

Township of Ocean

2024 Municipal Calendar



Mayor and Council



Dear Residents,

Happy New Year from your Mayor and Council! The Township of Ocean will be celebrating our 175th anniversary on February 21 as we were incorporated in 1849. It's a very exciting time to be leading this municipality as we enhance our already fantastic events for the upcoming year.

As a Council, we made several promises when we were sworn in on July 1, 2023 and as a result, we have a bold agenda for the next four years. We will focus on improving customer service relations, continuing and expanding our level of services, and most importantly, addressing your needs. We are resubmitting our application to the DEP for a deer management plan. In addition, we met with the NJ Department of Transportation in July to discuss several ideas to speed up the flow of traffic on Route 35. We surveyed our lakes and streams to assess what needs to be addressed in a proactive way. We met with NJ Transit to discuss potentially increasing the flow of storm water on the eastern section of town to alleviate some of our flooding. Council and Administration are also in the planning stages of possibly constructing a new municipal building to meet the needs of the Township.

Thank you to the Mya Lin Terry and Where Angel's Play Foundations for a 100% donated park to Ocean to the tune of almost \$500,000. The Mya Lin Terry Playground at Kepwel Park is a beautiful addition to our community that will be enjoyed and cherished for years to come.

We have added a new link on the website to streamline issues and concerns that residents want to address. The new website is much more user friendly. To look up information or file a concern, please visit our website, oceantwp.org. When you go to the site, look to the right and you will see "How do I..." and there will be three choices. You click on the dropdown and there are multiple things you can do on the website. Your issues and concerns will be addressed in a timely manner. If you do not get an answer, then feel free to reach out to one of us directly so we can address your needs.

We want to welcome to the Ocean Township team, Steve Higgins, our new Director of Public Works. Steve has been extremely proactive since taking the leadership role on August 1. We also welcome our new Tax Assessor, Bill Laird. Bill has also been extremely proactive with our residents since he came into the position. Finally, we wish Ron Kirk, our Director of Community Development, an enjoyable retirement. Ron spent 5 years in that department and was always a good source of knowledge. Welcome aboard Steve and Bill and best wishes to Ron!!!

Please check the Township calendar, website and newsletters for upcoming Township events. We look forward to seeing you at some! Remember, in addition to our website, oceantwp.org, we have Ocean TV on Channel 22 for FIOS and Channel 77 for Optimum customers. There you will be able to view our Council, Board of Adjustment, Planning Board meetings, as well as any other special events in the Township of Ocean. You can also view these events on our YouTube Channel.

On behalf of the Council and myself, we wish you a very Healthy and Happy 2024!

*Mayor John P. Napolitani Sr., Deputy Mayor Dr. Margie Donlon
Councilmembers Robert V. Accerra, Dr. David Fisher & Kelly Terry*



Do You Know About?

Property Tax Relief Programs

There are several programs for property tax relief including deductions for veterans, senior citizens, disabled persons, and surviving spouses of the aforementioned individuals. Totally disabled veterans whose disability is related to their military service are eligible for an exemption from property taxation. Information regarding these deductions/exemptions can be obtained through our website, www.oceantwp.org/assessor, or by visiting or calling the Tax Assessor's office at 732-531-5000, ext. 3345 or 3346.



The State of New Jersey administers other property tax relief programs. Information on these programs can be obtained online at: <http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/taxation/relief.shtml>.

Tax and Sewer Bill information

Tax bills are mailed out once a year in July. Sewer bills are mailed out once a year in January. Added/omitted tax bills for improvements made to your property are mailed in October and are due November 1st. Payments for both tax and sewer can be made in person, by mail or electronically on the Township of Ocean website, www.oceantwp.org. For additional information, call the Tax Collector's office at 732-531-5000, ext. 3341 or 3342.

Name and Address Changes

If you require a change to the legal name of the owner or owners of your property, a new deed must be filed with the Monmouth County Clerk's office— <https://co.monmouth.nj.us/page.aspx?ID=1985>. Once we receive the new deed from the County Clerk's office, our records will be updated to reflect the new owner information.

Giving Back

We are proud to provide both our veterans and active duty military personnel with certain discounts in our Construction office as well as our Recreation office. Visit www.oceantwp.org for details.

Recycling Information

Recycling Matters

Since 2011, Township residents have recycled an average of approximately 290 tons of material per month through the Township's single-stream curbside recycling program.

