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Municipality of Red Lake

Waste Management Information Guide

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Frequently Asked Questions



1. How much do bag tags cost?

Bag tags are purchased in sheets of 10 tags at a cost of \$25.00 (\$2.50/tag). One bag tag is required for each bag of waste.

2. Can I use clear or translucent blue bags for setting out my recycling?

No, the only recyclable item that may be placed in a clear or clear blue translucent bag is shredded paper.

3. What type of container do I use for my recyclables?

Recyclables can be placed at curbside in any type of container, but not in plastic bags.

4. Do I put my glass in the one stream recycling system?

No, glass shall be included with your regular household waste.

5. Can I bring a fridge or freezer to the Transfer Station?

Yes, the Transfer Station will accept items containing Freon as well as propane fridges and freezers for a fee.

6. Can I put reusable items out for curbside collection or drop off at the Transfer Station?

No, reusable items are not accepted for curbside collection nor are they accepted at the Transfer Station. Reusable items can be placed at the curb for neighbours to pick up ONLY on designated Trash to Treasure Days.

7. Can disposable coffee cups be recycled?

Tim Horton's coffee cups can!! All other disposable coffee cups' paper is chemically treated.

8. Do I have to sort my recyclables?

No. Recyclables do not need to be sorted. Rinse all items and toss in a container loosely. Do not stack or stuff recyclables inside each other.



Contact Information



Waste & Recycling Information

Transfer Station – 729-4023

Transfer Station Email - transfer.site@redlake.ca

Municipal Office – 735-2096

Municipal Website - www.redlake.ca

Waste Disposal Site Hours of Operation

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday

10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, Monday & Thursday – CLOSED

Household Hazardous Waste Hours of Operation

Saturdays: 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Curbside Collection Schedules will be posted in the Municipal Newsletter and on the Municipal Website.

Municipal Transfer Station



The Municipal Transfer Station is a waste and recyclables transfer site located on Highway 125 between Red Lake and Balmertown.

Various types of refuse are accepted. Some items can be dropped off at no charge (see list below) and some items require a disposal fee.

When entering the Transfer Station be mindful of the attendants and obey the traffic light before entering the scale house area.

Free Disposal Items

- Clean Wood & Brush
- E-Waste
- Scrap Steel/Metal
- Yard Waste
- Recyclables
- Tires (private vehicles only)

Bag Tags & Waste Disposal Tickets

Can be purchased at the following locations:

- Municipal Office
- Mitchel's Midtown
- Diane's Gas Bar
- T.J's Kwik Stop
- Waste Transfer Station
- Red Lake Community Centre

Household Hazardous Waste

Household hazardous waste is hazardous materials used during the **normal** operation of a household.

If the hazardous material is **unknown or mixed** with another hazardous material it **will not be accepted** at the Waste Transfer Station.

Household hazardous materials **shall be in its original container**.

Household Hazardous Waste that will be accepted at the Waste Transfer Station shall include:

- Paint & Paint Thinner
- Herbicides & Pesticides
- Oil containers
- Fuel (gasoline)
- Antifreeze containers
- Used petroleum oil and filters
- Aerosols
- Cleaners
- Propane tanks
- Fluorescent & LED light bulbs
- Flammable liquids
- Batteries

E-Waste (Free Disposal Items)

- Computers & computer related equipment
- Printers, scanners, copiers, fax machines
- Radios, stereos, disc players
- Equalizers & amplifiers
- Speakers & receivers
- Telephones, pagers & answering machines
- Cameras, video players & video recorders
- Televisions & computer monitors

Accepted Methods of Payment at Transfer Station

Cash ~ Debit ~ Major Credit Cards ~ Bag Tags ~ Waste Disposal Tickets

Curbside Collection Information

Domestic household waste and recyclables can be placed at curbside for collection on regularly scheduled collection days (see the Waste & Recycling Collection Schedule attached).

This page outlines some of the limitations and restrictions related to curbside collection.

Non-Collectable Waste (Curbside)

The following items will not be collected curbside and must be brought directly to the Transfer Station:

- Manufacturers/Trade Waste
- Construction/Demolition Material
- Explosive or highly combustible materials
- Hay, straw and agricultural manure
- Compostable material from yards or gardens such as plants, leaves, grass clippings and small bushes
- Trimmings from hedges, trees and shrubs
- Material that has become frozen to the container and cannot be removed by shaking
- Discarded furniture, household items and appliances
- Asbestos
- Automotive parts, scrap metal
- Smoke detectors/alarms
- Waste containing recyclable material

Curbside Placement

- Waste and recyclables shall be placed at the curbside on the day of collection and not be placed at curbside overnight.
- All waste shall be placed in a garbage bag (up to 120 litres capacity). Each bag shall be securely tied and weigh no more than 15 kg.
- All waste bags shall have a bag tag attached.
- Bags shall be placed at the curb in either a covered container or securely covered with a blanket.
- All waste & recyclables shall be placed within 1 metre from the curb.

