

Municipality of the District of Chester

WASTE COLLECTION CALENDAR



2026

April - December



Thank you for your patience!

We are happy to share the second part of our 2026 waste collection calendar! Inside, you can find a new map and written descriptions of our collection routes.

To improve efficiency, some routes have changed while others have stayed the same. Holiday collections and rescheduled collections will move to MONDAYS instead of Saturdays.

We understand that these changes will take time to get used to. Please take a close look to see if the collection day and/or week for your area has changed.

If you have any questions, please get in touch with our Solid Waste Department by calling 902-275-2330 or emailing solidwaste@chester.ca.



March 2026

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HOW SPRING WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS AFFECT YOUR ROAD

Call Kaizer Meadow at 902-275-2330 or Public Works Services at 902-275-1312 to determine if waste collection on your road is affected by the spring weight restrictions imposed by the provincial Department of Public Works. Or, visit www.novascotia.ca/tran for road updates.

If your road is affected, a smaller truck is used for collection. Garbage bags, blue/clear bags, paper, corrugated cardboard AND green carts **CAN BE COLLECTED AS USUAL. GREEN CART MATERIAL NEEDS TO BE BAGGED.**



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 WEEK A	2	3	4	5	6	7
8 WEEK B 	9	10	11	12	13	14
15 WEEK A	16	17 	18	19	20	21
22 WEEK B	23	24	25	26	27	28
29 WEEK A	30  ALTERNATE COLLECTION	31	April 1	2	3  GOOD FRIDAY NO COLLECTION SITE CLOSED	4

IS YOUR WASTE ACCESSIBLE? IS YOUR PRIVATE ROAD PASSABLE?

Do you have a collection box that you use for your waste? Do you know that it needs to be accessible in order for you to receive waste collection? Please be sure that your box or collection area is clear of snow so that your collection service isn't interrupted. Also, if you live on a private road, plow & salt/sand it BEFORE collection. If your road is not plowed, the collection truck may not collect your waste.

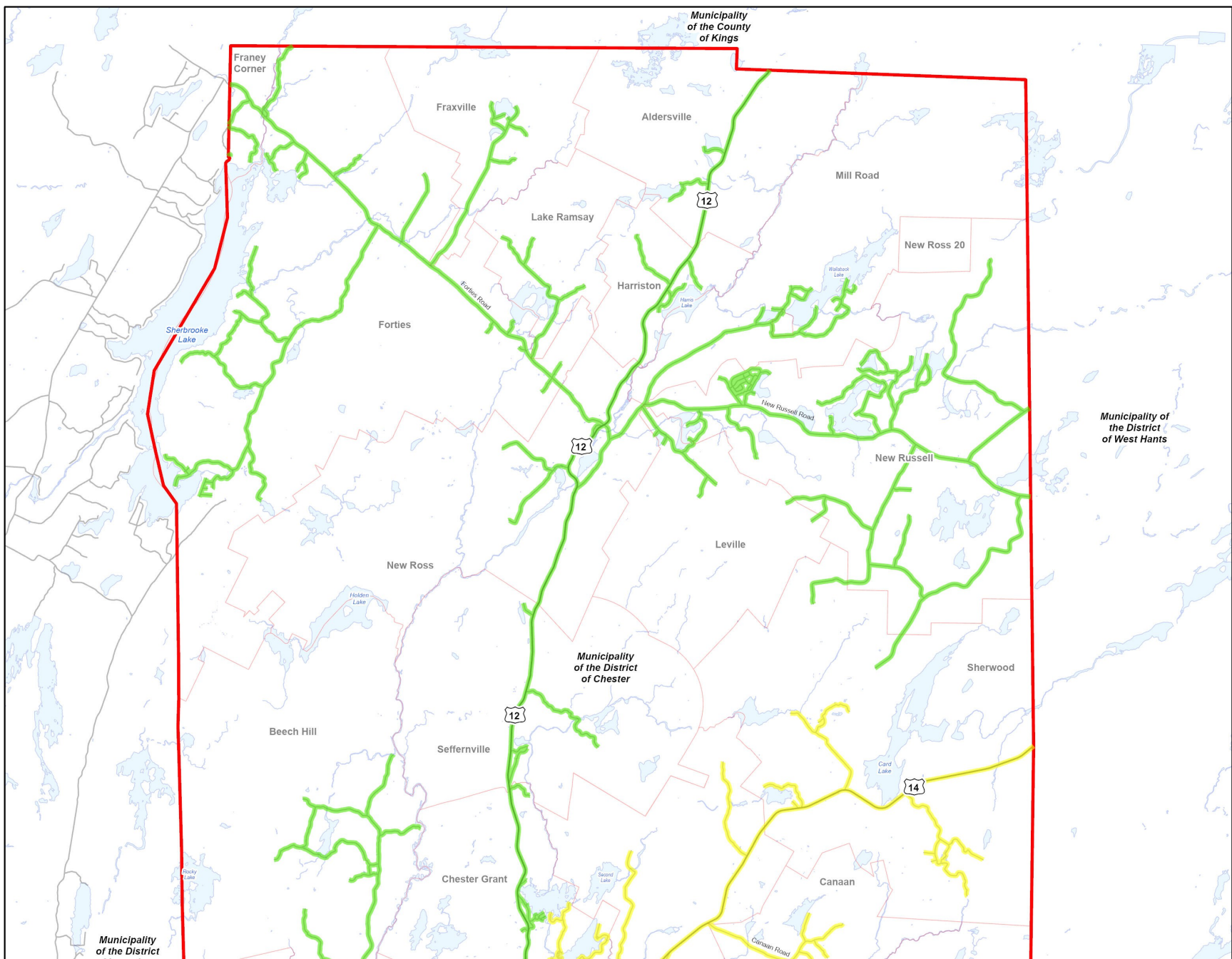
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Waste Collection Routes (Effective April 1, 2026)

