

Madison County, Virginia

Transfer Station Operating Policies

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I. General Information

Madison County's refuse collection and recycling "Transfer Station" center is located at the 4592 Shelby Rd, Rochelle, VA 22738.

The Transfer Station is a centrally-located facility for collection, management, recycling and disposal of solid waste, recyclable materials, and other refuse of the residents and businesses of Madison County. At the Transfer Station, our community's solid waste is transferred from collection vehicles into larger trucks, to be transported to a disposal or recycling destination outside the County. The Transfer Station commenced operations on June 1, 1999, following the closure of the County's Landfill. As a result of the closure of the County's old landfill, as well as state regulations which require maintenance of a solid waste management plan, the County is subject to a level of regulatory oversight and reporting that necessitates ongoing environmental and engineering consulting services. The County has a contract with a private company for the operation of the transfer station, managing recycling operations and hauling solid waste to the disposal site.

Each vehicle entering the Transfer Station with household trash must display a valid tag that is hung from the rear-view mirror. These "hang tags" are issued at the transfer station scale house and are free to Madison County residents.

In general, all calls regarding the Madison County Transfer Station are routed to the scale house attendant at **540/948-3938**. Unresolved problems to Facilities Manager at **540/948-7500x142**. All first-time users are to register with the scale house operator. Information on the Madison County Transfer Station is available on the Madison County web site at www.madisonco.virginia.gov.

A. Hours of Operation

Normal hours of operation for the Madison County Transfer Station are 8:30 am to 5:00 pm on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays and 8:30 am to 4:00 pm on Saturdays. The facility is closed on Wednesdays and Sundays.

The Madison County Transfer Station will be closed on the following holidays:

- New Year's Day
- Independence Day
- Thanksgiving Day
- Memorial Day
- Labor Day
- Christmas Day

B. Closure Policy:

The facility may be closed due to severe weather or other bona fide reasons at the sole discretion of Madison County. Decisions on whether to close the Madison County Transfer Station are made by Madison County. If a decision to close is made, this will be announced via local media, the County web site and appropriate social media. The transfer station operator will post a sign on the entrance gate announcing the closure and will place an automatic message on the scale house telephone.

II. Madison County Solid Waste Collection and Disposal Fees

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1. All users of the Madison County transfer station shall be subject to the fees below unless specifically exempted by the Madison County Board of Supervisors. (*Madison County, including the Madison County School Board and the Madison County Parks and Recreation Authority, and the Madison County Fair are exempted.*)
2. Madison County Residents Only: Residential bagged trash: No charge
 - a. Hang tag will be provided at no charge
 - b. One small bulk item permitted per week at no charge (less than 25 lbs)
 - c. Additional or replacement tags: \$5.00 with a limit of 2 per household
3. Small home based Madison County business and non profits may dispose up to 6 - 30 gallon bags per week. Anything over 6 bags will be charged at the established rate per ton. A hang tag will be provided at no charge
4. Appliances with Freon (refrigerator, air conditioners)20.00 each
 - a. Small refrigerators less than 48" tall \$10
5. Tires\$3.00 each
6. Furniture if mixed in with bags can be charged by the unit at:
 - a. Small items (furniture appliances, debris less than 20 lbs) \$2.00
 - b. Medium items (furniture appliances, debris less than 50 lbs)..... \$5.00
 - c. Large items (furniture appliances, debris more than 50 lbs)..... \$10.00
 - d. Mattress or box spring\$8.00 each
7. All other trash (commercial, bulk, etc.) will be weighed and charged at \$65.00 per ton
8. Brush & woody debris.....\$65.00 per ton
Free brush months (October & March) for residential brush only.
9. Should the scale be inoperable please refer to the "Scale Inoperative Procedure of 12-9-13
10. No charge for single stream or scrap metal recycling (not appliances)
11. Items that may have a reclaimed value (re-use) may be held separately by the facility and reclaiming by residents or non-profits. This is only as space permits, is for residential use only and is not to be resold. The County is not responsible for and makes no warranty or representation as to condition or use of any items reclaimed.
12. No hazardous materials accepted
13. Payment is by cash, check or a charge account may be set up once approved.

