



Trash/Refuse Schedule 2026

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BULK ITEM PICKUP

Residents may dispose of one (1) bulk item per week through curb side collection.

Please have your waste, recycling and one bulk item available for collection at the curb by 6:00 a.m. on your scheduled day. The hauler may pick up between 6:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Accepted materials – appliances (**NOTHING CONTAINING FREON**), furniture, mattresses, box springs, plumbing fixtures such as toilets and sinks, three (3) four-foot rolls of carpet (tied).

Unacceptable materials – Electronic waste (computers, televisions, etc.), chemicals, stains, liquids, batteries, automobile parts, hazardous waste, tires, tires on rims, commercial and industrial waste, construction materials (drywall, brick, block, lumber, shingles, tiles, concrete, replaced windows, etc.).

Additional instructions – Items which are too heavy to be lifted into a truck by two people will not be accepted. Additional trash bags are NOT considered a bulk item.

Recycling Schedule 2026

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PURPLE – east of Spring Twp. And west of Mohnton, including: Montrose Manor, Lincoln Park, Thomas Gardens, Welsh Woods, Sugarloaf, Wheaton Heights, Mohnton Lawn, Grings Hill Estates, Rolling Hills, Madison Heights, Colonial Hills, Summerfield, Springdale, Gouglersville, Vermont Rd., Hampshire Rd., Yorkshire Rd., Five Mile Hill, Old Lancaster Pike, Foxfield, Governor Pointe

BLUE – south of Shillington & Mohnton, west of SR 625, including: Hendleton, Wyomissing Rd., Pennwyn, Park Manor, Rose Tree, Welsh Rd., Oregon Rd., Ledgerock Rd., Holly Terrace, Chestnut Hill Farms, Overbrook, Steever's Glen, Cedar Heights, Paumar Estates, Cedar Top Rd., Ashley Run

YELLOW – north side of SR 724, including: Farview, Mifflin Park, Hillaire, Ridge Park, Arcadia, Clover Park, Mt. View Rd., Evergreen Park, Deerfield, Cheriton Place, Pine Hill Estates, Pine Knoll, SR 10 (north of SR 724)

GREEN – south of SR 724, east of SR 625, west of SR 10, including: Freemansville Rd., Mt. Penn Rd., Seven Springs, Hessian Pines, Quail Ridge, Angelica, Vineyards, Imperial Dr., Maple Grove Rd., Candy Rd., Fawn Dr., Stonehill, Hidden Pond

RED – south of SR 724, east of SR 10, including: Flying Hills, Valley Stream Rd., Ridgeway Rd., S. 9th Street

2026 Refuse and Sewer Fees

FEE FOR REFUSE AND RECYCLING SERVICE

In 2026, the fees for refuse/recycling removal are \$320.00 for a dwelling with two or more adult occupants and \$290.00 for a dwelling with a single adult occupant. The due date and time for payment of the fee with no late payment penalty will be 3/31/26, at 4:30 p.m. Late fees will be charged after that date and time. A 5% late payment penalty will be added to unpaid accounts after 3/31/26, at 4:30 p.m., through 5/29/26, at 4:30 p.m. A 10% late payment penalty, calculated from the base fee, will be added to unpaid accounts after 5/29/26, at 4:30 p.m., through 6/30/26, at 4:30 p.m. Any accounts unpaid after 6/30/26, at 4:30 p.m. will be referred to a collection agency. Fees for 2026 refuse/recycling and SMP will be billed on one postcard in January. Only full payment is accepted. Failure to receive a bill does not relieve the property owner of any charges, including penalty.



FEE FOR ON-LOT SEWAGE SYSTEMS MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (SMP)

In 2026, the SMP fee is \$55.00 for each property served by on-lot sewage disposal, except for properties that are subject to a special maintenance agreement (such as a small flow treatment system or holding tank). The due date and time for payment of the fee with no late payment penalty will be 3/31/26, at 4:30 p.m. Late fees will be charged after that date and time. A 5% late payment penalty will be added to unpaid accounts after 3/31/26, at 4:30 p.m., through 5/29/26, at 4:30 p.m. A 10% late payment penalty, calculated from the base fee, will be added to unpaid accounts after 5/29/26, at 4:30 p.m., through 6/30/26, at 4:30 p.m. Any accounts

unpaid after 6/30/26, at 4:30 p.m., will be referred to a collection agency. If an on-lot sewage disposal system is subject to a special maintenance agreement as described in section 9 of ordinance 740, the fees associated with that maintenance agreement will apply. Fees with respect to on-lot sewage system testing, design, permitting, construction observation, and appeals are addressed separately. Fees for 2026 refuse/recycling and SMP will be billed on one postcard in January. Only full payment is accepted. Failure to receive a bill does not relieve the property owner of any charges, including penalty.

