

# ACADIA DISPOSAL DISTRICT

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## Corrugated Cardboard Removal Policy

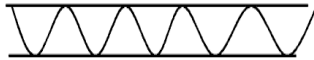
Beginning January 3, 2005, corrugated cardboard will be banned from municipal solid waste in the towns of Cranberry Isle, Mount Desert, Trenton, Tremont and Southwest Harbor.

The Acadia Disposal District\* is developing economical and environmentally sound systems of solid-waste disposal for its member towns. Corrugated cardboard is being banned from the waste stream to reduce costs and save taxpayer money.

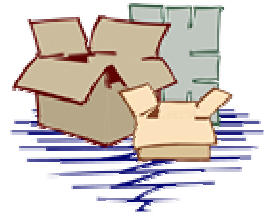
The cost to taxpayers for the disposal of trash averages about \$103 per ton. Recycled corrugated cardboard sells for upwards of \$76 per ton (sometimes even more). Reducing disposal fees plus generating revenue from the sale of recycled cardboard can save taxpayers upwards of \$179 per ton.

### What is Corrugated Cardboard?

Corrugated cardboard has a wavy layer between 2 flat layers:



Cardboard boxes are usually constructed of corrugated cardboard:



- It is NOT compressed cardboard as in cereal boxes.
- It is NOT wax-coated milk and juice cartons.
- It is NOT pizza boxes.

### How do we dispose of corrugated cardboard?

- Recycle it, as many households and businesses have done for years.
- Compost it, for those who are into composting.
- Ask your hauler to handle it for you.

### How do we recycle corrugated cardboard?

- Flatten boxes
- Place them in recycling bins at
  - EMR Transfer Station in Southwest Harbor, or
  - Sargent Drive Recycle Station in Mt. Desert.

### Whom does this policy apply to?

- All residents and businesses in Cranberry Isle, Mount Desert, Trenton, Tremont and Southwest Harbor.
- No exceptions – everyone will be treated equally, big and small.

### Non-compliance?

- EMR will not accept commingled waste
- Haulers will not accept commingled waste
- If commingled – your waste will not be picked up nor accepted at EMR

\* The Acadia Disposal District is a non-profit quasi-municipal corporation owned by the member towns of Cranberry Isle, Mount Desert, Trenton, Tremont and Southwest Harbor, and is responsible for the economical and environmentally sound management of solid waste.