Large quantities of recycling may be accepted however rates and logistics shall be negotiated in advance and subject to the Board of Supervisors approval.

III. Madison County Solid Waste Ordinance

Sec. 22-1. Definitions.

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this chapter, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning: *Brush* means tree and shrubbery trimmings, including tree branches, tree limbs, parts of tree, bushes and shrubbery.

Disposal means accumulation, storage, collection, transportation and disposal of solid waste.

Hazardous solid or liquid waste means a solid or liquid waste or combination thereof which, because of quantity, concentration or physical, chemical or infectious characteristics, may:

- (1) Cause or significantly contribute to an increase in mortality or an increase in serious illness; or
- (2) Pose a substantial present or potential hazard to human health or the environment when improperly treated, stored, transported, disposed of or otherwise managed.

Impervious cover means a cover that cannot be penetrated by the load being covered.

Litter means garbage, refuse, waste materials or any other discarded, used or unconsumed substance which is not disposed as specified in this chapter.

Solid waste means any garbage, refuse, sludge and other discarded material, including solid, liquid, semisolid or contained gaseous material, resulting from residential, industrial, commercial, mining or agricultural operations or from community activities, but does not include:

- (1) Solid or dissolved material in domestic sewage;
- (2) Solid or dissolved material in irrigation return flows or in industrial discharges which are sources subject to a permit from the state water control board; or
- (3) Source, special nuclear, or byproduct material as defined by the Federal Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended.

Solid waste receptacle means a metal or plastic container or plastic bag of substantial construction, with a tightfitting lid or tightly sealed with a wire tie or a drawstring.

Sanitary landfill or *Transfer station* means a disposal site or transfer station for solid waste that is operated in accordance with regulations of the state department of environmental quality.

(Ord. of 6-18-1997, § 1.1)

Sec. 22-2. Unlawful accumulations; receptacles for organic materials.

It shall be unlawful for any person to place or allow to remain out of doors or on any lot or parcel of land within the county any solid waste in an unsanitary manner or so as to create a nuisance. Organic materials must be kept enclosed in solid waste receptacles, except for the handling and use of such materials in a normal agricultural operation.

(Ord. of 6-18-1997, § 1.2)

Sec. 22-3. Unlawful disposal.

It shall be unlawful for any person to:

- (1) Cast, throw, sweep, dump, dispose of or deposit anywhere in the county any solid waste or litter on property of another or of the public; or
- (2) Dispose of any solid waste on his own property in any manner not in conformance with the regulations of the state department of environmental quality.

(Ord. of 6-18-1997, § 1.3)

Sec. 22-4. Conduct of solid waste collection operations generally.

All solid waste collection operations shall be made in such manner that they do not create a nuisance or adversely affect public health.

(Ord. of 6-18-1997, § 1.4)

Sec. 22-5. Maintenance of vehicles used for solid waste collection or transportation.

Each vehicle used for solid waste removal or transportation shall be maintained so as to prevent the spillage of solid waste or litter on property of another or of the public during transportation.

(Ord. of 6-18-1997, § 1.5)

Sec. 22-6. Covering the loads to be transported.

No person shall transport any solid waste without an impervious cover completely surrounding the load being transported; provided, however, that if the material or substance is enclosed in metal or plastic containers with tightly secured covers or in plastic garbage bags that have been tightly closed, no such cover shall be required.

(Ord. of 6-18-1997, § 1.6)

Secs. 22-7--22-30. Reserved.

ARTICLE II. MADISON COUNTY SANITARY LANDFILL OR TRANSFER STATION

Sec. 22-31. Access restrictions.