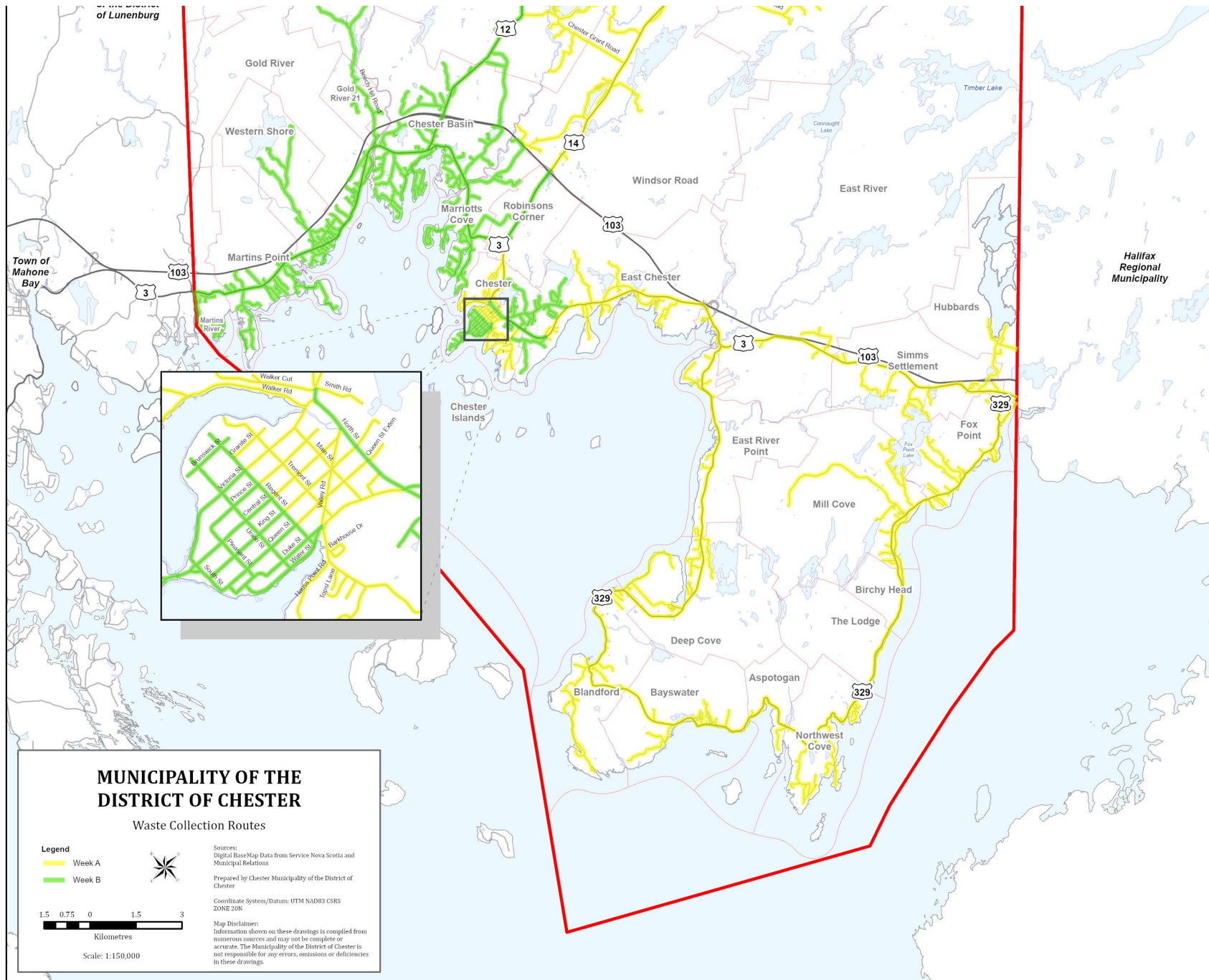
Weekday	Week A	Week B
Tuesday	Starting at the intersection of Pig Loop Rd and Hwy 3 and ending at the intersection of Pig Loop Rd and Duke St., including all roads in between, with the exception of Chester Shore Rd. All streets within the Village of Chester north of Regent St. (but not including Regent St.) and ending at North St., with the addition of Walker Cut and Walker Rd. This includes North St., King St., and Smith Rd. Starting at the intersection of Haddon Hill Rd. and Hwy 3 (across from the Old Train Station) and ending at the intersection of Hwy 3 and Hwy 14. This includes all roads in between and Smith Rd. and Robinsons Corner Rd. Starting at the intersection of Old Trunk 3 and Hwy 3 and ending at the intersection of Hwy 3 and Chester Shore Rd. This includes Stevens Rd.	Starting at the intersection of Pig Loop Rd. and Duke St., to the intersection of Duke St. and Regent St., and all streets south of Regent St. (including all of Regent St.) within the Village of Chester, including the peninsula. Starting at the intersection of Chester Shore Rd. and Hwy 3 and ending at the intersection of Haddon Hill Rd. and Hwy 3 (across from the Old Train Station), including Chester Shore Rd. Starting at the intersection of Old Trunk 3 and Hwy 3 (by the East Chester Recreational Building) and ending at the intersection of Hwy 3 and Old Trunk 3 (across from Subway), including all roads within the Chester Commons and Stanford Lake Rd.
Wednesday	Starting at the intersection of Hwy 14 and Hwy 103 and ending at the border between Chester Municipality and West Hants. This includes Chester Grant Rd. to the intersection of Chester Grant Rd. and Hwy 12.	Starting at the intersection of Hwy 3 and Hwy 14 and ending at the intersection of Hwy 14 and Hwy 103 (Exit 8 carpool). This includes Wake Up Hill Rd. Starting at the intersection of Hwy 3 and Hwy 14 and ending at the intersection of Hwy 12 and Hwy 3. This includes Borgalds Point Rd. Starting at the intersection of Hwy 12 and Hwy 3 and ending at the intersection of Hwy 12 and Hwy 103 (Exit 9 carpool). This includes Croft Rd. and Cornhill Rd.