Recycling remains important to:

- Protect Natural Resources
- Save Energy
- Protect Clean Air and Water
- Save Landfill Space
- Create Jobs
- Save Money



The Township recycling drop-off center is located at 3602 Sunset Avenue, the west end of Sunset Avenue.

HOURS: 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday through Friday (except holidays) and Saturday 8 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

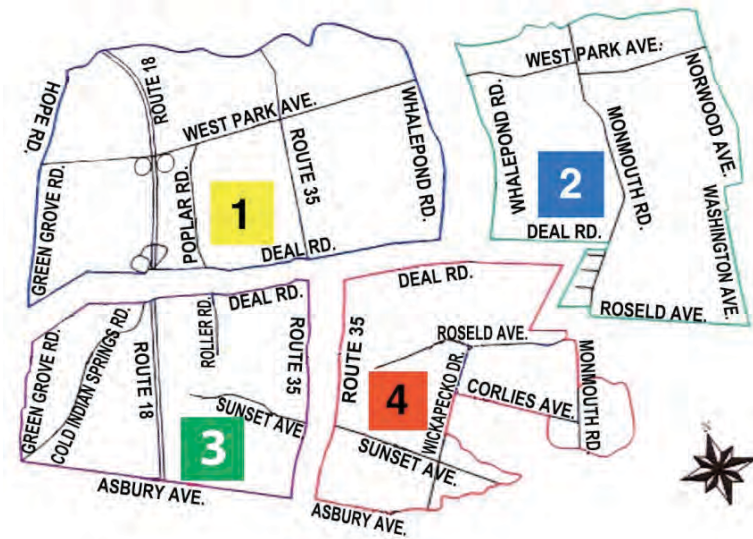
Summer Hours – (April 15 through September 30):
Monday, Wednesday and Friday 7:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday 7:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Saturday mornings 8:00 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Single-stream recycling of all plastic containers (HDPE 1-7), glass, tin aluminum cans, cardboard, newspaper, magazines, junk mail and shredded paper is available for Township residents and business owners.

Scrap metal and electronics are separated and placed in individual containers. We also accept bulk waste and concrete. The center, however, will not accept these materials from commercial entities.

Know Your Zone

For purposes of trash, recycling and bulk collection, our Township is broken into four quadrants/zones shown below.













Composting Is Also Recycling

Composting involves placing kitchen vegetables and yard waste into a special (compost) pile, so that it breaks down into a natural, soil-like product which can be used as fertilizer.


Composting bins can be purchased at the Township municipal building located at 399 Monmouth Road.

Call the Public Works office at 732-531-5001 for more information or to order a bin. M-F 8AM-4PM

January 2024

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Department of Community Development

Planning, Building & Zoning

CONSTRUCTION AND BUILDING

The Construction and Building Division is responsible for the issuance and inspection of all construction permits, both residential and commercial. This division also reviews and issues permits for tree removal and garage sales.

PLANNING AND ZONING

The Planning and Zoning Divisions are responsible for providing professional services to the Planning Board and Board of Adjustment, reviewing all land use applications and the issuance of zoning permits for driveways, fences, patios and storage containers. Our Zoning Division also reviews and issues business licenses and temporary sign permits.

Do I need a permit?

Visit *Planning, Building & Zoning* at www.oceantwp.org for information and to download forms and applications for:

- Garage sales
- Business License and Food License applications
- Construction permit forms and applications
- Tree removal applications
- Zoning permit applications for fences, sheds, patios and driveways
- Temporary signs
- Storage containers

The Comprehensive Land Development Ordinance is also available for review on our website for zoning and land use ordinances.

**Permits are issued between the hours of
9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.**



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February 2024

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<p>Small amounts of brush can be placed in your green garbage container and collected with your weekly garbage pick-up or brush can be placed in 45-gallon containers (or neatly tied and bundled) and placed curbside with your monthly bulk collection.</p> <p>LEAVES AND BRUSH MUST BE OUT BY SUNDAY FOR THAT WEEK'S PICK UP.</p>			 Senator Joe Palaia	1 	2 	3 Senator Joe Palaia Day																																																																																																																	
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Summer Recreation Camp



- Kids spend summer mornings in a variety of supervised activities: swimming, field trips, crafts and games and more!
- For children entering grades 1 - 8
- Bus transportation available for Ocean residents for an additional fee
- Registration begins in early February. Sign up through Community Pass or pick up an application at the Department of Human Services.