- (a) The county sanitary landfill or transfer station shall be operated for the disposal of solid waste generated from property, residences, businesses, industries and institutions located in the county, including the Town of Madison. No one shall be permitted to dispose of solid waste at the county landfill or transfer station unless he is able to document his eligibility to do so. Individuals shall document their eligibility by display of:
 - (1) A valid county landfill/transfer station decal;
 - (2) A valid county landfill/transfer station commercial permit; or
 - (3) A valid identification of a state department of transportation vehicle with solid waste generated from the county.
- (b) The county administrator shall develop, administer and issue the necessary application and permit forms to provide for the proper administration and enforcement of this section.

(Ord. of 6-18-1997, § 2.1; Ord. No. 2008-8, 12-17-2008)

Sec. 22-32. County sanitary landfill or transfer station use charges.

Tipping and access permit fees for use of the county sanitary landfill or transfer station shall be established from time to time by resolution of the board of supervisors of the county.

(Ord. of 6-18-1997, § 2.2; Ord. No. 2012-2, 4-17-2012)

Sec. 22-33. Hours of operation.

The board of supervisors of the county shall establish the hours of operation for the county landfill or transfer station and shall post notice of such hours at the county office building and at the county sanitary landfill or transfer station. It shall be unlawful for any person to cast, throw, sweep, dump, dispose of or deposit solid waste or litter at the county sanitary landfill or transfer station at any time other than during the established hours of operation.

(Ord. of 6-18-1997, § 2.3)

Sec. 22-34. Required use of designated areas at the county sanitary landfill or transfer station.

Solid waste shall be categorized and deposited at the county sanitary landfill or transfer station in designated areas only. The county administrator shall designate such areas in accordance with the solid waste management permit and regulations issued by the state department of environmental quality.

(Ord. of 6-18-1997, § 2.4)

Sec. 22-35. Prohibited deposits generally.

The following items will not be accepted and shall not be deposited at the county sanitary landfill or transfer station:

- (1) Tree stumps and logs with a diameter exceeding two inches;
- (2) Masonry, concrete, stone or other demolition solid waste with a weight exceeding 40 pounds per piece;
- (3) Motor vehicles;
- (4) Hazardous solid or liquid waste;
- (5) Containers with liquid therein;
- (6) Tires with a rim size exceeding 28 inches;
- (7) Batteries;
- (8) Unbound wire; and
- (9) Sawdust, chips or shavings.

(Ord. of 6-18-1997, § 2.5; Ord. of 10-21-2005)

Sec. 22-36. Ashes to be extinguished prior to deposit.

Ashes must be extinguished prior to depositing them in the county sanitary landfill or transfer station.

(Ord. of 6-18-1997, § 2.6)

Sec. 22-37. Sanitary landfill or Transfer station.

Any person disposing of boxes, cartons, crates, barrels or liquid containers shall collapse the same prior to depositing them in the county sanitary landfill or transfer station.

(Ord. of 6-18-1997, § 2.7)

Sec. 22-38. Airtight snap lock and freon to be removed from certain containers before deposit.

It shall be unlawful for any person to deliver to the county sanitary landfill or transfer station any appliance, refrigerator or other container of any kind which has an airtight snap lock closing device (or similar closing device) without first removing the snap lock, closing device, or door from such appliance, refrigerator, or container.

(Ord. of 6-18-1997, § 2.8)

Sec. 22-39. Scavenging prohibited.

It shall be unlawful for any person to scavenge or remove any items or materials from the county sanitary landfill or transfer station.

(Ord. of 6-18-1997, § 2.9)

Secs. 22-40--22-66. Reserved.

ARTICLE III. PENALTY AND MISCELLANEOUS

Sec. 22-67. Violation of chapter, penalty.

- (a) Any person violating or failing, refusing or neglecting to comply with any provision or requirement of this chapter shall be guilty of a Class 3 misdemeanor and subject to a fine of not more than \$500.00. Each continued day of violation shall constitute a separate offense hereunder.
- (b) Any person violating or failing, refusing or neglecting to comply with any provision or requirement of this chapter shall be issued a warrant or summons requiring such person to appear in the general district court of the county. Such warrant or summons may be issued by any law enforcement officer or deputized employee of the county.
- (c) All fines collected under this chapter shall be paid into the county treasury.

