

The Township of Terrace Bay is undertaking significant changes to our garbage collection system. It is a progressive step forward for our small town in becoming more environmentally friendly and is based on similar programs by other Towns that have been proven to be successful.

WHY ARE WE DOING THIS – it will move our community forward in its green efforts towards recycling. It promotes fairness by making all users pay for the amount they dispose of. It allows users to decrease what they pay by recycling and diverting more. Ultimately, it will extend the life expectancy of the Terrace Bay Landfill.

**GARBAGE TAGS** – as part of the Moving Forward Plan and 2014 Budget, a Pay As You Throw system will be implemented for garbage collection. A garbage tag costing \$2 will need to be purchased from the Municipal Office or participating retail stores. The tag needs to be attached inside each approved container at the top of the garbage, easily visible to collection staff. For non-residential users, a timed system of pickup will be offered.



**APPROVED GARBAGE CONTAINERS** – for the system to work efficiently, a consistent garbage container must be used and garbage outside a container will not be collected. An approved container means any container constructed of metals or plastic with a tight fitting lid, carrying handles & capable of being sanitized. Approved containers will have a maximum volume of 121 litres and a maximum weight of 40lbs.

Any 121L container and less than 121L is allowed



**GRACE PERIODS** – since this is a significant change, the following will apply:

- 1. Oversized cans and homemade bins will only be allowed until January 1, 2015. During this grace period, <u>each item</u> inside oversized homemade bins requires a tag
- 2. Garbage outside containers will be allowed at curb until January 1, 2015, thereafter only inside approved containers of 121L or less. During this grace period, <u>each item</u> outside a container requires a garbage tag.

#### PUBLIC FORUM ON THE NEW GARBAGE & RECYCLING SYSTEM Tuesday June 17, 6:30pm, Recreation Centre (Activity Room)

**RECYCLING SYSTEM** – a free recycling depot will be available for drop-off at the Terrace Bay Landfill during normal operating hours. Residents and businesses are asked to bring materials following the rules of the system with containers or paper products in clear transparent bags or for cardboard flattened and bundled. Materials will be shown to the attendant to inspect for compliance with program rules and then the attendant will pack inside the depot trailers.



Mockup of Recycling Trailer at Landfill

#### **RECYCLING STEPS**

Containers

- **Collect & sort eligible recyclables**
- Prepare them in bags (containers/paper) or bundled (cardboard)
- Bring to the landfill for staff inspection
- Staff will deposit & pack in trailers for transport to Recool Canada in Thunder Bay

Paper

1 – Containers, 2 – Paper, 3 - Cardboard

Cardboard



Setup a recycling system in your home, one for containers, one for paper products and one for loose cardboard

#### LITTERING AND MISUSE OF PUBLIC GARBAGE CONTAINERS

Dumping garbage in the bush, misuse of public containers or property will not be tolerated and fines will be enforced up to a maximum of \$5,000.



## Please help us keep our Town clean and support this plan!

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# Recycling is Easy as 1, 2, 3

**Recycling is only available at the Landfill, it will not be picked up at the Curb!** More information, download **Terrace Bay Green Guide** – <u>www.terracebay.ca</u>



1. CONTAINERS (to be clean, do not crush cans, and contained within a clear bag)

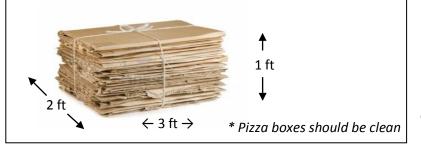
- Pop Cans Metal Cans (lids inside) Aluminum foil wrap & trays (clean, crumpled)
- Milk Cartons & Gable Tops (flatten) Juice Boxes (flatten, no straws)
- Plastic Bottles with necks  $A_{\text{PFF}} \otimes A_{\text{HOPF}}$  (look for symbols on bottom of bottle)



2. PAPER PRODUCTS (to be flattened, dry and contained within a clear bag) • Newspaper • Flyers • Junk Mail • Magazines • Soft Cover Books • Fine Paper • Paper Egg Cartons • Boxboard (Cereal Boxes)



**3. CARDBOARD** (to be dry, flattened & bundled with string/twine to a maximum size of 3 ft x 2ft x 1ft)



Containers & Paper Products Need to Be in Separate Clear, Transparent Bags



Containers

Paper

## WHAT WE **CANNOT** RECYCLE! (Place in the garbage)

- Yogurt containers, sour cream containers, any kind of plastic bags, straws, lids, strawberry clamshell containers, tupperwear, styrofoam, glass, aerosol & more



- Why not all plastics? Only #1 & #2 plastics (with necks) are allowed within Recool's system
- Why not glass? It is very heavy and not economical to transport great distances
- Why should we rinse containers? This will reduce attracting bugs and animals while stored
- Why transparent bags? They are required to ensure proper packing within the recycling trailers and not transport wasted space which would increase costs.

## HOW ELSE CAN I PUT OUT LESS GARBAGE? www.terracebay.ca

IT STARTS 1) REDUCING - buy less and buy durable items that last longer
WITH 2) REUSING - before you throw items out, think about how to reuse and consider a yard sale or posting items for sale online

