

## Raymond Residential Curbside Trash & Recycling Frequently Asked Questions

### **What is the history of the residential curbside trash & recycling program known as Pay as You Throw (PAYT)?**

In March of 2004 Warrant article # 17 to establish a PAYT program was defeated YES 462 NO 1017. On August 16, 2005 there was a Special Town meeting held that debated the adoption of the Solid Waste Ordinance. On September 20, 2005 by a vote of YES 353\* NO 166 the town adopted the ordinance.

In 2017 Voters approved a warrant article that restricted the funding of the Curbside Trash & Recycling Pick up and Disposal to revenues generated by the sale of Town Trash Bags. No funds for curbside trash & recycling pick ups come from property taxes.

### **Why can't we just use bags we purchase from the store?**

A portion of the retail price of the bag pays the costs of residential curbside trash & recycling pick up and disposal. Without the revenue from the bags there would be no funds to pay for the program.

**Can we use a private vendor for curbside pick up.** - Yes you can.

**Can we put out just recycling?** - NO.

In order for you to have your recyclables picked up curbside you must use one or more of the town bags on occasion. The revenue from these bags pays for the curbside pick up.

**Is there a limit to the number of town trash bags we can put out per week?** No

**What is the weight limit of the town trash bags?**

Please note that bags placed at the curb for pickup must not exceed 25 pounds in weight or they will not be picked up.

**Is there a limit to the number of allowed recyclables we can put out each week?** No

**What can be recycled?**

Plastics (#1,2 & 5), glass bottles, aluminum, tin and paper and cardboard. Cardboard must be broken down, to no larger than 2' x 2'. Recycling is single stream, meaning all items can be placed into the same bin for collection. Bins can be purchased at the Public Works Department for \$10.50. Visit [https://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/e2e37e\\_388b18aedb58427e8abc71a8de3ff545.pdf](https://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/e2e37e_388b18aedb58427e8abc71a8de3ff545.pdf) for a poster on what is recyclable and what is not.

**What are the holidays that have a delay in trash & recycling pick up?**

Please visit <https://www.raymondnh.gov/public-works> for an up to date list.

**How can I find out what day of the week my trash & recycling is normally picked up?**

Please visit the town web site at <https://www.raymondnh.gov/public-works> for a list of streets by day.

**What is the Transfer Station on Prescott Road for?**

The Transfer station (Operated by Casella Systems) is used for the disposal of demolition materials. They are not license for household Trash. Recyclables may be dropped off there for free.

**What is the cost for Raymond residents to use the Transfer Station?**

Most bulk items have individual prices, but general construction materials, roofing, and bulky waste is \$.075 per pound.

**What is allowed at the Transfer Station?**

Visit <https://www.raymondnh.gov/public-works> for a list of materials accepted at the Transfer station. Garbage is NOT allowed.