# IMPORTANT NOTICE—PLEASE READ! TRASH & RECYCLING RULES FOR 2016

- Trash/recycling collector: Waste Management, 107 Silvia Street, Ewing, NJ 08628
- Missed pick up complaints: 1-800-633-9096
- Trash pick up day: Every WEDNESDAY, beginning January 6, 2016
- Recyclables will be picked up every other THURSDAY, beginning January 14, 2016
   Note: Plastic bags are not acceptable containers for recyclables.
   Note: A holiday could move collection to the following day.
- Free recycling containers are available at the Elmer Borough Hall. Call 856-305-0345
- Christmas Trees will be picked up by Upper Pittsgrove on January 5 and January 12, 2016.
   Please remove all metal from trees including tinsel and lights.
- The date of leaf collection will be posted in the Elmer Times in November. Remember: THE DEPT. OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION PROHIBITS LEAVES IN THE LANDFILL. THEY CANNOT BE PICKED UP WITH THE REGULAR TRASH.
- Leaves placed curbside on trash days <u>WILL NOT</u> be collected.
- Yard waste may be put curbside on regular trash days but must be separated from the regular trash.
- Sticks and branches will be picked up on April 14 and October 13, 2016. Please place branches less than 5 inches in diameter with the thicker end toward curb. (No dirt on roots please) Anything larger than 5 inches in diameter can be put out with the trash tied and bundled in 3 foot lengths.
- <u>Electronics will not be collected in 2016</u>. They may be taken to the Salem County Waste facility, 36 Mckillip Road, Alloway Township on Wednesdays or Saturdays from 8am to 3pm.



# BOROUGH OF ELMER 2016 TRASH & RECYCLING CALENDAR



#### RESIDENTIAL, BUSINESS, INSTITUTIONAL

RECYCLING DAYS ARE CIRCLED • EVERY OTHER THURSDAY
TRASH COLLECTION EVERY WEDNESDAY

The state **requires** that municipalities recycle at least 60% of their trash stream. Your cooperation in separating **all** recyclables for pickup on recycling days is required for Elmer to meet this goal. YOUR COOPERATION WILL HELP AVOID A PER-BAG-FEE FOR TRASH.

## ITEMS WILL BE PICKED UP AT YOUR CURB AS FOLLOWS:

The following may be commingled in one container:

#### 1. PAPER AND CARDBOARD

Newspaper, magazines, catalogs, junk mail, computer paper, cereal box-type cardboard and corrugated cardboard. (Pizza, food contaminated and wax coated cardboard are **not** accepted, please dispose in trash).

#### 2. GLASS

Rinse any container that is clear, amber, or green (NO blue). Remove any lids or metal rings. NO PLATE GLASS

#### 3. ALUMINUM

This consists of aluminum cans only. (Remember, if a magnet will not stick to it, it's aluminum.) We do not recycle pet food or any other cans with teflon-like coatings.

#### 4. TIN CANS (BI-METAL)

Tin cans should be rinsed.

#### 5. PLASTICS, PET and HDPE BOTTLES

Bottles (1 and 2) will be accepted. These include clear and gree soda bottles, milk jugs, liquid laundry detergent containers shampoo and bleach type containers. In addition, margaring tubs, yogurt containers, and plastic take-out containers will be accepted. All containers should be rinsed and any caps or rings removed For additional recycling information go to www.elmerboroughnj.com. We can not accept oil, anti-freeze gasoline, or any containers or plastics that had petroleum products in them.

Appliances: Washers, Dryers, Stoves, Refrigerators, Steel Doors, Metal Pipes (White Goods) will be picked up the last Friday of the month.

Furniture, Carpets, Mattresses and other bulk items (except white goods) will be picked up weekly with trash.

The date of leaf collection will be posted in the Elmer times.

Leaves <u>MUST BE</u> in trash cans or biodegradable bags.

Branches with diameters of less than 5 inches will be picked up Apr.

& Oct. 13. (No Roots with dirt). Place thickest end to curb.

Christmas Trees will be picked up Jan. 5 & 12 (No metal including tinse)
Electronics (computers, televisions, etc.) WILL NOT BE
PICKED UP CURBSIDE.

Trash is picked up every Wednesday. Pickup will be early - please put containers out the night before.

Plastic bags are not acceptable as containers and should not be used for recyclables. Free recycling containers may be picked up at the Borough Hall or by contacting Recycling Coordinator Cyndi Nolan 856-305-0345.