(Ord. of 6-18-1997, § 3.1)

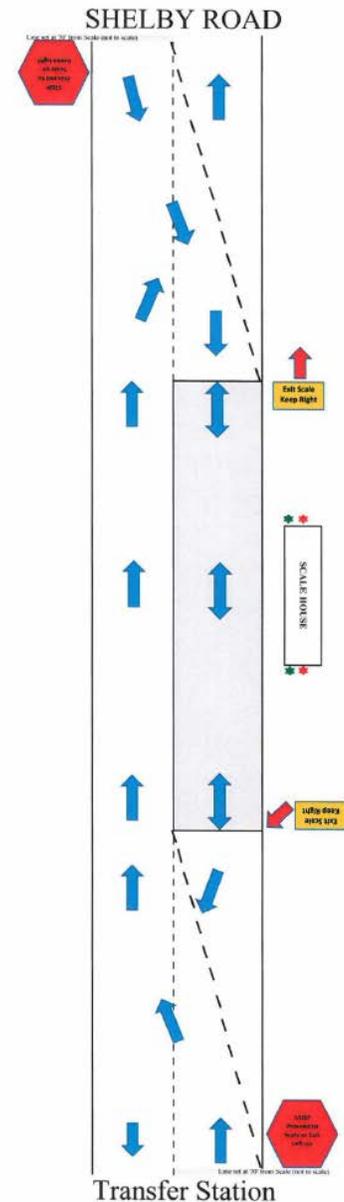
IV. Scale Procedure

To properly account for all material received at the Madison County Transfer Station, all non-residential vehicles must weigh in at the scale house according to the following procedure:

1. After passing through the transfer station gate, stop at the STOP SIGN.
2. On the scale house building you will see green and red lights. Proceed onto the scale only when you see the green light and only after coming to a full stop, watch for traffic and proceed slowly.
3. Show and provide the scale attendant your tag number. Your vehicle will be weighed.
4. Exit the scale, keep right and continue to the disposal/recycling area.
5. After dumping proceed toward the scale house and stop at the exit sign. On the scale house you will see green and red lights. On a green light return to the scale or exit to the left if you do not have to weigh out as instructed by the scale house attendant.
6. Watch for traffic and proceed slowly toward the Shelby Road exit.

Notes

- If you don't have a hang tag stop in the scale house with your County identification and you will receive one free of charge.
- Replacement or second tags are \$5.00 each and a limit of 2 per household.
- The tag number is unique to each resident and their vehicle.
- The first time you register your vehicle please return to the scale to establish an empty weight for that vehicle.
- The next time you weigh in you will not need to return to the scale after dumping, as your vehicles empty weight will have been recorded.
- If you are disposing of non-household trash you will always return to the scale to be weighed out and pay the established fees.
- No charges will be based on stored weights.
- Some item can be paid for when you weigh in. For example if you had a tire you would pay \$3.00 when you weighed in and would not need to return to the scale.
- Approximately every 90 days you may be asked to weigh out in order to keep our system updated.



V. Inoperative Scale Procedure

The following procedures are to be followed in the event the scale is not working due to power interruptions or mechanical failures

Residential Customers:

Residential trash disposal is not affected. Charges will continue as normal for bulk items such as tires. A handwritten receipt will be provided for any charge.

Commercial Customers:

The scale house attendant will inform the customer that the scale is not working and advise that they have two options:

1. The customer may agree to an estimated weight with the transfer station operator.
 - a. The scale attendant will take customer information manually and direct them to meet the transfer station operator at the tipping floor.
 - b. The operator will estimate their weight and if they agree to that weight they may dump.
 - c. All transactions are final and not subject to future adjustments.
 - d. After dumping customers will return to the scale attendant and pay for the trash dumped (estimated pounds x disposal rate).
 - e. The scale attendant will collect monies due and provide a hand written receipt.
2. Return when the scale is operating. If requested, the scale house attendant take the customer's phone number and will call immediately when scale operations resume.

