

TRANSFER STATION FAQ'S

What are the current Transfer Station Fees?

A: The Transfer Station offers several different stickers to best fit your needs.

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Full Sticker.....	\$145.00
Additional vehicle or trailer.....	\$ 35.00
Recycle Only.....	\$ 25.00
One-trip Fee.....	\$ 40.00

How do I purchase a Transfer Station Permit Sticker?

A: Permit stickers can be purchased at the Transfer Station at 484 Boston Post Road. You can pay for your sticker with cash, check, or credit card. Stickers may also be purchased online via credit card at http://www.wayland.ma.us/Pages/WaylandMA_DPW/transfer/index

Are special bags required to dispose of trash at the transfer station?

A: Yes, users of the Transfer Station are required to dispose of their regular household trash in special Town of Wayland trash bags. There are three bag sizes available, and there is no sales tax on the bags. They are offered in 3 different sizes: Small (8 gal) for \$3.00 per 5-Pack, Medium (14 gal) for \$5.00 per 5-Pack, and Large (30 gal) for \$10.00 per 5-Pack. They are available at a number of stores in and around Wayland, as well as at the Recreation Department at the Town Building and the DPW Office at 66 River Road.

Trash Bags are available for purchase at:

Honey Farms	114 Main St, Wayland
Donelan's	177 Commonwealth Ave, Wayland
Stop & Shop	400 Boston Post Road, Wayland
Stop & Shop	235 Old Connecticut Path, Framingham
Wayland Ace Hardware	70 Andrew Ave, Wayland

Please note that the small 8-gallon bags are only available at the DPW Office, 66 River Road, or, The Recreation Department, 2nd floor, Town Building.

What are the regular hours of operation at the Transfer Station?

A: The Wayland Transfer Station is open on Tuesday from 8:00am to 4:00pm, on Thursday 7:00am to 4:00pm, and Saturday 7:00am to 4:00pm.

How do holidays affect the Transfer Station hours of operation?

A: When a holiday is celebrated on a Monday, Wednesday, or Friday, the Transfer Station maintains its regular hours of operation. When a holiday is celebrated on a Tuesday or Thursday, the Transfer Station is closed on the day of the holiday and will re-open on the next scheduled Tuesday, Thursday, or Saturday.

What is 'Pay-As-You-Throw'?

A: 'Pay-As-You-Throw' is a variable-rate system that encourages households to recycle more and generate less trash. The cost savings are then passed on to the households as reduced trash disposal costs. Simply put, 'Pay-As-You-Throw' is a system by which you pay for the trash you discard. The core idea of Pay-As-You-Throw is that *when you recycle more and discard less trash, you pay less.*

How does 'Pay-As-You-Throw' (PAYT) work?

A: Under PAYT, the hauling and disposal costs, and the variable cost, are covered by the revenue generated by sales of the special Town of Wayland trash bags. The fixed operating costs, payroll, and other operating expenses are covered by the Transfer Station ticker fee. The more we recycle, the less we have to spend on the hauling and disposal.

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Are there any additional charges for recycling?

A: Since the goal of PAYT is to increase recycling, there is no additional charge for recycling over and above the sticker fee. In fact, recycling revenue will go towards offsetting sticker fees for the following year.

What about people who currently use barrels instead of trash bags?

A: All trash must be in the special Town of Wayland PAYT trash bags. You may place the filled PAYT bags in a barrel, but loose trash in a barrel or other receptacle will not be allowed to be dumped at the Transfer Station.

What if I don't have the proper bag?

A: You will not be able to dispose of your trash at the Transfer Station unless it is in a Town of Wayland PAYT bag.

How many PAYT bags are we able to dispose of on each trip?

A: There is no limit on how many PAYT bags you may bring to the Transfer Station for disposal. The PAYT bag program is designed to offset the cost of trash disposal, so each resident controls how much they spend for their own trash disposal.

What is the environmental benefit?

A: Experience has shown that total trash volumes drop quickly, significantly, and sustainably with PAYT systems. That means less environmental damage caused by trash disposal, trash collection, and the production of goods in the first place. Households respond to PAYT programs by using less packaging, reusing grocery bags, and composting and recycling more. More recycling reduces the need for 'virgin' resources extracted from forests, oil reserves, and mines; so we use less energy, reduce the emission of greenhouse gases as well as other air and water pollutants, and conserve natural resources.

What is the benefit to households?

A: Households now have control of their disposal costs instead of being forced to subsidize households that choose to throw out more than they do. Households can adjust their trash disposal costs simply by creating less waste, e.g. by choosing purchasing options that use less packaging, and by reusing, recycling, or composting what they might otherwise throw out.