Ocean Community Pool and Tennis Facility



- Open Memorial Day weekend to Labor Day weekend
- Seasonal memberships and daily fees available
- Discounted rates for Ocean residents and seniors
- Three pools, sports courts, snack bar, playground and shaded picnic grove
- Swimming and tennis lessons offered
- Daily supervised activities for children
- 615 West Park Ave., Oakhurst

William F. Larkin Golf Course at Colonial Terrace



- Open daily April - mid-November
- Pristine 9-hole regulation golf course
- Group and private lessons with a PGA Pro
- League play, special events and tournaments throughout the season
- Discounted rates for Ocean residents.
- Carts and club rentals available
- 1003 Wickapecko Drive, Wanamassa
- www.ColonialTerraceGolf.com











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Township of Ocean Department of Human Services




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March 2024

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 Leaf Collection by Zone

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 Recycling Guide (See inside Back Cover)

Environmental Commission and Shade Tree Commission



The mission of the Township of Ocean Environmental Commission is to promote the conservation and preservation of all the natural resources of the Township. The Commission meets monthly, usually on the first Thursday of each month at 8:00 pm.

The Shade Tree Commission promotes the planting and care of the trees and shrubs located along the streets, public places, and parks in the Township. The Commission meets monthly, usually on the first Thursday of each month at 7:00 pm.

Our meetings are always open to the public, and new members are always welcome! Find more information about these commissions on the Township's website at www.oceantwp.org, under the "Boards & Commissions" and "Agendas & Minutes" links.



SOME BENEFITS OF TREES:

- Landscaping, especially with trees, can significantly increase property values.
- Three trees placed strategically around a single-family home can cut summer air conditioning needs by up to 50 percent. The net cooling effect of a healthy tree is equivalent to 10 room-sized air conditioners operating 20 hours a day. By reducing the energy demand for cooling our houses, we reduce carbon dioxide and other pollution emissions from power plants.
- Leafy tree canopies catch rain before it reaches the ground, allowing some of it to gently drip and the rest to evaporate. This diminishes the impact of storms by reducing runoff and erosion. One large oak tree can absorb and transpire 40,000 gallons of water a year.
- Studies have shown that patients with views of trees out their windows heal faster and with fewer complications. Children with ADHD show fewer symptoms when they have access to nature. Exposure to trees and nature aids concentration by reducing mental fatigue.



In 2023, Shade Tree Commission gave approximately 220 trees to Township residents. Each year, the Environmental Commission gives seedlings to all third graders in Ocean Township schools for Arbor Day. In 2023 that amounted to 350 seedlings.

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Clean Communities Program



If you are interested in serving as a volunteer on the Clean Communities Advisory Committee, or have an interest in participating in the Clean Sweep events, please call 732-531-5000 ext. 3378 or visit our website at www.oceantwp.org and select Volunteer Opportunities.

Please check the website for upcoming events!

The State of New Jersey Clean Communities program is a comprehensive program under the Department of Environmental Protection involving combined efforts of local towns with enforcement of litter and graffiti abatement through litter control and removal. This State-funded grant is important to maintain a clean municipality, and it assists us with two Clean Sweeps, Fall Fest and Earth Day activities every year.

The Township of Ocean Clean Communities program ensures that litter abatement is performed on all Township properties, including our many parks, and coordinates the cleaning of some of the local,

county and state roadways within the Township. Through public education, community events and partnerships with the schools, our goal is to keep Ocean clean and litter-free.



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May 2024

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FLOOD INFORMATION



In Ocean Township, flooding and other drainage problems can result after several inches of rain in a short period of time or after several days of continued rain. In past years, our community has experienced numerous rainfall events causing flood damage. Hurricanes, tropical storms and other threatening weather can present flood hazards to residents especially when there are high tides, storm surges caused by winds, and heavy rainfall.

It is wise to consider the possible flood hazards before you buy any property. Typical homeowners insurance policies exclude coverage for flood damage. Talk to your insurance provider about your policy and consider whether you need additional coverage.

The [National Flood Insurance Program \(NFIP\)](#) helps provide a means for property owners to financially protect themselves if additional coverage is required. The NFIP offers flood insurance to homeowners, renters, and business owners if their community participates in the NFIP. To find out how much flood damage could cost you, estimate your premium and learn more about the NFIP visit www.FloodSmart.gov.