Why were my Waste or Recyclables not collected?

The collection contractor may not pick up your waste and/or recyclable materials for the following reasons:

- Waste contains recyclable materials
- Recyclables are mixed with non-recyclables or waste
- Waste does not have a bag tag or the bag tag is damaged
- Waste is more than 15 kg
- Waste and/or recyclables have been placed further than 1 metre from the curb
- Waste and/or recyclable container is blocked (ie. snow bank, parked vehicle)
- Waste and/or recyclables contain contaminated material
- Waste is not placed in a covered container or securely

Dumpsters

All dumpsters located on **private property** are the responsibility of the property owner for the collection and removal of such waste and recyclable materials.





What can I Recycle?



YES

These items can be placed in your recycling – no sorting required. Toss all items in loose (do not stack or stuff into each other)

NO

You cannot put these items in your recycling

Paper

Newspapers, flyers, magazines, books (with hard cover removed), telephone books, computer paper, brown paper bags, shredded paper (placed in a clear or blue translucent bag), envelopes (with windows removed)

Paper

Tissue paper, wrapping paper, bows, hard covers of a book, paper towel/tissues, wax paper

Boxboard & Cardboard

Juice/milk cartons, juice boxes, cereal/cracker boxes, tissue boxes, paper rolls/tubes, shoe boxes, cardboard egg cartons, disposable coffee cups (Tim Horton's only), corrugated cardboard boxes (folded flat – no larger than 1m x 1m cubed), pizza boxes
▶ Remove liners or bags & flatten

Boxboard

Disposable coffee cups (other than Tim Horton's brand), frozen juice containers, containers with metal bottom or trim (ie. Pringles, coffee containers, iced tea mix containers)

Metal

Food & beverage cans and lids
▶ Rinse thoroughly

Metal

Aluminum foil, aluminum food containers (pie plates, etc.), pots & pans, cookie sheets, metal hangers

Plastic

Plastic bottles, jugs, containers and lids with the following numbers:
❖ #2-7 in a recycling symbol
❖ #1 in a recycling symbol on clear plastic (single use food trays and containers, etc)
▶ Rinse thoroughly and remove lids

Plastic

Plastic shopping bags, ziplocs and plastic lined bags (ie. dog food bags, chip bags, candy wrappers), plastic wrap, cutlery, toys, hoses, bubble wrap, planting flats and pots

Glass

None

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All glass, ceramics, mirrors

Styrofoam

None

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All styrofoam packaging, cups, egg cartons, meat trays, containers, packing peanuts

Other local recycling programs

- Liquor, beer & wine containers can be returned to the Beer Store or Balmertown Food Fair for a refund
- Household batteries can be returned to deposit boxes located at the Municipal Office, the Transfer Station & Wilson's Business Solutions
- Ink and laser printing cartridges can be returned to Wilson's Business Solutions
- Single use plastic shopping bags can be dropped off for re-use at the 2nd Chance Thrift Store and Encore Kidz Warehouse

Waste & Recycling Collection Schedule

July 2022				
Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
				1
4	5	6	7	8
11	12	13	14	15
18	19	20	21	22
25	26	27	28	29

August 2022				
Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
1	2	3	4	5
8	9	10	11	12
15	16	17	18	19
22	23	24	25	26
29	30	31		

September 2022				
Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
			1	2
5	6	7	8	9
12	13	14	15	16
19	20	21	22	23
26	27	28	29	30

October 2022				
Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
3	4	5	6	7
10	11	12	13	14
17	18	19	20	21
24	25	26	27	28
31				

November 2022				
Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
	1	2	3	4
7	8	9	10	11
14	15	16	17	18
21	22	23	24	25
28	29	30		

December 2022				
Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
			1	2
5	6	7	8	9
12	13	14	15	16
19	20	21	22	23
26	27	28	29	30

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-  **Madsen/Starratt Olsen** – Residential Garbage
-  **McKenzie Island** – Residential Garbage
-  **Red Lake** – Commercial Garbage
-  **Balmertown** – Commercial Garbage
-  **Cochenour** – Commercial Garbage
-  **Balmertown** – Residential Recycling
-  **Chukuni Subdivision** – Residential Recycling
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