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Weekday	Week A	Week B
Thursday	Starting at the intersection of Hwy 3 and the Rails to Trails entrances of Hubbards and ending at the EHS building in Hubbards. This includes the core area of Hubbards ('Hubbards Square' area). Starting at the intersection of Hwy 3 and Hwy 329 (Hubbards) and ending at the intersection of Hwy 329 and Tilley Point Rd. (not including Tilley Point Rd.). This includes Fox Point, Mill Cove, the Lodge, and Birchy Head.	Starting at the intersection of Hwy 12 and Hwy 103 (Exit 9 carpool) and ending at the boundary between Chester Municipality (New Ross area) and Kings County. Starting at the boundary between Chester Municipality (New Russell area) and West Hants and ending at the intersection of Hwy 12 and New Russell Rd. This includes Lake Lawson Rd. Starting at the intersection of Hwy 3 and Forties Rd. and ending where Chester Municipality (Franey Corner) meets Lunenburg Municipality. This includes the Forties.
Friday	Starting at the intersection of Hwy 3 and Hwy 329 (East River) and ending at 2400 Hwy 329. This includes part of Northwest Cove, Aspotogan, Bayswater, Blandford, Deep Cove, and part of East River. Starting at the East Chester Recreation Association building and ending at the Rails to Trails entrances in Hubbards and all roads in between. This includes Simms Settlement, Mill Lake Rd. 1 and 2, and Otter Point.	Starting at the intersection of Hwy 12 and Hwy 3 (Chester Basin) and ending at the boundary between Chester Municipality (Martins River) and Lunenburg Municipality. This includes Gold River and Western Shore.





WASTE COLLECTION

A few tips and guidelines to remember about waste collection:

COLLECTION OF WASTE

ALL WASTE must be within 10 feet of the curb or it will not be collected.



ALWAYS place your waste at the end of your own driveway and **NOT** across the street.

SOME OF THE COLLECTION ROUTES CHANGED. Waste is collected every two weeks, on your scheduled collection day. On your collection day, garbage, blue bag recyclables, recyclable paper, green cart and **ONE** bulky item will be collected. Questions? Call Kaizer Meadow.



THE START TIME for waste collection is **7 A.M.** Please be sure to have your waste curbside for **7 A.M.** Breakdowns, weather, new drivers and route changes may affect when your waste is collected. Having your waste curbside by **7 A.M.** ensures you won't be missed. Trucks **WILL NOT** return to collect waste that was put out late.

DO NOT place your waste with your neighbour's waste unless both civic addresses are posted. If the waste collectors only see one civic number posted, they will only collect the allowable bag limit and will reject the rest.

BAGS, BAGS & MORE BAGS

INDUSTRIAL SIZED BAGS (larger than 31" x 42") **CANNOT** be collected at the curb. First, they are too heavy for one person to lift into the hopper of the truck, which is 3 feet from the ground. Second, these bags are too big to fit into the hopper of some of the collection trucks. Please do not use them.



ONLY ONE black bag will be collected per collection. Any more than that will be rejected.

WASTE THAT IS PLACED in garbage cans/containers **MUST BE** bagged. Loose waste will not be collected.

THE CLEAR BAGS FOR GARBAGE PROGRAM is not just for curbside collection. The **SAME** clear bag rules apply when delivering waste to Kaizer Meadow **AND** when bagging up waste for bulky item collection. Using clear bags encourages people to recycle and compost, and it also makes it safer for the people who handle your waste.

BLACK BAGS are subject to inspection. These bags are not meant to conceal unsorted waste. The bag is meant for any type of garbage, including "personal" garbage, that you do not want your neighbour to see.

THIS & THAT

IF YOU HAVE OR USE a waste collection box, be sure it's free of loose debris. The collector is not responsible for picking up loose waste. Also, if you share a box with other neighbours, remember that only **ONE** black bag is permitted per household. Civic numbers need to be posted so that the collector knows how many bags to collect.

April 2026

Questions? Call 902-275-2330

IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING GOOD FRIDAY WASTE COLLECTION

This year, if your collection day falls on **GOOD FRIDAY** (April 3), please place your waste out for collection on **MONDAY, MARCH 30.**

**PLEASE CHECK THE CALENDAR AND
LOOK FOR THE ICONS TO SEE
WHEN YOUR COLLECTION
DAY WILL BE.**



GOING...GOING...GONE

Sometimes, mistakes happen. And sometimes, these mistakes can cost someone a valuable item. Unfortunately, these mistakes can happen during waste collection.

