### It's the Law!

The PA Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) has determined that the Borough of Gettysburg must comply with Pennsylvania's Act 101, The Municipal Waste Planning, Recycling and Waste Reduction Act. Borough Code, Chapter 20, requires that all residents, businesses, institutions and commercial establishments in the Borough <u>must</u> recycle.

## Enforcement

The requirements for recycling found in Borough Code, Chapter 20, will be enforced by the Code Enforcement Department under the direction of the Recycling Coordinator. Violations may be handled as follows

First Offense:	Written Warning
Additional Offenses:	Charges filed
Upon Conviction:	Minimum fine= \$300
	Maximum fine $=$ \$1,000

Note: The Hauler has the right to refuse trash containing recyclable materials and refuse recycling bins that contains trash.

## More Recycling Info:

- www.dep.state.pa.us/dep/deputate/airwast e/wm/recycle/recycle.htm
- www.adamscounty.us/Dept/Planning/Pages/ defaulte.aspx
- www.gettysburgpa.gov

#### WHAT MUST YOU RECYCLE?

- Aluminum and bi-metal/tin cans
- Clear and colored glass containers and bottles (not to include plate glass, light bulbs, blue glass, porcelain or ceramic products.)
- Plastic bottles and containers (1-7)
- Newspaper
- High grade office paper
- Corrugated cardboard cut small enough to fit in bin

You are encouraged to recycle other permitted items such as magazines, junk mail, catalogs, telephone books, empty spray cans, and paperbacks.

### **NOT ACCEPTED FOR RECYCLING!**

- Pyrex, porcelain, or ceramics
- Styrofoam or aluminum foil
- Lightbulbs
- Batteries
- Plate glass or mirrors
- Hazardous waste
- Infectious waste
- Syringes

Note: For alternate, environmentallyfriendly ways to dispose of the unaccepted items listed above, go to

https://www.gettysburgpa.gov/sites/gettysbur gpa/files/uploads/ rb recyclingbrochure.pdf 1.pdf

# GETTYSBURG RECYCLES

Recycling is one small way to make a positive impact on our environment, keep costs down for trash hauling, and return incentive dollars to the Borough. Also, it's the law!



Recycling Coordinator: Becky LaBarre, Director of Planning 717-334-1160, ext. 224

## ++ Residential ++

### You are considered a "residential" customer if you normally require <u>3</u> <u>or fewer 32-gallon containers per</u> <u>week</u> to hold trash.

The Borough contracts for solid waste collection services, including recycling, for residential customers. This assures low prices and excellent service. The Borough's hauler reports the weight of recycling so residential customers don't have to do so.

Single stream recycling and no reporting! What could be easier?

If you own a small business that meets the "residential" definition shown above, contact the Borough to see how you can be covered by our contracted hauler who will do the required tonnage reporting for you.

You can save money and time!

## **Residential Recycling Tips**

- Rinse containers and remove caps and lids (Recycle them, but not attached to container).
- Make sure aerosol cans are empty.
- Paper includes drink cartons rinse thoroughly.
- Frozen foods boxes should be recycled.
- Pizza boxes non-greasy parts only!
- Cereal boxes- remove wax paper insert.
- Newspapers need not be bagged nor bundled separately – recycle glossy inserts and comics as paper.
- No plate glass nor mirrors.
- Remove staples from office paper.
- No Styrofoam! Ask your favorite restaurants to use cardboard for carryout.
- Everything in one bin, which is called "Single Stream Recycling"!
- Bins are available at the Borough or through Waste Connections, Inc.

# ++ New Services ++

The 2018 contract with Waste Connections, Inc provides additional waste collection services to residents of the Borough. They are a quarterly collection of "covered devices" (i.e. electronic devices), fall and spring pickup of brush and yard waste, the continuation of accepting "container glass" for recycling, curbside collection of Christmas trees in January, and bags of grass cuttings.

provide Waste Connections will additional vard waste collection services to augment the Borough's collections. Curbside pickup will take place twice per year, in March and August, the dates for which will be posted on the Borough's website and advertised in the Gettysburg Times. As in the past, brush should be placed at the curb, but not in the gutter.

There will be a special "covered devices" drive-through drop-off three time per year for TVs, computer peripherals, and other electronics. Waste Connections has partnered with the Borough to provide to residents a way to dispose of electronic devices in an environmentally-friendly manner.