VI. Recycling at the Transfer Station

Madison County accepts the following source-separated recyclable materials at the Madison County Transfer Station. Users are to place items in the designated containers/at the designated location(s).

1. Glass (all colors)
2. Card board (including corrugated, cereal boxes, etc.)
3. Comingled plastic bottles and jugs, newspapers, shredded paper, mixed paper, aluminum and tin cans
4. Tires (off the rim)
5. White goods (aka appliances)

Users are asked to not place plastic bags in the recycling containers.

VII. Other Recycling Opportunities

A partial list of Madison, VA area resources for disposal or recycling of hazardous and other materials:

- Paint (partial cans) – Allow to dry out if water-based/latex. Otherwise add kitty litter, sawdust or newspaper to absorb and dry out. Close the can and put into household trash.
- Used motor oil – Disposal by the business where you have your vehicle oil changed; if Madison Co-op changes your vehicle oil they are also willing to take other oil occasionally, for example from your lawn mower; Jones Auto Parts will accept oil from do-it-yourself oil changers.
- Auto batteries - Disposal by the business where new battery is purchased; check with auto parts stores for disposal after a do-it-yourself battery installation.
- Pesticides – Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services has a rotating schedule of pesticide collection days. See www.vdacs.virginia.gov.
- Prescription medications and used sharps (needles) – Tablets, capsules and gel caps should be disposed of at the Sheriff's office. Liquids should be mixed with coffee grounds or cat litter in a sealed container and put into trash. Sealed sharps containers can be put into trash; individual sharps can also be put into an empty plastic laundry detergent bottle, sealed tightly, labelled "SHARPS" and put into trash.
- Computers and Electronics - Goodwill and Best Buy accept donated computers at their stores. Dell offers free recycling of donated computers by mail. See www.dell4me.com/recycling.
- K and K Electronic Recycling in Ruckersville is a local business that accepts and recycles almost all electronics. See www.facebook.com/kkre recycling.
- Compact fluorescent light bulbs (CFL's) – Can be recycled at *Lowe's* stores.
- Rechargeable household batteries – Can be recycled at *Lowe's* or *Batteries Plus Bulbs* in Charlottesville. Non-rechargeable batteries CAN be placed into trash but they do have some recyclable materials. They are accepted for \$1.99 per pound at *Batteries Plus Bulbs*.
- Used computer ink cartridges – Can be recycled at office supply stores such as *Staples*.
- Clean plastic bags – Can be recycled in designated containers at most grocery stores, or re-used at some thrift stores or food pantries.

This list was compiled by the Green Team at Madison Presbyterian Church and is believed to be current as of August 15, 2018. No endorsement of particular businesses is implied or intended.

Other opportunities for recycling can be found at https://search.earth911.com/?what=CFLs%2C%20desktop%20computers%2C%20cell%20phones%2C%20etc...&where=22727&list_filter=all&max_distance=25&family_id=&latitude=&longitude=&country=&province=&city=&sponsor=

MADISON COUNTY TRANSFER STATION



**IMPORTANT
NOTICE**



NEW RECYCLING PROCESS

STARTING ON AUGUST 1ST 2019

THERE WILL BE 5 SEPARATE BINS FOR RECYCLE

- **GLASS ONLY**- Please place ALL glass in the designated container.
- **CARBOARD ONLY (Broken down)** Please place ALL cardboard in the designated container.
- **TIRES ONLY- (OFF RIMS)** Please place ALL tires in the designated container.
- **ALUMINUM**- Please place ALL aluminum in the designated container.
- **COMINGLED**- Please place plastic bottles and jugs, newspapers, shredded paper, mixed paper, and tin cans in designated container.



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VIII. Share Shed

The Share Shed is a cooperative effort by Rural Madison and Madison County to encourage the re-use of items that would otherwise be landfilled. The share shed facility is operated by Rural Madison and staffed by volunteers. For more information on Rural Madison, see www.ruralmadison.org.