

FIRE ISLAND GARBAGE SIMPLIFYING A COMPLEX PROCESS

Do to the unique environment Fire Island garbage collection presents a few minor issues. The Maintenance staff uses relatively small trucks for collection. The garbage is transferred into the small trucks and then transferred again into larger containers at the Village Yard. In order to continue the use of smaller trucks it is important for all refuse to be packaged so as to fit and not blow around. Unlike “mainland” trucks our trucks have high sides and no compaction ability. Tied bags and secured papers allow us to avoid the use of larger commercial trucks and is an important part of keeping the community clean. Please follow these basic rules listed below and thanks for your cooperation

- **Please do not put out cardboard boxes.** They will not be picked up. Unfortunately due to the small size of our trucks they take up too much room. Cardboard must be flattened out and taped or tied. Do not fill boxes with garbage or loose paper!!



- **Do not put recyclable bottles or cans in bags.** They must be placed loose in the wrap pail. There should never be any paper or cardboard placed in the wrap pail!!!



- **Junk items are listed on the Village placard.** If it does not fit loosely in a 20 gallon pail (a large kitchen garbage pail) we will not have room to take it. The Village carter should be called.
- **Household garbage must be in a tied bag.** For several reasons garbage pails are not lifted and dumped into the village truck. The tied bags are pulled out and tossed into the truck. If the bags are untied the garbage will blow out of the truck. If your garbage is untied or loose we will not be able to pick it up.





- Last but not least, **Please tape or tie all newspapers and magazines.** Again due to our unique environment and pick up restrictions, any loose papers could be blown around.



VERNON'S TOP TEN DOs AND DON'Ts FOR SALTAIRE GARBAGE COLLECTION



DO Recycle: The Village of Saltaire is a recycling community, BUT we collect for recycling ONLY the following products:

- Plastic jugs and bottles (from food, drink, detergent, bleach, shampoo, etc.) with a  or  symbol on the bottom of the container. (All other plastic containers go in regular household garbage)
- Metal cans, glass bottles and jars (from food or drink, medicine, etc.)

DO put your recyclables in the specially designated Recycling Can, but **DO NOT PUT A BAG** in the can. It only slows down the collection process. Place items loose in the Recycling Can. (Recycling Cans are available for \$25 per can. Contact the Village Office.)

DO use our small battery recycling can located in the Security Office on Bay Prom. All AAA through D batteries should be deposited in this can for recycling.

DO tie all household refuse securely in a plastic bag. An untied or loosely tied bag slows the collection process and can cause garbage to be spilled on the walk. **WE WILL NOT PICK UP ANY UNBAGGED, UNTIED REFUSE.**



DO put all plastic bags in a garbage can or enclosure that can be securely closed against animals. There are a number of animal species that **WILL** get into garbage cans if not securely fastened with either handle locks, bungee cords or **BOTH**.

DO break down, flatten and tie cardboard boxes and all brush into bundles no larger than 24" x 30". **DO** bundle & tie all newspapers, magazines, etc., but **DO NOT** place them in a container.

DO place Junk Items into **one** separate pail of maximum size of 20 gallons. Items should be placed loosely in the pail so they can be dumped directly into the truck. For anything larger, you should contact the Village carter Barry Wetherall to remove them.

Examples of Junk Items are: Paint and oil cans, ceramics, light bulbs, mirrors, windowpanes, broken glass, nails, metal utensils, razor blades, steel wool, plastic flowerpots, Styrofoam packing material, used fire extinguishers, cushions, pillows, drapes, etc.

DO give our garbage collection trucks the right of way. The drivers must negotiate our narrow walks, often while in reverse and always keeping an eye out for small children and bicycles. Please give the right of way to a pick-up truck that is on the same walk; that is, proceed to the closet ramp and allow the truck to pass.

DO have your trash ready for pick-up by 6:00 am on the designated collection day. We get an early start in order to speed up collection, and cannot go back for trash that is put out late.

DO have a safe and enjoyable summer!



Summer Refuse Collection Schedule
Trash & Wrap: Mondays and Thursdays
Junk & Brush: Thursdays Only
Holiday Schedule: Tuesday after Labor Day

Mondays-Only collection resumes the first Monday after Labor Day Weekend