City of Holyoke

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Department of Public Works

HOLYOKE DPW RECYCLING CENTER

This facility is a self-service operation. Separate your recyclable items before you arrive. Properly loading your vehicle will make your visit as simple and fast as possible. We will be glad to assist you. This information is provided to help guide you through the Recycling Center Operation:

First: Metal – The first station at the center takes all scrap metal of any kind, Copper, Aluminum, Brass, Steel and all items containing metal of any type will be placed in the metal dumpster. Disposal of propane tanks is limited to 2 tanks per year.

Second: Appliances – This station accepts washers, dryers and stoves. Each of the following items are limited to one per year – a refrigerator, air conditioner, dehumidifier, humidifier or freezer.

Third: <u>Electronics, Radios and Stereos</u> – Only one TV and one computer is allowed per year. A computer consists of one monitor, keyboard, mouse, fax machine, printer and PC.

Fourth: <u>Tires</u> – This station accepts all tires. Tires are accepted even if they are mounted on a rim. Limit (8) eight tires per year.

Fifth: Fluorescent Light Bulbs – This station accepts all types of fluorescent light bulbs for residential lighting, lengths up to eight feet. Other types, such as U-Tubes and Circular Bulbs are also accepted.

Sixth: Refuse/Trash – This station accepts only burnable trash, no metals, no paint and no chemicals of any kind, no recyclables and no cardboard – If you load a cardboard box with trash you must first empty the trash into the dumpster, then you must break down the cardboard boxes and place them in the cardboard recycle container.

Seventh: Cardboard and Recyclables – There are receptacles for each type of recyclables marked #1 thru #7. They are Cardboard, Paper, Glass, Plastics, Cans, Magazines and Newspaper.

Eighth: Paint and Hazardous Waste – At this station only Latex Paint is accepted. Antifreeze will be placed in the Cart labeled for antifreeze. Aerosols cans such as (paints, lacquers, cleaners, lubricants, air fresheners) are accepted. We will not accept pesticides, herbicides, or other hazardous chemicals. – Ask the attendant for assistance. In order to be accepted, allowable chemicals must be in sealed containers and have their original labels.

RESTRICTED CHEMICALS: Not all chemicals can be accepted. Restricted chemicals will only be accepted on household hazardous waste collection day. This special collection day will be announced. Your cooperation is needed for the safe operation of this facility.

Ninth: <u>Furniture</u> – This station accepts mattresses and box springs, sofas and stuffed chairs. The attendant will direct you where and how these items will be placed.

Tenth: Construction and Demolition Materials and Wooden Items – In order to be accepted all lumber must be cut into four-foot lengths – no exceptions! All paneling, plywood and wooden doors must be cut into 4'x4' sections. Sheetrock/Drywall must be cut down to 4'x4' sections. If your sheetrock/drywall is in loose smaller pieces, it must be brought in bagged. Any materials not cut to the proper size or properly bagged will not be accepted. For discarding of Concrete, Bricks, Asphalt and Stone ask the attendant for the disposal location. In order to provide everyone an opportunity to dump construction debris during the day, we do ask that you bring in no more than a half a pickup truck load of construction debris per day.

These stations are designed and arranged to keep this facility clean, safe and organized. Loading your vehicle properly will assure your visit is safe, easy, and as fast as possible. Your cooperation is appreciated. Thank you! Any questions can be directed to the attendant. If you need information prior to coming to the Recycling Center, just call 413-322-5645, extension 5138.