Sometimes, items that aren't actually meant to be collected curbside get picked up with other waste, especially with our bulky item program. Items that are placed near or with garbage, recyclables and paper will normally be collected and tossed onto the truck.

The solution? **DO NOT** place anything that you wish to keep near the curb or near your waste collection box on collection day. The collector may mistake the item as a bulky item.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
WEEK A			1	2	3  GOOD FRIDAY NO COLLECTION SITE CLOSED	4
5 WEEK B 	6	7	8	9	10	11
12 WEEK A	13	14	15	16	17	18
19 WEEK B	20	21	22	23	24	25
26 WEEK A	27	28	29	30		

PLACEMENT OF WASTE AT THE CURB

Did you know that **ALL** waste must be within 10 feet of the curb or it will not be collected?

This includes any waste collection boxes.



A FRIENDLY REMINDER

Refrigerators and freezers **CANNOT** be placed at the curb for collection. Any item, whether it contains Freon® or not, must be taken to Kaizer Meadow for disposal.

This includes dehumidifiers and air conditioners.



Collection Trucks

Garbage &
Organics



Recycling

You've probably noticed two different trucks collecting waste in your area. Did you know that one collects recyclables, and the other collects garbage **and** organics? The truck for garbage and organics is a 'split-body', keeping the two types of material **separate** from each other.

These trucks don't always show up together, so please give them time to collect your waste on collection day. Thank you!

May 2026

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FAQs

WHEN CAN I PUT MY WASTE OUT?

All waste **MUST** be curbside prior to 7 A.M. on your scheduled collection day. Waste may also be placed at the curb for collection **NOT EARLIER** than dusk of the day **PRIOR** to collection, as outlined in the Waste Collection & Disposal By-Law. The owner of the property is responsible for the waste until it is collected.

HOW MANY GARBAGE BAGS AM I ALLOWED ON COLLECTION DAY?

On your collection day, you are allowed 6 bags of garbage (1 black bag, 5 clear), 10 bags of recyclables (includes bags of paper & bundles of cardboard) and 1 green cart (3 paper bags of yard waste is permitted as well). In addition, you are allowed to place out **ONE** bulky item (ie. chair, sofa, mattress, pallet, etc).



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
WEEK A HAVE WASTE CURBSIDE FOR 7 A.M.					1	2
3 WEEK B	4	5	6	7	8	9
10 WEEK A Mother's Day	11	12	13	14	15	16
17 WEEK B	18 Victoria Day Site open as usual	19	20	21	22	23
24 WEEK A 31 WEEK B	25	26	27	28	29	30

WHAT DO I DO WITH MY EMPTY AEROSOL CANS?

Empty aerosol cans are recyclable; however, they cannot be placed in the blue bag for curbside collection as it poses a safety issue for the waste collection vehicles. Please take your empty cans to either Kaizer Meadow or Adams Bottle Exchange in Gold River.



HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE (HHW)

The Household Hazardous Waste Depot is located at Kaizer Meadow Environmental Management Centre. It is open to all residents of the Municipality of Chester during regular landfill hours.

Many products we use are hazardous and should not be thrown in the garbage. Here are a few things to keep in mind:

- Ensure that the materials being delivered to the HHW site are in their original container or a labeled container so that they can be easily identified. The containers should be in good condition and not leak.
- **If in doubt, find out!** Not sure if your material is hazardous? Call Kaizer Meadow to find out.

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS

Paint
Cleaners & Degreasers
Fertilizers
Bleaches
Expandable foams (pressurized)
Wood preservatives
Fluorescent lights, including CFLs
Solvents, varnishes, stains & thinners
Used oils & transmission fluids
Batteries
Empty and full aerosol containers
Fire extinguishers
Herbicides & pesticides



UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS

Business, industrial & institution waste
Bio-medical waste
Excessive amounts of material
PCBs, radioactives & explosives
Asbestos
Unidentified material
Compressed gas cylinders (oxygen, helium, acetylene, etc.)



- ⇒ When dropping off waste oil or gas, please make sure that these items are in a container that you do not wish to keep.
- ⇒ Please keep rechargeable batteries separate from alkaline batteries.
- ⇒ Empty aerosol cans can no longer be placed in the blue bag for recycling. Empty or full, they are hazardous. Please drop them off with other items at the HHW Depot.
- ⇒ Empty paint cans ARE NOT hazardous, however, under new program regulations, they need to be dropped off at the HHW Depot.



PROGRAM CHANGES FOR PAINT CANS

In early 2018, a new Paint Program Stewardship Plan was approved for the NS Paint Stewardship Program. Under the new plan, the program will now accept empty program paint cans, including aerosol paint cans. With that said, we are asking residents to no longer place empty cans in the garbage; empty cans should now be taken directly to Kaizer Meadow or dropped off at Adam's Bottle



INFORMATION ON HOUSEHOLD BATTERIES

Please note that there are battery collection tubes available at the Municipal Office (151 King Street) in Chester. These tubes are for **REGULAR HOUSEHOLD BATTERIES ONLY**. Any other batteries can be taken directly to Kaizer Meadow for disposal. Questions? Call 902-275-2330 or email solidwaste@chester.ca.



June 2026

NEED COMPOST?