“Turn Around, Don't Drown.” Floods are among the most frequent natural hazards in New Jersey, and among the most devastating in terms of human hardship and economic loss. During a weather event or a natural disaster, it's important to realize that the best thing to do is to stay home unless instructed otherwise by public officials. If you have to go out, please understand that your car cannot drive through flooded roadways.


Please visit www.oceantwp.org/floodinformation to better understand flood hazards.




Please visit <http://oceantwp/p/flood-information> for links to valuable websites that will help you better understand flood hazards.

June 2024

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Department of Human Services

Community Services and Recreation Office

RECREATION PROGRAMS

Sports, fitness, camps, art, dance and more for youth, adults and seniors

RECREATION FACILITIES

Meeting rooms and picnic groves
Gym, ball fields, tennis courts and playgrounds
William F. Larkin Golf Course at Colonial Terrace
Ocean Community Pool & Tennis Facility

COMMUNITY CELEBRATIONS

Holiday events: Memorial Day, Veterans Day, Christmas Tree and Menorah Lightings
Fall Fest, concerts, movies in the park and more

PROJECT EXTEND SCHOOL AGE CHILD CARE

Before and after school hours available
Care provided on many school holidays

PROFESSIONAL COUNSELING SERVICES AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT

Counseling for adults, adolescents and children
Individual, family and couples counseling
Outpatient substance abuse treatment

COMMUNITY SERVICES AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Senior Activities
Transportation
Meals on Wheels
Outreach & Referrals
Thanksgiving Food Drive
Holiday Adopt a Family








601 Deal Road 732-531-2600


Office hours: Monday - Thursday 8:30 am - 6:00 pm, and Friday until 4:30 pm
Additional evening hours are available for counseling services. Call for appointment.

Stay connected: www.OceanTwp.org/HumanServices

July 2024

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Police Department



The Township of Ocean Police Department was formed in 1929 with ten officers and 94 years later has grown to sixty three officers. The members of the Police Department serve the residents and businesses with pride, respect and professionalism.

The Department takes a proactive approach to all areas of policing to provide the best possible service to the community. Criminal investigations, traffic enforcement and community policing are the three main components of that approach. Members of the Department participate in numerous community events throughout the year and pride themselves on providing excellent customer service. The Department operates a 9-1-1 Communications Center which answers over 60,000 phone calls per year and dispatches over 30,000 calls for service which are handled by police officers.



The Police Explorer Program has recently welcomed several new members and is always looking for young teenage volunteers. The explorers assist with community events and interact with police officers who volunteer as Explorer advisors. Together they are building the future in law enforcement.


The Police Department utilizes several social media platforms to send and receive information to and from the residents and public. The Code Red Community Notification System is used to notify residents of important information via phone and text. Nixle is a secure messaging system used to deliver community messages via text and email. Facebook, Twitter and Instagram accounts are also used to broadcast both emergency and non-emergency information. Please visit the Township's website at www.oceantwp.org for more information and links to the social media platforms. All are encouraged to sign up!



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Office of Emergency Management



September is National Preparedness Month. The Office of Emergency Management reminds residents that **“Disasters Don’t Wait. Make Your Plan Today!”** It is vital that all residents are prepared in the event of an emergency. Make sure you have an emergency kit and plan. Well-stocked emergency kits will allow individuals and families to survive several days without access to food, water, or electricity. Make plans with family and friends in the event you are not together when any type of emergency occurs. Discuss how you will contact each other as well as where you will meet. Discuss what you will do in different situations as well as make sure you have important documents assembled in the event that you need to evacuate. For more information on how to put a family emergency plan and kit together as well as other information, go to the NJ Office of Emergency Management Webpage at ready.nj.gov as well as ready.gov which is sponsored by the US Department of Homeland Security.

Access to reliable information is crucial in an emergency. Superstorm Sandy and other events have shown us, the time to share important information regarding disabilities and other special conditions is NOW and not when the emergency is upon us. We encourage all residents with special needs to register for Register Ready available at registerready.nj.gov. In addition, all residents should register for NIXLE and/or Code Red so that you can be advised of important information from the township

emergency services, schools, Department of Public Works, and others. To register for these services, go to oceantwp.org/police.

