

**RECYCLING AND USE OF THE CAMPTON/THORNTON
TRANSFER STATION ORDINANCE**

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of the facility is to provide for proper disposal of solid wastes and recyclable materials generated by the residents and property owners of the Towns of Thornton, Campton, and Ellsworth. Proper regulation for use of the facility is necessary to control costs, assure proper and efficient utilization, establish efficient management procedures, and to prevent groundwater contamination and air pollution.

II. WASTE DISPOSAL

Dumping of solid waste anywhere within the Towns of Thornton, Campton, and Ellsworth except at the Transfer/Recycling Center is prohibited pursuant to RSA 149-M. (RSA 149-M requires a solid waste facility permit from the state for disposing of any solid waste).

III. DEFINITIONS/RESPONSIBILITIES

- A. Acceptable and Non-Acceptable materials as defined in this Ordinance.
- B. Business User means any person whose use of the facility is related to a business located within the Towns, e.g., gas stations, restaurants, retail stores, condominium developments, hotels/motels, manufacturing facilities, campgrounds, construction companies and other enterprises of a similar nature.
- C. Commercial Trash Hauler means any person or entity that collects acceptable household waste material for a fee or other compensation.
- D. Contractor is a firm or individual that provides independent, professional services in the construction industry.
- E. Dump truck means a truck with an open bed which can be lifted to dump its cargo.
- F. Facility means the transfer/recycling facility located in the Town of Thornton, including additions and modifications that may be added for disposal of solid waste or other purposes. The Town of Thornton is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the facility.
- G. Home Occupation means operation within the Towns of a business, office, or shop for the in-house manufacture and/or sale of products such as jewelry, pottery, or similarly small objects; or use by an attorney, doctor, realtor, or other professional or service provider; or use by an electrician, plumber, or similar tradesmen.
- H. Long-term rental means the provision of a room or space that is suitable or intended for occupancy for dwelling, sleeping, or lodging purposes, for a period more than 30 days, in exchange for a charge for the occupancy.
- I. Non-Towns Waste means waste generated outside the limits of the Towns of Thornton, Campton, and Ellsworth.
- J. Ordinance means the Recycling and Use of the Campton/Thornton Transfer Station Ordinance.
- K. Proof of eligibility means the documentation required to demonstrate eligibility to use the Transfer Station.
- L. Property owners of the Towns mean residents and non-resident taxpayers of the Towns of Thornton, Campton, and Ellsworth.

- M. Selectmen means the Boards of Selectmen of Thornton, Campton and Ellsworth or their designated agents.
- N. Towns mean the Towns of Thornton, Campton, and Ellsworth.
- O. All other terms shall have their ordinary meaning.

IV. FACILITY RULES AND REGULATIONS

Use of the facility shall be subject to the rules and regulations as set forth in this ordinance.

- A. The Campton/Thornton Transfer Station is a MANDATORY recycling facility. Currently accepted recyclable materials are posted at the facility and on the Towns websites.
All recyclable materials shall be placed in the designated containers or locations as directed by the Transfer Station attendants.
- B. Materials that are unacceptable as posted at the facility and on the Towns', websites shall not be brought to or deposited at the facility (Appendix A).
- C. All trash placed in the compactor must be in bags.
- D. **Effective January 1, 2022**, all trash placed in the compactor must be in clear (any size) or white kitchen bags (no larger than 20 gallons) to enable the attendants the ability to monitor that mandatory recyclable materials are not being added to the waste stream.
- E. Only persons with a Recycling/Transfer Permit may use the facility. Permits shall be issued to resident and non-resident taxpayers in the Towns, and long-term renters residing in the Towns.
 - 1. Permits shall be in the form of stickers, i.e., decals of distinctive color and number issued by the Towns to persons entitled to use the facility.
 - 2. Transfer/Recycling permits shall be distributed one per each vehicle per household and shall be issued upon presentation of proof of eligibility as listed in Appendix B.
 - 3. Assigned Transfer/Recycling permits shall be permanently attached to the right-hand side of the windshield
 - 4. Transfer/Recycling permits may be obtained during normal business hours at the Transfer Station or at the Towns of Thornton, Campton, and Ellsworth Town Offices upon presentation of the vehicle registration and proof of residency.
 - 5. **Effective January 1, 2022**, contractor permits are available to contractors for a non-refundable fee for each project/job. This permit is valid only for waste generated within the Towns of Thornton, Campton and Ellsworth and is valid for a period of thirty days (30) from the date of issue.

Permits are available for purchase at the Town Office where the property is located, during normal business hours. Permits cannot be purchased at the Transfer Station. Said permit must be presented to the Transfer Station Attendant, showing where the materials originated and the approximate volume of materials. All permit holders are still responsible for any fees associated with the materials being disposed of. No contractor construction materials will be accepted on weekends.