Kaizer Meadow has a limited supply of compost that is usually ready to harvest in late spring.

Please call 902-275-2330 or email solidwaste@chester.ca for availability.



CLOTHING & TEXTILES

Do you have good or used clothing and textiles that you don't have a use for anymore?

Instead of throwing them in your clear bag for garbage, why not give them to a family member or friend? Or donate to the Salvation Army? Or drop them off at any donation box located throughout the Municipality? It reduces the amount of waste sent to the landfill and helps people in need!



Questions? Call 902-275-2330

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
WEEK B	1	2	3	4	5	6
7 WEEK A	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 WEEK B	15	16	17	18	19	20
21 WEEK A Father's Day	22	23	24	25	26	27
28 WEEK B	29  ALTERNATE COLLECTION	30	July 1  CANADA DAY NO COLLECTION SITE CLOSED	2	3	4

GET THE CORRECT INFORMATION

So many times we hear the phrase, "Somebody told me..." or "I heard that...". Sometimes, that "somebody" is wrong. To get the correct information on waste and recycling, please call Kaizer Meadow at 902-275-2330 or email solidwaste@chester.ca. Staff will gladly give you the **CORRECT** information!



Kaizer Meadow Landfill

Hours of Operation

Monday - Saturday - 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Sunday - Closed

The Kaizer Meadow Landfill is comprised of a waste management facility that actually improves the environment and an Eco-Park for green businesses. We are located at 450 Kaizer Meadow Road, Route 14, approximately 17 km North from Exit 8, Highway #103. Look for the sign!



Welcome to the Kaizer Meadow Wind Turbine Campsite! We offer visitors the opportunity to rest, visit or stay overnight in this unique setting. The area can accommodate five or six tents, has a fire pit, washroom facilities and more!

REMINDERS ABOUT KAIZER MEADOW:

- Kaizer Meadow **DOES NOT** accept asbestos waste



Kaizer Meadow originally opened in 1993. At that time, there were approximately 100 dumpsites in NS. Today, there are only seven Second Generation Landfills in NS.



Kaizer Meadow is also the home of a 98 metre tall, 2 MW wind turbine which produces enough electricity for approximately 500 homes. The cost? \$5.5 million!



Half cells are now constructed at a cost of approximately \$6 million dollars each. Construction on Kaizer Meadow's landfill cell 3B (above) was completed in September 2023.



Questions? Call 902-275-2330 or email [solid-](mailto:solid-@ns.ca)

July 2026

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING THE CANADA DAY WASTE COLLECTION

This year, if your collection day falls on **CANADA DAY** (July 1), please place your waste out for collection on **MONDAY, JUNE 29**.

PLEASE CHECK THE CALENDAR AND LOOK FOR THE ICONS TO SEE WHEN YOUR COLLECTION DAY WILL BE.



ABUSE AT PUBLIC WASTE STATIONS

Public waste stations are in place throughout the Municipality to deter people from littering. All too often, we will find household waste dumped at these stations. When dumping at a waste station takes place, it is classified as illegally dumped and is in contravention of our Solid Waste By-Law.

Please remember that household

waste, etc. **SHOULD NOT** be dumped next to a public waste station.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
WEEK B	HAVE WASTE CURBSIDE BY 7 A.M.		1 CANADA DAY NO COLLECTION SITE CLOSED	2	3	4
5 WEEK A	6	7	8	9	10	11
12 WEEK B	13	14	15	16	17	18
19 WEEK A	20	21	22	23	24	25
26 WEEK B	27	28	29	30	31	

COTTAGE WASTE

Just like at home, cottage waste **MUST** be properly sorted.

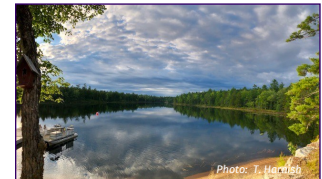
Most times, cottage roads do not have access to curbside collection.

Most will have a waste collection area at the beginning of their road.

This area is meant for the residents of that road only.

If someone dumps waste at these areas and is not permitted to, that

waste is considered illegally dumped and is in contravention of our Solid Waste By-Law.



BULKY ITEM COLLECTION

Businesses and residents can place **ONE** bulky item alongside regular waste on collection day. Below is an outline of what is acceptable and not acceptable as a bulky item. If you are still unsure, please call Kaizer Meadow at 902-275-2330. Remember: **WHEN IN DOUBT, FIND OUT!**

What classifies as a bulky item? A bulky item can be a chair, a sofa, a mattress, a washer, or a wooden pallet. It can also be **ONE** extra clear bag of garbage.

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS

- **ONE** large appliance - stoves, dishwashers, hot water tanks, etc.
 - Metals - small car parts, lawn mowers (fluids **MUST** be removed), etc.
 - **ONE** piece of furniture or mattress.
 - Lobster traps - **LIMIT** of **ONE** trap per residence; any more than this will not be collected.
 - **ONE BUNDLE** of wood - wood cannot exceed 4 feet in length & 50 lbs in weight; small pieces must be bundled, boxed or bagged.
 - **ONE BUNDLE** of drywall - drywall cannot exceed 4 feet in length & 50 lbs in weight; small pieces must be bundled, boxed or bagged.
 - **ONE BUNDLE** of asphalt shingles - asphalt shingles cannot exceed 50 lbs in weight; small pieces must be bundled, boxed or bagged.
- Electronics - see page 20 for a detailed list. These items will **NOT** be collected.
 - Tires - take to Kaizer Meadow. Retailers can also take up to 4 tires at a time, free of charge.
 - HHW - paints, oils, fuels, pesticides, etc. must be taken to Kaizer Meadow's HHW Depot. See page 28 for a detailed list.
 - Propane tanks - can be taken to Kaizer Meadow.
 - Items containing Freon® - refrigerators, freezers, dehumidifiers & air conditioners must be taken to Kaizer Meadow.
 - Bags larger than 31" x 42" will not be collected.
 - **MULTIPLE BLACK BAGS** will not be collected (only one black bag will be collected per civic address).

