 165 Barefoot Rd. You must provide proof of residence or ownership in the Town of Southbridge if you use the Residence Convenience Drop-Off.
- 3.) The solid waste toter is the property of the Town of Southbridge and it is not to be removed from the property it is assigned to without prior written authorization of the Health Department.
- 4.) If your solid waste or recycling toter is stolen please report to Southbridge Police Department and call our office. You will have to put a deposit (refundable if you no longer require it) on a new toter at cost from the Health Department for replacement.
- 5.) Collection is limited to residential solid waste from single family and multi-family dwellings, not exceeding (6) dwelling units.
- 6.) Recycling is mandated by town by-law 10-201 and state regulation 310 CMR 19.00. Our curbside collection company Casella has supplied each residence of a single family or multi-family dwelling (up to 6 dwelling units) with a 96 gallon for these purposes. If you require a recycling toter one will be delivered to you.
- 7.) Trash collection shall be made once a week at each dwelling unit on a designated day. Recycling collection shall be made every other week at each dwelling unit on the same designated day as the trash collection. Toters for trash and recycling must be at the curb by 7:00 a.m. on the day of collection. A recycling calendar can be found at thinkreduce.com or our office.
- 8.) Trash and recycling should not be placed at the curb more than 12 hours before and must be removed from the curb 12 hours after your scheduled pickup day. If for some reason your trash or recycling was not picked up and is still at the curb please call the Board of Health office immediately.
- 9.) No oil based paint, electronics, TV's, lead, mercury containing items, florescent bulbs, yard waste, motor oil or other waste ban items are to be placed in either the 64 gallon trash toter or recycling toter(s) provided for you. Please visit thinkreduce.com if you are unsure if your item(s) can go in either container.
- 10.) NO HAZARDOUS WASTE is to be placed in either the trash or recycling toter provided for your use. Southbridge has a Household Hazardous Waste day. They are held quarterly at the Southbridge Landfill in the months of March, June, September and December. Please visit thinkreduce.com for dates and times.
- 11.) Solid waste or recycling in violation of any of the regulations shall not be collected.
- 12.) Solid waste will not be collected from inside houses, garages, or any other enclosures.
- 13.) Solid Waste and recycling toters are to be stored on the property they are serving and in such a manner that they are not causing a nuisance.
NOT AT THE CURB EXCEPT DURING THE TIME ALLOWED BY LAW
- 14.) An owner is responsible for maintaining and securing their toters. We encourage owners that receive these toters stencil their toter in a neat manner with the street number and street address in permanent white paint.
- 15.) If the property is being transferred or sold, please provide the Health Department with contact information for new owners within 10 days of the sale/transfer. If returning the toter, we require it to be clean or there will be a fee for a dirty toter.
- 16.) At this time (September 2014) the current citation for trash violations starts at \$250 per a violation. This is subject to change.
- 17.) Toter delivery is available free of charge for your first toter.

These regulations are subject to change and any amendments will be made available via:

thinkreduce.com, southbridgemass.org, Notice posted on the Town of Southbridge access channel, emailed to the property owners or agents