



## **Darien Refuse Station Accepts the Following Items for Recycling \***

**Comingle these glass, metal & plastic items:** All items to be clean

▶ **Glass** – food packaging, labels on OK  
**NO: window glass**

▶ **Metal** – food packaging, labels on OK Try to keep the lids on if possible

▶ **Plastic** – food or cleaning packaging with # 1 & # 2 – found inside Δ on bottom. Lids are almost always **NOT** #1 or #2

▶ **Cardboard** – corrugated (rippled center) - needs to be flattened  
brown paper grocery bags with no string or plastic handles  
**NO: food residue (i.e. pizza boxes)**  
**NO: paperboard (cereal, tissue boxes, or egg cartons)**

▶ **Newspaper** – Remove glossy inserts, includes unprinted newspaper that has been used as packaging paper  
Place in brown paper bags or loose if you are putting them in the newspaper trailer yourself. Tied w/string OK, but not preferred.  
**NO: plastic bags**

▶ **Mixed paper – Comingled :** White or colored office paper  
Envelopes (windows OK)  
Catalogs & magazines  
Glossy newspaper inserts or junk mail  
Manila folders and 3x5 cards  
Wrapping tissue paper  
Telephone Books – cover removed  
Holiday cards – no photos or metallic paper  
Place in paper bags or loose if you are putting them in the paper trailer yourself.  
**NO: plastic bags**  
**NO: waxed cartons, facial tissue, paper towels, or waxed paper to which such items as stamps or labels have been affixed**  
**NO: paperboard (cereal or tissue boxes)**  
**NO: wrapping paper – some's OK and some's not, so don't include any at all**

▶ **Metal** – non food items such as screens, bikes, hangers, etc.

▶ **Oil** – Used motor oil – check with the weigh house attendant for disposal

▶ **Leaves/Brush** – dump these in area to right of trash area & next summer collect free compost

▶ **Rocks** – drop off behind leaf drop area

▶ **Logs** – drop off behind compost pile behind weigh house

▶ **Tires** – drop off behind compost pile behind weigh house

▶ **Used clothes** – in bins across from weigh house (*see also reverse side*)

\* Check with your hauler to see what they take, other items you can deliver yourself w/permit

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## Recycling Everything Else Not Accepted at the Darien Refuse Station:

- ▶ **Electronics** – look for annual collection dates posted in local newspapers  
Yerwood Center – 90 Fairfield Ave., Stamford – 327-2790 accepts usable computers
- ▶ **Household Hazardous Waste** – look for annual collection dates posted on town web page and in local newspapers – usually first Saturday in June at Darien Town Hall
- ▶ **Printer Cartridges** – Box at message center in rotunda of Middlesex Middle School  
Collection box in the lower lobby at the back of Town Hall
- ▶ **CD's** – Collection boxes in the lower lobby at the back of Town Hall and at the Darien Nature Center
- ▶ **Usable clothing & household items** – Salvation Army bin at Refuse Station  
Bins in People's Bank parking lot – Goodwives Shopping Center  
Person 2 Person behind St. Lukes – 1864 Post Rd. 655-0448  
DCA Thrift Shop – 996 Post Rd. – 655-4552  
Double Exposure Consignment – 1090 Post Rd. 655-8799  
Childrens clothes & toys {Yellow Balloon Consignment Store – 748 Post Rd. 655-8406  
{Jack & Jill of Darien - 995 Post Rd. 655-4595  
Volunteer Center Item Donation - will pick up – 203-348-7714 x 232
- ▶ **Usable building materials** - United House Wrecking – Hope St. in Stamford  
Materials Exchange – 203-335-3452  
Habitat for Humanity
- ▶ **Used Eye Glasses** – Collection box in the lower lobby at the back of Town Hall  
Hamilton Opticians - 553 Post Rd. or ask your optician
- ▶ **Used Books** – Darien Book Aid – 1926 Post Road – 655-2777  
Smith College book sale – every April – Waveny Park, New Canaan
- ▶ **Unwanted cell/mobile phones and PDA's** – mobile phones contain toxic elements like Mercury, Cadmium, Lead, and other poisonous materials that shouldn't be thrown into a landfill. CollectiveGood will refurbish or recycle. Otherwise, they should be saved for an electronics collection day.



*Remember – if you throw in the trash what could have been recycled,  
you are throwing away your tax dollars.*

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