

**WINDHAM SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
SWAP SHOP PROGRAM**



**GENERAL GUIDELINES**

**SWAP PROGRAM HOURS:**

- Shopping & Donations, every Saturday from 8:30am-12 noon  
(Opens 2nd Saturday in April & closes the Saturday before Thanksgiving in November)
- Due to the need to close promptly at noon, large loads of donations may not be accepted after 11:30 am.

**PURPOSE:** The WSWMD Swap Program, at 327 Old Ferry Rd in Brattleboro, was created to keep as many items out of the landfill as possible and to be a free outlet for items that are still usable. The program is run entirely by volunteers.

**INTENT:** To make items available to all persons, and not to allow one or a few persons to monopolize the facility. Therefore, any Swap Program volunteer has the right to restrict or refuse an individual's access to the facility for whatever reason. Items are available free to anyone, for their personal use. Dealers and metal salvagers are not allowed to use the Swap Program.

**GUIDELINES:**

- Use other available outlets (such as Experienced Goods, Goodwill, newspaper classifieds, thrift stores, consignment shops, Front Porch Forum, freecycle.org, iBrattleboro.com classifieds, Craigslist, and/or Facebook Marketplace) before bringing items to the Swap Program.
- A Swap volunteer will decide if an item will be accepted before the item is left. Please refer to the list of Acceptable & Unacceptable Items. Acceptable items may vary depending on space.
- If an item is not accepted, WSWMD has recycling and disposal options for most items, however published disposal fees will apply.
- Items must be clean and in working order.
- Items should be assembled. If necessary to disassemble to transport, please reassemble at Swap.
- All items are offered without warranty of any kind.
- Please enter through the main gate, turn left towards the swap building and follow signs to the left for the separate shopping & donation parking areas.
- The Swap Program is for residential/personal use only, not commercial or resale.
- Only Swap volunteers will attend to the delivering vehicles.
- Only Swap volunteers are to be in the office and receiving area.
- Smoking is not allowed in the Swap Program building or in the immediate area.
- Idling of vehicles is not allowed.
- Visitors are encouraged to submit new ideas or suggestions to Swap volunteers or [swapshop@wswmd.org](mailto:swapshop@wswmd.org)

**INFORMATION & QUESTIONS:**

Interested in becoming a Swap Shop Volunteer? Ask a Swap volunteer how or send us an email! Swap Program information is available at <https://windhamsolidwaste.org/transfer-station/swap-shop/> Email questions to [swapshop@wswmd.org](mailto:swapshop@wswmd.org)

## ACCEPTABLE & UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS

The Swap Program volunteers will decide whether or not the items presented will be accepted as the WSWMD does not want the Swap Program to become a free disposal site. This list will be updated from time to time and also may change depending on space and other considerations.



**ACCEPTABLE ITEMS:** Following are examples of items we usually will accept.

- Household items: e.g. kitchenware, dishes, utensils, lamps, lamp shades, picture frames
- Small household appliances: e.g. toaster, toaster oven, iron, blender, mixer, air fryer, griddle
- Non-upholstered furniture: e.g. chairs, tables, bed frames, small tables, bookcases (no particle board)
- Books (no text books or encyclopedias)
- Toys (complete), highchairs, kid furniture
- Construction materials: eg. lumber, bricks, blocks, electric wire, outlet boxes, hardware, building fixtures
- Cabinets, shelves, counters (no particle board)
- Plumbing: pipes & fittings, hoses
- Usable paints and stains
- Gas engine equipment: e.g. lawn mowers, snowblowers, weed whackers, leaf blowers
- Lawn/garden furniture & equipment
- Fire pits, yard ornaments, plant pots
- Farm equipment
- Sports equipment- (No skis)
- Pet supplies
- Craft materials & art supplies
- Office supplies
- Holiday decorations
- Electronic equipment (stereos, boom boxes, clock radios, DVD players, CD players-*excluding computers/printers/fax machines*)
- Musical instruments
- DVD & VHS movies & records and CDs (No homemade items)
- Luggage in good condition
- Linens and fabrics
- Tools (hand and power tools)



**UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS:** Following are examples of items we usually will not accept.

At times there may be additional items we will not accept due to space or other considerations.

If an item is not accepted, WSWMD has disposal options for most items (published fees will apply).

- Major appliances: e.g. refrigerators, cook stoves, washers, dryers, air conditioners, dehumidifiers
- Upholstered furniture
- Particle board furniture
- Mattresses
- Clothing
- TVs (only acceptable if it is a relatively new flat screen with original remote)
- Tires
- Computers/printers/fax machines
- Toilets
- Medical equipment & supplies
- Smoke detectors, carbon monoxide detectors, & fire extinguishers
- Car seats
- Life vests
- Helmets
- Pesticides
- Text books and/or encyclopedias
- Boxes of intermixed toys
- Ski boots
- Skis
- Sinks

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