Effective January 1, 2023, contractors will no longer be permitted to use the Campton/Thornton Transfer Station.

6. **Effective January 1, 2022**, commercial trash haulers must purchase either a six-month or twelve-month permit to use the facility. Permits are available for purchase at the Town Offices of Thornton, Campton, or Ellsworth during normal business hours. The fee is non-refundable. Permits cannot be purchased at the Transfer Station.

Commercial trash haulers shall be required to recycle all currently accepted recyclable materials and must use clear or white kitchen bags as outlined in this ordinance. All trash must be from residential properties located in Campton, Thornton, or Ellsworth. Commercial trash haulers will be required to provide a complete list of all customers to the facility manager upon the issuance of a permit and shall provide an updated list on a quarterly basis or upon request of the facility manager. Trash from commercial haulers will not be accepted on weekends.

7. **Effective January 1, 2022**, business users may purchase an annual permit to use the facility. Permits are available for purchase at the Town Office in the town where the business is located, during normal business hours. The fee is non-refundable. Permits cannot be purchased at the Transfer Station. Operators of home occupations as defined in this ordinance are exempt from this permit requirement.

Effective January 1, 2023, business waste will no longer be accepted at the facility.

8. **Non-Residential Family Permit(s)**: Property owners, specifically non-residential property owners, will be allowed to obtain additional transfer station stickers for **immediate family members** that may share in the regular use of a family-owned property. This permit can be obtained at the Town Office, where the property is located, during normal business hours. The property owner will need to apply in writing, notarized signature required, to obtain said permit.

- F. Children under 12 years of age must always remain in the vehicle while on Transfer Station property.
- G. Only two-axle (front and rear) dump trucks classified as half-ton, three-quarter ton, or one-ton trucks may use the facility.
- H. Fees shall be charged for items deposited at the facility that require special handling. The current fee schedule can be found at all three Town Halls, on the Towns' websites and at the facility. The Thornton Board of Selectmen shall review and amend the fee schedule, as necessary. Acceptable methods of payment are check, money order or punch cards. Punch cards can be obtained at the Campton, Thornton, or Ellsworth Town Offices during normal business hours. Punch cards cannot be purchased at the Transfer Station.
- I. Anyone using the facility shall observe the posted rules and regulations and must comply with the directions of the attendants.
- J. All vehicles and drivers entering the facility do so at their own risk and are liable for all damages that they may cause the facility or personnel.

V. **HOURS OF OPERATION**

- A. The current hours of operation can be found at all three Town Halls, on the Towns' websites and at the facility.

- B. The Selectmen of the Town of Thornton have the authority to change the hours of operation as they deem appropriate after consultation with the Towns of Campton and Ellsworth.
- C. Dumping at other than posted times shall be a violation of these regulations. Any person leaving trash at the facility at any time other than the hours of operation will be prosecuted for littering and/or trespassing.

VI. OPERATION OF THE FACILITY

- A. **AUTHORITY OF THE FACILITY MANAGER.** The Facility Manager or his designee have the right to refuse use of the facility to anyone who is misusing the facility, is violating these regulations or does not have a current and proper permit attached to their vehicle.
- B. **BURNING.** No unauthorized on-site burning is allowed.
- D. **SECURITY.** The facility shall always be secured when not open for public access under Section V. No person may enter the facility when it is closed except by permission of the Thornton Board of Selectmen or the Facility Manager.

VII. VIOLATIONS, FINES AND ASSESSMENTS

In accordance with RSA 149-M:17, II (b) any person or group who violates the provisions of this Ordinance shall be subject to a fine of \$100 for the first offense, \$200 for a second offense and \$500 for a third offense with the suspension and/or termination of access to the facility.

APPENDIX A

MATERIALS NOT ACCEPTED AT THE TRANSFER STATION

Hazardous Materials:

Oil based paint and stains
Gasoline and Diesel fuel
Pesticides and Herbicides
Paint Thinner
Polyurethane
Antifreeze
Oven Cleaners
Aerosol Sprays
Pool Chemicals
Driveway Sealers
Spray Paints
Adhesives and Glue
Household Cleaners
Drain Cleaners

Other items:

Lead based painted construction materials
Creosote treated wood
Automobiles
Campers
Fiberglass boats
Anything with a DOT VIN number
No propane tanks over 60 lbs.

These items can be disposed of during Hazardous Materials Day in Plymouth and Littleton on the designated dates.