IF IN DOUBT, FIND OUT!

Not sure if you can put that old refrigerator or that old chair out for bulky item collection? Call Kaizer Meadow at 902-275-2330 to find out.

More Guidelines...

- **DO NOT** place anything that you wish to keep near the curb or near your waste collection box on collection day. The waste collector may mistake the item as a bulky item.
- **IF YOU CAN'T SEE IT, NEITHER CAN THE COLLECTOR.** Do not bury blue bags or recyclable paper beneath or behind your bulky item. The driver will not rummage through to look for these items. Please keep them separate and visible, or they may be missed.
- **IMPORTANT:** If you choose to have an extra bag of garbage instead of a larger item, this is acceptable. Just be sure you only have **ONE** black bag at the curb. Over the limit black bags will still be **REJECTED**.

August 2026

A FEW REMINDERS ABOUT RECYCLABLES

- Paper & recyclables **CANNOT** be mixed; paper goes in one bag & plastics & tins into another.
- Recyclables **MUST** be clean. Rinse all containers before placing them in the bag.
- Recyclables **CAN** be rejected. If bags are mixed with paper, are dirty or the bag has garbage in it, the bag will be rejected.



Questions? Call 902-275-2330

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
WEEK B						1
HAVE WASTE CURBSIDE BY 7 AM						
2 WEEK A	3 Civic holiday	4	5	6	7	8
9 WEEK B	10	11	12	13	14	15
16 WEEK A	17	18	19	20	21	22
23 WEEK B	24	25	26	27	28	29
30 WEEK A	31					

PROPANE TANKS

Propane tanks (any size) can create many safety hazards if they are not properly handled and disposed of.

NEVER throw your mini tanks in the garbage or blue bag. They could explode when being compacted on the collection trucks or if they are compacted by the landfill compactor. To dispose of any propane tank, take them to Kaizer Meadow.



IMPORTANT PROGRAM CHANGES

COMPOSTABLE BAGS & COFFEE/ PAPER CUP CONTAMINATION

Compostable (plastic-like) bags and hot/cold drink cups (Tim Hortons, McDonalds, Subway®, etc.) have a negative effect on the processing of organic material.

The compostable bags and cups get stuck in the grinding equipment at the Lunenburg Regional Community Recycling Centre (LRCRC), where our organics are processed. Additionally, when the bags and cups make their way into the curing (aging/maturing) stage, they do not break down, even a year after sitting in the compost pile. As a result, the LRCRC has asked the Municipality of Chester to support two things:

1. The use of paper-based (bags, boxboard, newspaper, etc.) liners in our green cart program or, alternatively, do not use any liners at all. Paper products are easily shredded in the grinding equipment and break down easily; and
2. Urge residents and businesses to place hot/cold drink cups into blue bag with other recyclable containers.

The Municipality of Chester fully supports the LRCRC's request, and we are urging residents and businesses to **VOLUNTARILY** make these changes, effective immediately.

If you have any questions, please contact Kaizer Meadow at 902-275-2330 or email us at solidwaste@chester.ca.



INFORMATION REGARDING USED OIL AND ANTIFREEZE CONTAINERS

In September 2019, the Province of Nova Scotia introduced a new regulation for safe disposal and recycling of used oil and glycol (antifreeze) products. The Used Oil Management Association Atlantic (UOMA) are managing this program.

What does this mean? Residents can bring their used items to the Household Hazardous Waste Depot at Kaizer Meadow for recycling. UOMA Atlantic will then collect these used containers from Kaizer Meadow for proper recycling through their program. These items include:

- used oil containers (50 litres or less)
- used antifreeze containers (50 litres or less)
- oil filters
- diesel exhaust fluid containers (50 litres or less)
- lubricating aerosols
- automotive parts cleaner

On March 1, 2020, used oil and glycol products and containers were **BANNED** from disposal in landfills.

For more information about UOMA Atlantic, this program and alternative drop off sites for these materials, please visit their website at www.uoma-atlantic.com.

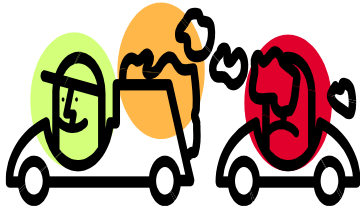


September 2026

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DELIVERING WASTE TO KAIZER MEADOW

When delivering waste to Kaizer Meadow, it is important to remember to secure **ALL** loads. Unsecured loads of waste not only can cause an unsightly mess, it can also create a huge safety hazard.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
WEEK A		1	2	3	4	5
6 WEEK B	7	8	9	10	11	12
13 WEEK A	14	15	16	17	18	19
20 WEEK B	21	22	23	24	25	26
27 WEEK A	28	29	30 National Day for Truth & Reconciliation Site Open Collection as usual			



SAFE SHARPS BRING BACK PROGRAM

Sharps are needles, syringes and lancets. **NEVER** place sharps into the garbage, recycling bags or green cart. They can seriously injure and cause unnecessary stress to the staff who handle your waste.