FEES FOR SANITARY SEWER SERVICE

Sanitary sewer postcard bills are issued in February, May, August, and November with 30-day due dates in March, June, September, and December. For accounts on public water, the bills are based on readings from the servicing water companies for the prior quarter (plus any late fees, if applicable). The basic rate is \$145.00 for the first 7,500 gallons of water consumed and \$0.019333 per gallon for each gallon over 7,500 gallons consumed. Some public water accounts are read in cubic feet; Township staff

can assist with understanding gallon equivalences for those accounts. For accounts obtaining water from on-site wells, and not connected to a public water system, the flat basic rate per quarter is \$200.00. A 2.5% late payment penalty will be added to accounts unpaid after the respective quarter's due date. Delinquent accounts of \$1,000 or more, or unpaid for 120 days or more, will be referred to collections. Failure to receive a bill does not relieve the property owner of any charges, including penalty.

Regular business hours are Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; closed weekends and holidays. Drop boxes are available (no cash). Credit card payments can be made by phone or in person (fee applies). Call 610 777 1343 for more information.

LITTER From the Pa Department of Environmental Protection

Why care about litter? Litter is improperly managed waste. It can include waste that is intentionally improperly disposed, such as cigarette butts, food packaging, and other trash discarded by pedestrians and motorists. Litter also includes waste that is unintentionally improperly disposed, such as trash from overflowing trash cans, unsecured loads that accidentally release trash from pick-up truck beds or other open vehicle compartments, or vehicle debris from vehicle accidents. Whether intentional or unintentional, litter negatively affects the environment, quality of life, and economic development in communities across Pennsylvania.

What can we do to reduce litter?

1. Reduce consumption of single-use products.
2. For single-use products, make them recyclable products whenever possible.
3. Dispose of trash properly, including cigarette-related trash.
4. Leave No Trace. Check out the PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources' website for more information.
5. Secure loaded vehicles.



BARRELING ALONG From the United States Environmental Protection Agency

Non-point source pollution is caused by rainfall or snowmelt (stormwater) moving over and through the ground, carrying pollutants with it to streams, reservoirs, and rivers. Types of pollutants include excess herbicides (weed killer), insecticide, and soil eroded away from stream banks. Non-point source pollution can affect drinking water and kill fish. A rain barrel helps reduce non-point source pollution by capturing rooftop runoff for use in irrigating gardens and lawns.

Rainbarrel tips

- Do not use rain barrel water for drinking, cooking, or bathing.
- Make sure the screen is secure on the intake to prevent mosquitoes from breeding in your rain barrel.
- Divert the overflow to a grassy or planted area.
- Disconnect the rain barrel during the winter to avoid freezing and breaking of the rain barrel.



VEGETATION MANAGEMENT

Property Owners are Responsible

Property owners are responsible for preventing vegetation from creating an obstruction that overhangs the edge of the road. Examples include, but are not limited to, tree limbs, shrubbery, hedges, and grasses. Many activities occur close to the curb or edge with large vehicles that can be impacted when these obstructions exist. Examples include snow and ice removal, street sweeping, street paving, trash collection, school bus travel, utility work, and deliveries. Overgrown tree limbs and vegetation can also impact sight distance for the motoring public. This can be a safety concern. For tree limbs, clearance above the cartway should be a minimum of 14 feet (ordinance no. 137). Shrubs and grasses that affect sight distance, such as at intersections, should be cut back.

Property owners are also responsible for preventing vegetation from creating a pedestrian obstruction that overhangs a sidewalk. Clearance above sidewalks should be a minimum of 7 1/2 feet (ordinance no. 137). In winter, property owners with sidewalk are required to clear or treat snow/ice within 24 hours of winter precipitation (ordinance no. 78).

