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Somerset County November Recycling Calendar:

First Saturday & E-Waste Drop-offs

First Saturday of the Month Drop-off in Bridgewater Nov. 3

BRIDGEWATER – Somerset County Freeholder Brian G. Gallagher, recycling liaison, invites county residents to take advantage of the **First Saturday of the Month Drop-off** event on **Nov. 3** from **8 a.m. to 2 p.m.** at the **Somerset County Recycling Center**, located at **40 Polhemus Lane, Bridgewater, NJ 08807**. Proof of residency is required (current driver's license, valid lease, tax bill or any other bill with a Somerset County address). Pre-registration is not required. No businesses or commercial vehicles are allowed.

First Saturday drop-off events enable busy residents to recycle tires and the usual curbside items in one fell swoop. Residents can drop off up to eight tires – with or without rims – scrap metal, used motor oil, oil filters, antifreeze and usual curbside materials, including chipboard items, plastic bottles and containers marked #1 through #7. Chipboard includes gift, shoe, shirt and all retail boxes as well as cereal, cookie, pasta, and cake and cracker boxes without the plastic liners. Poster board, greeting cards, backing from writing pads and empty, dried-out steel paint cans are also accepted.

Somerset County no longer accepts textiles at First Saturday of the Month drop-offs. Please continue to recycle your used textiles at any local charity donation bin.

The next drop-off date is **Dec. 1.** For more information, visit www.co.somerset.nj.us/1stSat or call the Somerset County Recycling Center at (732) 469-3363.

Canned goods and non-perishable food donations for needy residents are welcome at First Saturday of the Month drop-off events; and you can put out canned goods in a plastic bag on your usual recycling pickup dates. Items are delivered to the Food Bank Network of Somerset County. Perishable items and foods in glass containers are not accepted.

Household hazardous waste and electronic waste are not accepted on First Saturday of the Month drop-off events at the Recycling Center. You can recycle household hazardous waste at any of the five scheduled Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off events held at different locations around the county. Electronics can be dropped off free of charge on certain Saturdays in Hillsborough and weekdays at a Bridgewater and Hillsborough location.

A complete listing of recyclable items, recycling drop-off events and much more is available at www.co.somerset.nj.us/recycle

Electronic Waste Drop-off Nov. 3 in Hillsborough

HILLSBOROUGH – Somerset County Freeholder Brian G. Gallagher, recycling liaison, invites county residents to declutter their homes of electronic items that have accumulated. The next free-of-charge **Saturday Electronic Waste Drop-off** event is **Nov. 3** from **8 a.m. to 2 p.m.** at the **South County Public Works Facility** at **410 Roycefield Road**, **Hillsborough**, **NJ 08844**. Proof of residency is required (current driver's license, valid lease, tax bill or any other bill with a Somerset County address). Pre-registration is not required. No businesses or commercial vehicles are allowed.

Following is a list of e-waste drop-off locations, dates and times in 2018:

- Saturday drop-offs: Nov. 3, and Dec. 1, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the South County Public Works Garage, 410 Roycefield Road, Hillsborough, NJ 08844.
- Weekday drop-offs: Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the North County Public Works Facility - Building B - 411 Chimney Rock Road, north of Route 22, Bridgewater, NJ 08807 and the South County Public Works Garage, 410 Roycefield Road, Hillsborough, NJ 08844.

The following materials are accepted: computers (desktops and laptops), monitors (cathode-ray tube and flat panel), televisions (cathode-ray tubes and flat panels), copiers, digital cameras, DVD players, e-book readers, fax machines, MP3 players, personal digital assistants (PDAs), printers, stereos, radio equipment, VCRs, audio visual equipment, typewriters, camcorders, telephones, cellular phones, circuit boards, modems, telephone mainframes, keyboards, mice, scanners, cables, wiring, power supplies, mainframe equipment and controllers.

Batteries are not accepted: Residents can recycle household hazardous waste including lithium and rechargeable batteries at any of the five scheduled <u>Household Hazardous Waste drop-off events</u> held at different locations around the county. AA, AAA, D, C and 9 volt batteries can be disposed in the regular trash.

For more information about recycling electronics, contact the Somerset County Solid Waste Division at 908-231-7109, email solidwaste@co.somerset.nj.us or visit www.co.somerset.nj.us/e-waste.

A complete listing of recyclable items, recycling drop-off events (First Saturday of the Month, household hazardous waste, medicine, e-waste and tire) and much more is available at www.co.somerset.nj.us/recycle.

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Free Tire Drop-off for Somerset County Farmers & Residents

Oct. 29 to Nov. 2 in Hillsborough

HILLSBOROUGH – Somerset County Freeholder Brian G. Gallagher, recycling liaison, encourages residents and farmers to dispose of unwanted tires from their property. A perhousehold maximum of eight tires, with or without, rims can be dropped off.

The Somerset County Division of Solid Waste Management is partnering with the county Road Division to collect old scrap tires, with or without rims, **Monday**, **Oct. 29**, through **Friday**, **Nov. 2** from **8 a.m. to 3 p.m.** at the **South County Public Works Garage**. The garage is located at **410 Roycefield Road**, **Hillsborough 08844**.

Proper disposal of tires benefits communities. Scrap tires can collect standing water and attract mosquitoes in warm weather, which may carry the West Nile virus. In the autumn and winter, they present a tripping hazard when covered with leaves or snow.

Tires also can be dropped off during the year at the county Recycling Center, located at 40 Polhemus Lane in Bridgewater, from **8 a.m. to 2 p.m.**, as part of the First Saturday of the Month drop-off program. Proof of residency is required (current driver's license, valid lease, tax bill or any other bill with a Somerset County address). Pre-registration is not required. No businesses or commercial vehicles are allowed.

The tire drop-off program is funded through a grant from the state Department of Environmental Protection.

For more information, contact the Somerset County Road Division at (908) 541-5021 or roaddiv@co.somerset.nj.us.

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Recycling Pick-up Dates Adjusted for Thanksgiving Holiday

BRIDGEWATER – The **Somerset County Recycling Center**, located at 40 Polhemus Lane, will be

closed Thursday, Nov. 22, in observance of Thanksgiving Day.

Recycling pickup for residents of Franklin Township and South Bound Brook will be Friday, Nov. 23.

The Recycling Center will be open **Election Day**, **Nov. 6**, and **Veterans Day**, **Nov. 12**. Curbside collection for residents will be on their regularly scheduled pickup date.

For more information, call the Somerset County Recycling Center at (732) 469-3363. To view the 2018 Recycling Collection Schedule and more, go to www.co.somerset.nj.us/recycle

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