Ask your pharmacist for a **FREE** Safe Sharps container for your used sharps. Return the full container to the pharmacy for **FREE** and **PROPER** disposal.



ALTERNATIVE DROP-OFF SITES

Sometimes, residents will have an item that cannot be placed in the garbage or recyclables bag, such as a mini propane tank or an aerosol can. What can they do with that one item? Well, those items can always be dropped off at Kaizer Meadow, but sometimes that just isn't convenient. So, in an effort to make it a little more convenient, alternative drop-off sites are available to residents. Here are some items that cannot be collected curbside and their alternative drop off:

	Kaizer Meadow	Adam's Bottle Exchange	Hubbards Hardware	New Ross Home Hardware	Municipal Office
Aerosol cans (empty or full)	✓	✓			
Used oil & gasoline	✓				
Computer components & other Electronic waste	✓	✓			
Fluorescent lights & CFLs	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Herbicides & pesticides	✓				
Old cell phones	✓				✓
Household batteries	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Mini propane tanks	✓				
Half-full & empty paint cans	✓	✓			
Lead-acid batteries (automotive)	✓				



R6RECYCLES

Questions about your waste collection schedule or what goes where?
Download the **R6RECYCLES** app!

Or, go to www.chester.ca/r6recycles and get all the information the app offers.



October 2026

FAQs

HOW MANY BAGS CAN I PUT OUT ON COLLECTION DAY?

RESIDENTS are entitled to following collection, every two weeks:

- bags of garbage (1 black bag, 5 clear)
- 10 bags of recyclables/recyclable paper/bundles of cardboard
- 1 green cart
- 1 bulky item (see page 12 for details)

WHEN CAN I PUT MY WASTE OUT?

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CAN I THROW MY REGULAR LIGHTBULBS IN THE GARBAGE?

No. A wide range of lightbulbs can be recycled, including incandescent, fluorescent tubes and CFLs and LEDs.

Questions? Call 902-275-2330

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
WEEK A				1	2	3
4 WEEK B	5	6	7	8	9	10
11 WEEK A	12  Thanksgiving Site open	13	14	15	16	17
18 WEEK B	19	20	21	22	23	24
25 WEEK A	26	27	28	29	30	31

7 A.M. - BE THERE OR BE LATE!

7 A.M. is when the waste collector starts collecting your waste. Although the collector tries to maintain pick up times, sometimes this is not possible. New drivers, road conditions and breakdowns may alter collection times. Please do not get accustomed to placing your waste out later than 7 A.M. If waste is placed out late, trucks **WILL NOT** return to collect it.



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ACCEPTABLE ITEMS

Paint
Cleaners & Degreasers
Fertilizers
Bleaches
Expandable foams (pressurized)
Wood preservatives
Fluorescent lights, including CFLs
Solvents, varnishes, stains & thinners
Used oils & transmission fluids
Batteries
Empty and full aerosol containers
Fire extinguishers
Herbicides & pesticides



UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS

Business, industrial & institution waste
Bio-medical waste
Excessive amounts of material
PCBs, radioactives & explosives
Asbestos
Unidentified material
Compressed gas cylinders (oxygen, helium, acetylene, etc.)
Flares (take directly to local RCMP office)
Ammunition (take directly to local RCMP office)



- ⇒ When dropping off waste oil or gas, please make sure that these items are in a container that you do not wish to keep.
- ⇒ Please keep rechargeable batteries separate from alkaline batteries.
- ⇒ Empty aerosol cans can no longer be placed in the blue bag for recycling. Empty or full, they are hazardous. Please drop them off with other items at the HHW Depot.
- ⇒ Empty paint cans ARE NOT hazardous, however, under new program regulations, they need to be dropped off at the HHW Depot.



PROGRAM CHANGES FOR PAINT CANS

In early 2018, a new Paint Program Stewardship Plan was approved for the NS Paint Stewardship Program. Under the new plan, the program will now accept empty program paint cans, including aerosol paint cans. With that said, we are asking residents to no longer place empty cans in the garbage; empty cans should now be taken directly to Kaizer Meadow or dropped off at Adam's Bottle Exchange in Gold River.



INFORMATION ON HOUSEHOLD BATTERIES

Please note that there are battery collection tubes available at the Municipal Office (151 King Street) in Chester. These tubes are for **REGULAR HOUSEHOLD BATTERIES ONLY**. Any other batteries can be taken directly to Kaizer Meadow for disposal.

There is also a box to drop off old cell phones. Questions? Call 902-275-2330.



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DON'T FORGET!
LEAF & YARD WASTE WILL BE COLLECTED THIS MONTH



LEAVES IN CLEAR, PLASTIC BAGS WILL BE COLLECTED FROM NOVEMBER 14 - 25 ON YOUR REGULAR SCHEDULED DAY.

Special leaf collection is the only time that **CLEAR, PLASTIC** bags can be used to bag leaves. It is also the only time that an **UNLIMITED** amount of bagged leaves will be collected.

During regular collection, yard waste (leaves, grass clippings, garden trimmings, etc.) can go in your green cart. If your green cart is full, you can put **UP TO THREE PAPER BAGS** alongside your green cart each collection. Paper bags are always the preferred option.

