



# Town of Middletown

## Pay As You Throw (PAYT) Subscription Fee Renewal, November 1, 2009-October 31, 2010

Middletown has increased the annual user fee to \$75 for the trash and recycling program<sup>1</sup> and has kept the cost of the PAYT bags at \$1.75 per 15 gallon bag, \$2.00 per 33 gallon bag.

Please fill in the information below, attach a check or money order for \$75 (made payable to Town of Middletown) and mail to Middletown Recycling, 350 East Main Rd, Middletown RI 02842. Upon receipt of your completed application, the Town will mail you a set of stickers to affix to your carts to indicate that your household participates in the Town's trash and recycling program.

Refuse, recycling and yard waste (including Christmas trees) will only be collected from households who pay the user fee.

**Payment must be received by October 31<sup>st</sup> in order for there to be no interruption of service. In addition to mailing this application to Town Hall, you may also purchase your stickers directly at the Department of Public Works at 19 Berkeley Avenue, which is open Monday-Friday, 7 a.m. – 3 p.m.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Physical Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

### Cart Information

Please record the seven digit serial number located on the front of each cart. Each serial number starts with "07".

Gray Refuse Cart: \_\_\_\_\_

Green Paper Recycling Cart: \_\_\_\_\_

Blue Glass, Plastic and Scrap Metal Cart: \_\_\_\_\_

If you have additional carts please list the color and the serial number below.

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**Cart Removal:** If you will no longer be participating in the PAYT program, please fill out your name, address, and phone number, and check the box below. We will contact you about removing your carts. [  ] Please remove my carts from the address listed above.

If you have any questions, please contact the recycling coordinator by phone (401) 842-6519, email [wcronin@middletownri.com](mailto:wcronin@middletownri.com) or fax (401) 845-0404.

For office use only

<sup>1</sup> User fee is one per household. Households eligible for Middletown's waste removal are 1 to 4 unit homes only, unless specific arrangements have been made. Residents of complexes and apartment buildings not using the PAYT program do not need to reply to this letter. Middletown and Waste Management reserve the right to refuse collection of material failing to meet RIRRC recycling standards and/or Middletown's PAYT requirements.

Your feedback is important to us. Please take this opportunity to complete a brief survey before returning your application to the Town.

### Optional Pay As You Throw Survey

On average, how many PAYT bags do you use weekly?

- Less than 1 per week
- 1 per week
- 2 per week
- 3 per week
- 4 or more per week
- Only large bags
- Only small bags
- A combination of large and small bags

How full do your recycling carts get?

- Half-full or less
- More than half-full
- Full or more

Do you put out yard waste for collection?  yes  no

Do you have an alternative way to disposing of your trash? If so how?

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On a scale from 1 to 5, how well do you recycle?

- 1  2  3  4  5  Does not recycle  
Great Poor

**How could Middletown make the curbside program more attractive to you?**

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### Did You Know?



- The State of Rhode Island only accepts plastic bottles with a **PETE** or a **HDPE** symbol. (In 2012 the State will have the ability to accept plastics 1 - 7)
- Plastic grocery bags, news paper bags and dry-cleaning bags are not to be placed in the recycling bins but may be placed in recycling containers found in most RI supermarkets, big-box retailers, and pharmacies.
- Frozen food containers, beer and soda cartons are not recyclable. This type of cardboard has been treated with a chemical that prevents it from disintegrating when the cans "sweat" and the same chemical makes it difficult for the paper mills to break down the cardboard with water when they try to recycle it. Please dispose of these items with your household refuse in the PAYT bags.
- The next local Eco-Depot, the free household hazardous waste collection, will be held in Newport on October 3, 2009. Call RIRRC at (401) 942-1430 x. 241 for an appointment.
- For best service, maintain three feet of space between the two carts, and between the carts and any mailbox or telephone pole.