Grass clippings should not be blown onto the cartway (ordinance no. 710). Stormwater runoff washes grass clippings into storm drains, then other debris can be caught in clumps of grass which in turn leads to clogged storm drains and localized flooding. Grass and debris carried by stormwater also pollute



receiving streams. "Grasscycling" is recommended by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection for best practices with respect to lawn maintenance ([https://www.pa.gov/agencies/dep,search "grasscycling"](https://www.pa.gov/agencies/dep,search%20grasscycling)).

BUSINESS AND LANDLORD REGISTRATION



Businesses operating within Cumru Township are required to register with the municipal office on an annual basis (ordinance no. 633). This includes businesses that are home occupations, such as a professional office. If a business is discontinued or sold, please contact the Township office so the property record can be updated.

Landlords of either businesses or dwelling units are required to register in Cumru Township (ordinance no. 573). If a tenancy is discontinued, please contact the Township office so the property record can be updated.

For more information on registering a business or as a landlord, please contact Cumru Township at (610) 777 1343.

Leaf Collection

LEAVES MAY NOT BE PLACED OUT FOR REFUSE COLLECTION OCTOBER THROUGH DECEMBER. Leaf collection on all dedicated roads and streets is scheduled to start the second week of October and continue for nine weeks **or until the first significant snow fall.** Leaves should be placed in the gutter for collection. Leaves should not be placed out in bags or containers. Leaves in bags or containers will not be picked up at this time. The leaf collection crew will work through the Township on a continuing basis without a published day and area schedule. Leaves may be placed in regular refuse containers January through September. Township residents are encouraged to mulch or compost leaves at their residences if possible. Leaf piles that contain large general yard debris cannot be picked up by leaf vacuums.

Christmas Tree Drop Off

Residents can drop Christmas trees at "Tree Drop" signs located at the Warren Recreation Parking Lot, Gouglersville and Grill Fire Stations, the Montrose Manor Playground, the Penwyn Playground (lower level parking lot on Wyomissing Avenue), Augusta Lane in Flying Hills, the rear of Giant, on Harding Avenue, between Tioga Avenue and Bradford Avenue. Look for the signs. Trees may be dropped off at these points until January 31, 2026. Wood chips resulting from the trees are available to residents of the Township on first call basis. For further information, contact the Township Office.

MS4 PROGRAM

Cumru Township is required to participate in the PA Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) program. A part of Cumru's program is to maintain membership in several local organizations advocating for and working towards improving water quality in area streams, which ultimately improves drinking water quality for many communities. Cumru Township is part of the Wyomissing Creek Watershed Coalition, a multi-municipal cooperative effort to address major sources of sediment pollution in the Wyomissing Creek. The WCWC is designing projects throughout the watershed to reduce erosion in the stream corridor and participates in public education activities about the impact of stormwater runoff in the watershed, in cooperation with the Berks County MS4 Steering Committee. Cumru Township also contributes to public education and stream clean-up activities by the Angelica Creek Watershed Association, in association with Berks Nature.

Recycling Events

Please see www.co.berks.pa.us/dept/swa for updates on recycling events.

Registration required for these events.

Household Hazardous Waste -

April 11, 2026

October 10, 2026

Paper Shredding

April 18, 2026

October 3, 2026

Please see www.co.berks.pa.us/dept/swa for updates on recycling events

Pharmaceutical Waste -

Medication Drop Box Program

Located in the lobby of the Cumru Township office building (upper level) at 1775 Welsh Rd., Mohnton, PA. Available during Township office hours, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday-Friday, except holidays.

Electronic Recycling -

Free to Berks County Residents

Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday

8:00 AM - Noon

County Recycling Center, 1316 Hilltop Rd., Leesport, Pa. 19533

Tire Collection -

Fees apply

Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday

8:00 AM - Noon

County Recycling Center, 1316 Hilltop Rd., Leesport, Pa. 19533

Automotive tires only.

Four (4) per vehicle maximum.



TOWNSHIP OF CUMRU

BERKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
1775 WELSH ROAD
MOHNTON, PA 19540
www.cumrutownship.com

Fee Details Inside



Recycle!
It's good for you.
It's good for Cumru.
It's the law!
Ordinance #458

YARD WASTE DROP OFF SITE

January-March, 2nd Saturday, 10 A.M. to 12 Noon

April-October, 2nd and 4th Saturdays, 9 A.M. to 1 P.M.