DO NOT put branches in a bag. Please tie them in 3' long bundles and place them in the green cart and **ONLY IF THEY DO NOT EXCEED 2" IN DIAMETER OR STICK OUT OF THE TOP OF THE CART.**



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 WEEK B	2	3	4	5	6	7
8 WEEK A 	9  ALTERNATE COLLECTION	10 ←	11  REMEMBRANCE DAY NO COLLECTION SITE CLOSED	12	13	14
15 WEEK B	16 	17	18	19	20	21
22 WEEK A	23 	24	25	26	27	28
29 WEEK B	30	SPECIAL LEAF COLLECTION IS ON YOUR REGULAR DAY DURING THESE TWO WEEKS				

IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING REMEMBRANCE DAY WASTE COLLECTION

This year, if your collection day falls on **REMEMBRANCE DAY** (Nov. 11), please place your waste out for collection on **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9.**

PLEASE CHECK THE CALENDAR AND LOOK FOR THE ICONS TO SEE WHEN YOUR COLLECTION DAY WILL BE.



Waste Collection Information & Alerts



There are a few different ways that you can receive information about waste collection, including:



Our Website

Visit chester.ca/waste-recycling for general information or chester.ca/closures-cancellations for information about canceled collections.



R6Recycles App

Sign up for weekly reminders and service alerts.



Email Notifications

Sign up for waste collection notifications at chester.ca/contact/municipal-notifications.



CKBW Radio Station

Notices about holiday collections and collection cancellations are shared here.

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING CHRISTMAS DAY, BOXING DAY & NEW YEAR'S DAY 2027 WASTE COLLECTION

This year, if your collection day falls on **CHRISTMAS DAY** (Dec. 25), please place your waste out for collection on **MONDAY, DECEMBER 21**.

If your collection day falls on **NEW YEAR'S DAY** (Jan. 1), 2027, please place your waste out on **MONDAY, DECEMBER 28**.

**PLEASE CHECK THE CALENDAR AND
LOOK FOR THE ICONS TO SEE WHEN
YOUR COLLECTION WILL BE.**



Questions? Call 902-275-2330

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27 WEEK B	28  ALTERNATE COLLECTION	29	30	31	January 1  NEW YEAR'S DAY NO COLLECTION SITE CLOSED	2

TAKING DOWN THE CHRISTMAS TREE?

No problem! Place it out on your next waste collection day and it will be collected as your bulky item!



The Municipality
of Chester would
like to wish
everyone a very
happy
holiday season!



BROKEN CHRISTMAS BULBS?

No problem! **ALL** broken glass **NEEDS** to be placed in a sealed box and labeled "**BROKEN GLASS**". Place the box alongside your other waste on your collection day.



Municipality of the District of Chester's Waste Sorting Guide

Organics (Green cart)	Containers (Blue bag #1)	Paper (Blue bag #2)	Garbage (Black or clear bag)
• All food scraps (peelings, bones, seafood shells, etc.) • Paper towels & napkins • Wet or soiled paper or box board • Waxed paper • Paper dishes • Wooden stir sticks • Sawdust & wood shavings (douse with water before collection to avoid a blowing hazard) • Twigs & small brush • If your cart is full, put a maximum of 3 paper bags of leaves out per collection	• Plastic containers, tubs, lids & bottles (shampoo, yogurt, detergent, cookie trays, cleaning fluid bottles, etc.) • Aluminum foil, cans, pie plates & trays • Ice cream cartons • Cookie dough spiral cans • Glass bottles and cans • Beverage containers • Frozen juice cans • Toothpaste tubes • Deodorant containers • Plastic plant pots and seedling trays • Paper drink cups (like coffee cups)	• Newspaper & flyers • Magazines • Boxboard (paper towel & toilet paper rolls, cereal boxes, frozen food boxes, tissue boxes & shoe boxes) • File folders • Greeting cards • Egg cartons & paper trays • Pet food bags • Corrugated cardboard (flatten boxes & tie in 2' x 2' x 3' bundles & place next to other bags of recyclable paper).	• Cigarette butts • Clothing & footwear • Wallpaper • Disposable diapers • Feminine products • Kitty litter & pet waste • Vacuum bags & floor sweepings • Broken glass (place in box and label "BROKEN GLASS") • Kleenex® • Compostable plastics • Household hazardous waste must be taken directly to Kaizer Meadow in a labeled container that will not leak.



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Enviro Depot™	Other	More Information
• Beverage containers (excluding milk cartons) can be returned for a refund. At participating Enviro Depots™ found at circularmaterials.ca/nsdepots: • Non-hazardous aerosol containers (hairspray, air freshener) • plastic laminates (coffee pouches; chip bags, cereal liner bags) • flexible and rigid foam (meat trays, packing peanuts). Using your phone camera, scan the QR code above to find a depot near you.	• Batteries - can be dropped off at the Municipal building (151 King Street, Chester) or the Kaizer Meadow Landfill. • Paint and empty cans - can be dropped off at the Kaizer Meadow Landfill or another recycling location found at www.productcare.org/recycling-locator/. • Medication/Syringes - return to your local pharmacy for safe disposal for free.	For more information about what goes where and receive weekly notifications, download the R6 Recycles App! For questions, call our Solid Waste department at (902) 275-2330, or email solidwaste@chester.ca. THE MUNICIPALITY OF CHESTER

KaizerMeadow

Environmental Management Centre

Municipality of the District of Chester

Solid Waste Department

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