APPENDIX B

DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS FOR ELIGIBILITY TO USE TRANSFER STATION

TS USER GROUP	REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION	ADDITIONAL INFO
Resident Taxpayer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vehicle Registration showing physical or mailing address • Legal form of ID such as driver’s license, passport, non-driver’s ID, etc. 	
Non-Resident Taxpayer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vehicle Registration for vehicle to which sticker will be affixed • Tax or utility bill that has name and physical address on the document • Legal form of ID such as driver’s license, passport, non-driver’s ID, etc. 	
Non-Residential Family Permit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Signed, notarized Non-Residential Family Permit Form completed by the property owner. • Vehicle Registration for vehicle to which the sticker will be affixed. • Legal form of ID such as driver’s license, passport, non-driver’s ID, etc. 	
Long-term Renter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Copy of lease for a period of more than 30 days • Vehicle Registration for vehicle to which sticker will be affixed • Legal form of ID such as driver’s license, passport, non-driver’s ID, etc. 	
Business User	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vehicle Registration for vehicle to which sticker will be affixed • Tax or utility bill that has name and physical address of the business on the document • Legal form of ID such as driver’s license, passport, non-driver’s ID, etc. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subject to a non-refundable annual sticker fee • Home occupations are considered resident taxpayers • Business users and home occupations must comply with all provisions of this ordinance • Effective January 1, 2023 - no longer eligible to use facility.

<p>Commercial Trash Hauler</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vehicle Registration for vehicle to which sticker will be affixed • Tax or utility bill that has name and physical address of the business on the document • Legal form of ID such as driver’s license, passport, non-driver’s ID, etc. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subject to a non-refundable permit fee. • This permit is valid only for waste collected within the Towns. • Commercial trash haulers must comply with all provisions of this ordinance • Trash from commercial haulers will not be accepted on weekends.
<p>Contractor</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legal form of ID such as driver’s license, passport, non-driver’s ID, etc. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subject to a non-refundable temporary permit fee for each job/location • Permit is valid for 30 days and is only for waste generated within the Towns • Contractors must comply with all provisions of this ordinance • Construction debris and trash from contractors will not be accepted on weekends • Effective January 1, 2023 - no longer eligible to use the facility.

**TRANSFER STATION
CURRENT HOURS OF OPERATION**

Saturday	Open	8:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Sunday	CLOSED	
Monday	CLOSED	
Tuesday	Open	10:00AM - 6:00 PM
Wednesday	Open	10:00AM - 6:00 PM
Thursday	Open	10:00AM - 6:00 PM
Friday	CLOSED	

This is included for informational purposes only and is not part of the Proposed Ordinance.

CURRENT FEE SCHEDULE
(Effective September 12, 2018)

TIRES

Automobile	\$ 5.00
Truck/SUV	\$10.00
Industrial	\$20.00

APPLIANCES

Without Freon:	\$ 5.00
<i>Washer, Dryer, Stove, Water Heater, Microwave</i>	
With Freon:	\$15.00
<i>Air Conditioners, Dehumidifiers, Refrigerators</i>	

MATTRESSES ETC

All box springs & stuffed chairs	\$ 5.00
All Mattresses	\$10.00

CARPETS

Smaller than 10' x 10'	\$10.00
Larger than 10' x 10'	\$15.00

FURNITURE/FIXTURES

Sofa Beds	\$15.00
Couches	\$10.00
Toilets	\$ 5.00
Misc. Wood Furniture (Per Piece)	\$ 5.00

ELECTRONICS

TV's & Monitors	
All Monitors	\$ 5.00
Less than 25" TV	\$10.00
25" – 50" TV	\$20.00
51" or larger TV & Consoles	\$40.00
Misc. Electronics	\$15.00

CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS

Misc. Debris (up to 5 pieces)	\$ 5.00
Car trunk or Small SUV	\$15.00
SUV	\$30.00
PU truck MINIMUM load (short bed)	\$15.00
PU truck HALF load (short bed)	\$30.00
PU truck FULL load (short bed)	\$45.00
PU truck MINIMUM load (long bed)	\$25.00
PU truck HALF load (long bed)	\$40.00
PU truck FULL load (long bed)	\$55.00
Dump truck MINIMUM load	\$25.00
Dump truck HALF load	\$50.00
Dump truck FULL load	\$75.00
Single axle trailer	\$55.00
Double axle trailer	\$75.00
Shingles (max 10 sq.)	\$24.00/square

PROPANE TANKS

20 lbs.	\$ 5.00
60 lbs.	\$20.00

PROPOSED TRANSFER STATION PERMIT FEES

(Effective January 1, 2022)

Business	
Annual Permit	\$1,000
Commercial Trash Hauler	
Six Month Permit	\$ 500
Twelve Month Permit	\$1,000
Contractor	
Per Project/Job	\$ 500

(See TS Proposed Ordinance)