November and December, 2nd Saturday, 10 A.M. to 12 Noon

Note: Curbside yard waste collection takes place on a rotating Saturday in April and October for each refuse collection district. Please see the 2026 Refuse Collection Schedule for specific dates and requirements.

Location: Poplar Neck Road, northwest side.

Please watch Cumru Township website for any schedule changes.

The following items will be accepted: Leaves, Garden Debris, Brush and Bushes, Tree Trimmings, Weeds, Flowers and Garden Plants.

The following items will NOT be accepted: No Commercial Vehicles, No Stumps, **No Grass**, No Plastic Bags, No Root Balls, No Treated or Painted Wood, No Railroad Ties, No Tree Branches larger than 5 feet long and 6 inches in diameter, **NO GLASS OR TRASH** Kraft Paper Bags must be emptied.

Fines of up to \$300 will be issued for illegal dumping. Open ONLY to residents of Cumru Township, identification will be required! No commercial vehicles are allowed. The site will be patrolled by police and is under video surveillance. Cumru Township reserves the right to modify the list of items taken at the yard waste site.

Township Information

Administration – (610) 777-1343 • Police Department Administration – (610) 777-9595

Sewer Department – (610) 777-1343 • Tax Collector – (610) 775-8834

Recycling Info: www.co.berks.pa.us/dept/swa • Phone: (610) 478-6362 • Fax: (610) 478-3470

Trash/Refuse Collection

Collection shall be once a week for normal, everyday household refuse. No construction waste. Please refer to the attached "Trash Schedule" and color code to determine the collection days for your household. NO HOT ASHES.

Approved refuse containers include 33 gallon cans with handles or tied polyethylene bags, or equivalent, which are designed especially for storage and collection purposes. Refuse containers shall not weight more than 50 pounds each when filled. It is understood that all refuse must be in such containers or securely tied in bundles, in which case a bundle will be considered a container as far as maximum weight is concerned, and no bundle shall exceed 3 feet in length or 18 inches in diameter. Containers are to be provided by the property owners. Each collection is limited to six bags or cans and one (1) bulk item. See other side for bulk item restrictions.

Brush/Yard Waste 2026

There will be curbside "brush/yard waste" pickups during 2026. The schedule is as follows:

If your trash day is Monday: pickup will be Sat., April 4, 2026, and Sat., October 3, 2026

If your trash day is Tuesday: pickup will be Sat., April 11, 2026, and Sat., October 10, 2026

If your trash day is Wednesday: pickup will be Sat., April 18, 2026, and Sat., October 17, 2026

If your trash day is Thursday or Friday: pickup will be Sat., April 25, 2026, and Sat., October 24, 2026

Please Note:

1. All brush/yard waste must be set out the night prior to collection. There will be no re-run routes.
2. All brush/yard waste is to be in kraft bags (biodegradable bags) or tied securely with a rope of twine not to exceed two (2) feet in diameter, and three (3) feet in length. No wood over four (4) inches in diameter will be taken because of possible damage to trucks. No bundles or bags weighing over forty (40) pounds.
3. The limit per household is 12 bags or bundles.
4. No firewood, stumps, dirt, or rocks will be taken as part of this collection.

Recycling Collection

Recycling collection shall continue to be every other week. Please refer to the attached "Recycling Schedule" and color code to determine the collection days for your household.

Note: Our recycling program is a single-stream program. This means all recycling materials can be mixed in the recycling container. Items to be placed in the blue and yellow recycling container include: clear, brown and green glass; aluminum, steel and bimetal cans; plastics marked 1 through 7. We will now accept corrugated cardboard and cereal boxes, (no waxed cardboard or boxes that came in direct contact with food, such as pizza boxes), no styrofoam, paper board, newspapers, magazines, and phone books. Please break down all boxes.

Holiday Rules

Trash and recycling collections shall not be made on the following holidays: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas. All services will be delayed one day if the holiday falls on or before your service day. Please follow the color-coded calendar.

If you experience any problems with your trash or recycling collection, call the Township Office during the next business day at **(610) 777-1343.**