

Solid Waste Facility Policy
Operating Rules and Regulations

1. Purpose and Authority

The Town of Chebeague Island adopted a Solid Waste Facility ordinance on June 4th, 2011 (Chapter 13, Article I). The ordinance authorizes the Selectboard to create and maintain certain rules and regulations. The purpose of this document is to create operating rules and regulations in accordance with the Solid Waste Facility ordinance and applicable Maine Department of Environmental Protection rules and regulations.

2. Enactment

This policy is enacted upon a majority vote of the Selectboard and may be amended or repealed from time to time by the Selectboard or by Town Meeting.

3. Review and Amendments

It is the policy of The Selectboard that this document is reviewed annually by the solid waste facility attendant and the Town Administrator and recommendations considered by The Selectboard.

4. Hours of Operation

The regular operating hours for the solid waste facility are in the table below. The attendant may close the facility without warning in cases where public safety may be compromised. The Selectboard will be notified of the closing within a reasonable amount of time. The Selectboard, at any public meeting, may temporarily close the facility for special occasions as they deem appropriate. Upon consultation with the Town Administrator, the Cemetery Superintendent and Transfer Station Attendant may close the Transfer Station during the hours of a funeral service taking place in the cemetery. The exact date for the start of Summer and Winter hours is determined annually by the Town Administrator, generally consistent with the change to and from daylight savings.

	WINTER	SUMMER
Monday	CLOSED	9:00 am to 11:00 am
Tuesday	CLOSED	CLOSED
Wednesday	1:30 pm to 4:00 pm	1:30 pm to 5:00 pm
Thursday	CLOSED	9:00 am to 11:00 am
Friday	1:30 pm to 4:00 pm	1:30 pm to 5:00 pm
Saturday	9:00 am to 4:00 pm	9:00 am to 5:00 pm
Sunday	9:00 am to 4:00 pm	9:00 am to 5:00 pm

No individuals, town employees, contractors or others may bring waste to the facility or remove items other than during operating hours.

Brush Dump/Wood Pile Hours - Access to the Brush Dump/Wood Pile will be provided through the Transfer Station gate during the hours the Transfer Station is open. Those with individual contracts and/or agreements with the Town may be allowed access outside business hours.

5. Designated Waste Areas

The enabling ordinance designates separate areas for different waste items. This allows the town to optimize the handling of waste reducing the cost to the taxpayers. The table below defines representative items for each stream. The attendant is ultimately responsible for directing a particular item to the proper area.

6. Commercial users of the Brush Dump/Wood Pile facility may have individual contracts with the Town. The Town will set annual fees based on use and quantity of dumping at the Brush Pile/Wood Pile.

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Area	Type	Fee allowed	Acceptable Waste (Representative list)
Waste	Compactor	No	<p>Regular waste produced by households or small commercial enterprises. No universal or hazardous waste should be placed in the waste compactors.</p> <p>Each compactor container can accept a limited number of vehicle tires. Tires are placed in a separate staging area and the attendant will place them in the compactor at appropriate times.</p>
Recycle	Compactor	No	<p>Newspapers & inserts, magazines, mail & catalogs, paper bags, office paper & envelopes, wrapping paper, phone books, books, paper plates (clean), milk & juice cartons, drink boxes & aseptic containers, shredded paper (put in clear bags), all clean cardboard, paperboard and pizza boxes (NO FOOD), water bottles, milk jugs, detergent bottles, all rigid containers marked with a #1-#7 (except styrofoam), tin cans, aerosol cans (empty), aluminum cans/foil, pots & pans, all glass bottles & jars</p>
Construction and Demolition	Container	Yes	<p>Debris created during construction, demolition or remodeling except for items required to go into the universal, hazardous, metal or white goods waste stream.</p>
Metal Goods	Container	Yes	<p>Scrap metals are recycled.</p>
White Goods	Area	Yes	<p>Appliances such as refrigerators, freezers and air conditioners.</p>
Universal Waste	Area	Yes	<p>CRTs-Cathode Ray Tubes (computer monitors, TVs), Fluorescent lamps (also mercury vapor, neon, metal halide, HID and HPS, Mercury-containing thermostats, intact PCB-containing lighting ballasts), Batteries (Ni-Cd, metal hydride, lithium and including all vehicle batteries), mercury thermometers.</p>
Brush Pile	Area	Yes	<p>Branches, Brush, Leaves, Weeding debris, Wood Chips and Bulk Wood in three (3) foot lengths.</p>
Wood Pile	Area	Yes	<p>Wood 6-28" in diameter</p>

7. Hazardous Waste Collection

The Town of Chebeague Island may designate a weekend bi-annually where hazardous waste (particularly liquids) can be brought to the facility and prepared for transport by a licensed hazardous waste transporter.

Hazardous waste includes: Oil-based Paints, Resins & Adhesives, Oil, Gasoline, Kerosene, Antifreeze. Windshield washer fluid, Solvents & thinners, Pesticides & Herbicides, Acids.

Also accepted as household universal waste are: NiCd batteries, fluorescent lamps, Mercury & mercury devices, Television & computer monitors and Aerosols.

8. Bulky Waste

The Town of Chebeague Island may designate a weekend annually where bulky waste can be brought to be collected by the public works crew and placed in containers and transported off the island.

The intent of this service is to allow large waste items generated by residents and other non-commercial entities to be disposed of with no fees applied. These are items that could normally be placed in the metal or construction and demolition containers that are too large for the compactors. During normal operation these items may be subject to a fee. All commercial waste requires a fee.

Waste items not allowed in the bulky waste containers include appliances requiring special handling (for example air conditioners and refrigerators with Freon); Special or hazardous waste items.

Residents are encouraged to notify the Town Office of their intent to bring large items such as small boats to assure that they can be safely and efficiently processed.