## LOOK FOR ANY CHANGES THAT MIGHT OCCUR DURING THE YEAR ON THE FRONT PAGE OF THE ELMER TIMES.

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= Normal Recycling Pickup Days

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Trash and/or Recycling Complaints Call: Waste Management 1-800-633-9096

## Borough of Elmer

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December 2015

Dear Elmer Residents and Business Owners,

I would like to take this opportunity to update you on some recent Borough news:

**RECREATION PROGRAM NEEDS COMMUNITY INPUT:** The Borough of Elmer is developing a new Recreation Area adjacent to the Elmer Ballpark. CITIZEN INPUT IS NEEDED! Please contact Recreation Committee Chairwoman Patricia Schneider (358-7467), the Mayor, or any Council Member with your ideas and/or to participate.

**LAND USE BOARD VACANCIES:** Residents are needed for three open positions on the Land Use Board; contact the Mayor for more information or to volunteer.

**NEW BOROUGH PHONE SYSTEM:** The Borough Hall office phone extensions for (856) 358-4010) are now three digits: 110 Clerk, 111 Police, 112, Mayor, 113 Fire Official/Housing, 116 Tax/Water Collector & Animal Licensing, 117 Tax Assessor/Zoning.

STORM WATER PROGRAM UPDATE: In accordance with our NJDEP Tier B Municipal Storm Water General Permit, the Borough has adopted various Ordinances to be in compliance with the Storm Water Program. As part of our Local Public Education Program, the purpose of this letter to highlight the requirements and environmental benefits of these Ordinances. Listed below are some of the areas that are covered.

<u>Pet Waste:</u> This Ordinance requires pet owners to pick up and properly dispose of pet waste dropped on public or other people's property. It prevents fecal contamination from impacting waterways.

<u>Litter:</u> This Ordinance states that it is unlawful to throw, drop, discard or otherwise place litter of any nature upon any public or private property, other than in a litter receptacle. The purpose of the Ordinance is to prevent unsightly and unsanitary conditions and prevent litter from impacting waterways.

Improper Disposal of Waste: This Ordinance states that it is illegal to dispose of waste in any place not specifically designated for the purpose of solid waste storage or disposal. The purpose of the Ordinance is to prevent unsanitary condition and groundwater pollution.

<u>Wildlife Feeding:</u> Feeding of water fowl in the Borough of Elmer is prohibited by Ordinance. The Borough enacted the Ordinance as a method to reduce water fowl population in response to health concerns regarding bacteria which is harmful to human and fish populations.

<u>Yard Waste</u>: Yard waste is regulated via Ordinances which establish the current zone collection system and the methods of collecting leaves, brush, and other yeard waste. The purpose of the Ordinances is to keep leaves and grass out of the storm sewer system.

Illicit Connections: This Ordinance makes it unlawful to connect any pipe or device to the municipal storm sewer system that is intended to discard, spill or dump any material other than storm water runoff or groundwater (sump pumps) into the system. The purpose of this Ordinance is to prevent pollution and contamination or waterways which receive discharge from our storm

sewers.

The transport of pollutants into local water bodies can result in the destruction of fish, wildlife and habitats; threats to public health; and the loss of recreational and aesthetic value. The above Ordinances have been adopted to protect our environment and to keep pollutants that are commonly conveyed by storm water from adversely impacting our waterways and groundwater supplies. Thank you for your continued cooperation with our environmental protection efforts.

Sincerely, Joseph P. Stemberger, Mayor

## Residential Guide to Zero-Sort Recycling

### ELMER BOROUGH

Phone books



Cartons

Aluminum & metal cans



Corrugated cardboard & Paper bags (flattened)

#1 & #2 Plastic bottles & jugs (caps removed)



Greeting cards, regular & junk mail

Glass bottles

& jars

Cardboard beverage carriers

File folders, office paper



Newspapers, magazines, brochures & inserts (no bags)

Paperboard boxes (cereal, pasta & tissue)

## NO

- Scrap metal
- Plastic bags
- · Plastic 6 pack rings
- Frozen food, Juice or ice cream containers
- Window glass, mirrors, mugs, glasses, bulbs, bakeware
- Hard plastic toys or furniture
- Oil, paint, lubricant, or pesticide containers
- · Waxed paper or waxed cardboard
- Styrofoam
- · Organic material or food
- · Aluminum foil and tin foil
- Fluorescent bulbs\*\*
- Electronic waste (batteries, computers, TV's etc.)
- Food soiled cardboard containters (including pizza boxes)

## NO NEED TO REMOVE:

Paper clips, stamps, address labels, staples, metal fasteners, cellophane address windows, rubberbands, spiral bindings, plastic tabs

Please flatten all cardboard boxes Empty and rinse all containers

Margarine tubs, yogurt containers and Plastic take-out containers ARE recyclable This is a new guidline)

#### Confused?

Check the bottom of you Plastic container for a number-#1 thru #7 <u>are</u> recyclable! Loose metal jar lids & steel bottle caps

Paper towel rolls

Paperback books



\*\* Electronics and fluorescent lamps/bulbs WILL NOT be collected curbside. They must be taken to the Salem County Improvement Authority on Weds., or Sat. from 8 am to 3 pm.