



THE DIVERSION DIGEST

THE COUNTY OF DUFFERIN WASTE MANAGEMENT NEWSLETTER

Waste Free Winter!



Support local farmers.

Local produce travels less distance to get to the plate. That means there's less stress on the planet, it's much fresher than goods that come from other countries and it supports our local farmers. Also consider buying meats, cheeses and other foods locally.



Paper NOT Plastic.

Using real plates is best, but if you need to have disposable dishes, make sure they are paper, or styrofoam. Paper plates (without waxy film) can go in the green bin; they are fully compostable. Clean Styrofoam plates can be recycled in your blue box.

Make all your Winter celebrations sustainable!



Christmas Trees

Get a real tree! Artificial trees are often made from petroleum and hundreds of other chemicals. Eventually they all end up in landfills. Choosing a real tree can also be a fun family tradition.

Use Non Foil Wrapping Paper.

This holiday season, use non foil wrapping paper to wrap presents. This is accepted in your local Blue Box program. You could avoid using wrapping paper all together by using gift baskets or reusable bags instead.



DUFFERIN COMPOSTS!



Getting Started

- Rearrange your cupboard to fit the small kitchen catcher or a green bin for compostables and a container for recycling.
- Try this in your bathrooms as well. Tissues and hair can go into your green bin for composting. Additional kitchen catchers can be purchased for \$5 each at your local municipality office.

- Over 30% of your household waste is compostable and can go in the green bin.
- To help keep the kitchen catcher and green bin clean, line it with a paper bag, newspaper or a **certified compostable bag**. Look for the BPI logo.



- **Plastic bags are not permitted in the organics program.**
- Begin to fill your kitchen catcher or green bin with food waste and household organic waste.
- Remember to take your kitchen catcher or green bin out to the curb before 7:00am on your collection day.

WHAT GOES IN KITCHEN CATCHER?

ALL food wastes including:

- ✓ Plate scrapings
- ✓ Bones, dairy, and eggs
- ✓ Meats (raw or cooked)
- ✓ Cooking oil and fat
- ✓ Tea bags and coffee grounds and filters
- ✓ Fruits and vegetables

Did you know you can compost these non-food items as well?

- ✓ Cotton balls and tissue
- ✓ Greasy pizza boxes
- ✓ Paper towels
- ✓ Hair and pet fur
- ✓ Microwave popcorn bags
- ✓ Paper plates (without waxy film)
- ✓ Flowers and plants
- ✓ Sawdust, wood-chips



NO

**PLASTIC,
PACKAGING,
OR GARBAGE**

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE AND ELECTRONIC GOODS RECYCLING DAYS

Household

Hazardous Waste

Many products we use everyday can pose significant risks to our health and the environment.

Household cleaners, pesticides, paints, and automotive oils are just a few examples of household hazardous wastes (HHW).

Hazardous materials dumped down the drain or sent to landfills can poison drinking water supplies, and contaminate soil.



For example, the used oil from one oil change can contaminate more than 3.7 million litres of fresh water, which is enough water to supply 50 people for a year!



Electronic Waste

Computers, televisions, cell-phones and other electronics typically contain harmful heavy metals, including lead and mercury.



Dufferin County Event Days

Residents of Dufferin County are asked to bring their household hazardous waste and electronic waste to our event days held throughout the year. Please visit our website at www.dufferincounty.on.ca or call 519-941-2816 x 2620 for more information.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE AND ELECTRONIC GOODS RECYCLING EVENT DAYS FOR 2012

Saturday May 5th (8am - 3pm)

Town of Mono Works Yard

Saturday May 26th (8am - 3pm)

County of Dufferin Primrose Operations Centre

Saturday June 9th (8am - 3pm)

Town of Orangeville Operations Centre

Wednesday July 11th (4pm - 8pm)

Town of Mono Works Yard

Wednesday August 15th (4pm - 8pm)

Town of Orangeville Operations Centre

Saturday September 8th (8am - 3pm)

Township of East Luther Grand Valley Works Yard

Saturday October 6th (8am - 3 pm)

County of Dufferin Primrose Operations Centre

Saturday October 27th (8am - 3 pm)

Town of Orangeville Operations Centre

Administration, Treasury,
Building & Public Works
51 Zina Street
Orangeville
(519) 941-2816
Community Services, Ontario
Works, Early Years and
Employment Centre
229 Broadway
Orangeville
(519) 941-6991
Museum
Hwy 89 and Airport Road
Mulmur
1-877-941-7787
Early Years Centres:
229 Broadway, Orange-
ville
(519) 941-6991
151 Centre Street, Shel-
burne
(519) 925-5504
90 Main Street North,
Grand Valley
(519) 928-3383
Jean Hamlyn Daycare Cen-
tre
65 McCarthy Street
Orangeville, Ontario
L9W 3A3
(519) 941-5972
Public Works Operations
Centre
Highway 10, south of
Highway 89
Primrose
(519) 925-6661
Dufferin Oaks Home for the
Aged
151 Centre Street
Shelburne
(519) 925-2140

VISIT OUR WEBSITE:
www.dufferincounty.on.ca

Main Telephone:
(519) 941-2816
New Toll-Free Number:
1-877-941-6991

TAKE IT BACK!



PRODUCT STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM AND 3 R'S COMMUNITY DIRECTORY

Another option to dispose of HHW and e-waste is through our Take It Back Directory. Our Take It Back Directory is a one-stop shop to the retailers, vendors and organizations that you can "bring back" items for reuse, recycling or proper disposal. For the most recent edition, refer to our website or call the Waste Management Division.



Examples of accepted items:
Automotive: tires, oil, batteries, scrap metal, etc.

Electronic: cell phones and batteries, vacuums, small appliances, televisions, computers, etc.

Garden: pots, vases, etc.

Health: old medication, syringes, eyeglasses, wheelchairs and walkers, etc.

Household: clothing, books, sports equipment, hangers, paint, etc.

COUNTY OF DUFFERIN

For more information about all of these exciting programs, please contact the County of Dufferin's Waste Management Division.

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