In addition, OEM will share important information on our Facebook page, NextDoor page, X (formerly Twitter) and our redesigned website at oceantwp.org. The Office of Emergency Management works closely with all the Township agencies.

The Township has recently reactivated our Community Emergency Response Team on CERT. For more information go to the Township website under Office of Emergency Management > CERT Registration.

In regards to Fire and EMS, our EMS services in the township are provided by paid EMS personnel provided by the fire districts. Each of our Fire Departments, Oakhurst and Wanamassa, are both VOLUNTEER departments and always looking for more members. If you have a desire to give back to the community in one of the most rewarding ways we can think of, please refer to their Facebook pages for information on joining.















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September 2024

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Housing and Code Enforcement



Housing

Whenever you are selling or renting a property in the Township, a Certificate of Occupancy is required. Before filing the necessary paperwork, it is important that you contact the Construction Department first to insure all permits have been closed out. Housing forms can be found at www.oceantwp.org/housingforms. For your convenience, you will be able to complete the paperwork and pay securely on line. Check website for details. You may choose to complete and pay online or file the forms at our office in Town Hall.

Code Enforcement

We are here to insure that your quality of life is protected. To that end, please contact us at 732-531-5000 x 3392 with any concerns you may have regarding the maintenance of any property within the Township. Some of the violations issues that we address can be found on the [Recurring Violations](#) page of our website within the [Code Enforcement](#) section.

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Voting Information



ELECTION

2024 Voting Districts and Polling Place Locations

DISTRICT	LOCATION	DISTRICT	LOCATION
1, 6 & 17	West Park Recreation Center 615 West Park Avenue (first floor – large room)	4, 5, 7 & 8	The English Manor 1 English Lane
2	Twp of Ocean Sewerage Authority 224 Roosevelt Avenue (meeting room)	12, 13, 18, 19, 20 & 21	St. George Greek Orthodox Church (still needs to be ok'd by County) 1033 West Park Avenue
3, 9, 10 & 11	Ocean Township Municipal Building 399 Monmouth Road (Court Room)	14, 15, 16 & 22	Ocean Township Gym Sports Complex 1100 West Park Avenue

The County of Monmouth reserves the right to change polling locations if it is deemed to be in the best interest of voters.




































Please visit the Township of Ocean website at www.oceantwp.org for the most recent polling locations or look on the front of your sample ballot that you receive prior to the specific election.

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Winter Weather Delays

For updated weather related alerts, register for Code Red and Nixle on the Township website

Garbage and Recycling Collection may be affected during inclement weather.

Snow, ice and wind can affect solid waste collection. Snow and ice make otherwise “flat” roads and lanes difficult for trucks to navigate safely, while hills can be nearly impossible to service without the risk of property damage. Wind can also be treacherous, creating roadblocks or hazards involving overhead power lines.

During serious weather events the Township will err on the side of caution and temporarily postpone collection service until conditions improve.

In the event of inclement weather, here's what to do:

1. Throughout winter, please keep your sidewalk and driveway shoveled and ensure your trash and recycling containers are not hidden by snow banks or other obstructions.
2. For garbage or recycling service alerts, please visit www.oceantwp.org or listen to local radio stations for announcements. The Township may also issue advisories via social media and other emergency notification platforms.
3. Please be patient. Servicing your home is a priority, but the safety of people and property always comes first.

Snow Plowing Tips and Facts

Some tips and facts to help you better understand the snow removal process:


When does plowing start? Snow plows typically start the plowing process after 3 to 4 inches of snow has fallen on the main roads.


How to shovel a driveway apron: Pile the majority of the snow to the left of your driveway when looking at your house. When the snow plows come by, there will be less snow to be plowed in front of your driveway.


Blocked driveways and mailboxes: The Township does NOT plow out driveways or dig out mailboxes.

How does salt work? Salt is usually applied prior to plowing to help make snow removal more efficient. After the salt is applied, cars work the salt into the snow to help make the salt do its job. Slush created by the salt and traffic can then be pushed off of the roadways. Once solid ice mats are formed it is difficult to remove them with the plow blade. Salt is also applied after plowing to improve driving conditions.

December 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
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8 Tree Lighting Rain date  3	9  2	10 ZONE 1	11 ZONE 2	12 Township Council Meeting 7:00 p.m. – Town Hall	13 ZONE 4	14	
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22	23  4	24 ZONE 1	25 Hanukkah Christmas	26 Township Council Meeting 7:00 p.m. – Town Hall Kwanzaa	27 ZONE 4	28 ZONE 2	
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Keep Our Waters Clean

"Only Rain in the Drain"

Storm water runoff is one of the leading causes of water pollution in North America.

Unlike water that goes down your household drain to the sanitary sewer, water that flows into storm drains is typically not treated or filtered. Everything that goes into a storm drain flows into local creeks, lakes and the ocean.

Runoff can include soapy water from washing your car, fertilizers and pesticides, pet waste, gasoline and oil washed off your driveway, garbage and construction materials.

These substances can harm fish and other aquatic life and can reduce the quality of our drinking water. Litter, yard waste and other debris can accumulate on the drain itself and contribute to flooding and odors in your community.

Do your part:

- If you have a storm drain near your property take the time to make sure it is free of trash and debris, including leaves and grass.
- Avoid the use of soaps, fertilizers or chemicals around your property.
- Empty waste water down a sink.
- If you change your car's oil, dispose of it properly. Never dump gas, oil or paint into a storm drain.
- Sweep your driveway instead of hosing it.
- Dispose of waste properly.

More Solutions to Water Pollution

Do Not Litter

It is the responsibility of all homeowners and business owners to maintain their properties free of litter. Place all litter in proper receptacles. (Township of Ocean Revised General Ordinance 3-6.6)

Do Not Feed Wildlife











Do not feed wildlife such as ducks, geese and deer, in public areas. (Township of Ocean Revised General Ordinance 16-3.3)

Clean up after your Pet

All pet owners are required to immediately clean up and properly dispose of pet waste. Use paper bags or other devices to pick up waste. Double bag, secure it and place it into your household garbage cart. Never discard pet waste in a storm drain. (Township of Ocean Revised General Ordinance)



January 2025

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Single Stream Recycling

For garbage and recycling zone pickup information, please go to the website at www.oceantwp.org/singlestreamrecycling

ACCEPTED ITEMS AND PREPARATION

NOT ACCEPTED



Glass Bottles & Jars

Food & beverage glass bottles and jars

Avoid breaking glass

Remove lids and rinse container

Recycle metal lids; discard plastic ones

No light bulbs of any type

No mirror or window glass

No drinking glasses

No ceramics (plates, mugs, Pyrex®, etc)



Plastics 1 thru 7 with narrow neck and screw on lids; remove lids

Food and beverage bottles

Detergent jugs and bottles

Cleanser, soap and shampoo bottles

Empty and rinse all containers; discard lids and sprayers

No motor oil or chemical containers

No plastic bags

No toys

No food containers



Aluminum & Tin Cans

All food and beverage cans and lids

Empty and rinse cans

Labels are ok

No aerosol or paint cans

No cooking pots or pans

No other metal items

No paper-backed foil (lids from take-out food)

No foil laminates (potato chip bags)

All Recyclables must be placed in the Blue Recycling Cart

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ACCEPTED ITEMS AND PREPARATION		DO NOT INCLUDE
	<p>Newspapers</p> <p>Newspapers and all flyers Place them in the Blue Recycling Cart</p>	<p>No plastic bags No elastic bands</p>
	<p>Mixed Paper</p> <p>Items that are 100% paper, such as magazines, telephone books, junk mail, cards, bags, envelopes, egg cartons, office paper, paper back books, etc.</p> <p>Books are accepted – remove and discard hard covers</p>	<p>No metallic or glitter gift wrap/cards No photographs No used tissues or paper towels or any other contaminated paper No milk cartons or juice boxes No paper beverage cups (coffee, pop, etc) No shredded paper</p>
	<p>Chipboard</p> <p>Chipboard items such as cereal boxes, shoe boxes and paper towel center cores</p> <p>Paper egg cartons, gift boxes. Place them in the blue recycling cart.</p>	<p>Remove inner bags and liners</p>
	<p>Corrugated Cardboard</p> <p>Corrugated boxes must be flattened or cut and placed in Blue Recycling Cart</p> <p>Staples and tape are ok</p> <p>Any corrugated cardboard boxes that cannot fit into your Blue Cart can be taken to the Recycling Drop Off Center.</p>	<p>No cardboard that has been contaminated with oil or chemicals such as bakery boxes</p>

