


Half Moon Village Condominiums

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To: All Unit Owners
From: Tracey Rhodes, Property Manager 
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RE: Town of Ashland Trash Service

As you are most likely aware, on July 1, 2006, the Town of Ashland will begin a Pay As You Throw (P-A-Y-T) trash service. Each household will pay a yearly fee of \$138 (seniors may apply for a discounted yearly rate) and will also be required to dispose of trash in official town-approved orange bags. The bags will be available in two (2) sizes, 33 or 14 gallon and will be sold in rolls of five (5) – five 33 gal. bags for \$6.50 and five 14 gal. for \$3.75. Shaw's, CVS, Brooks, H&D Deli, Wine and Spirits and Market Basket will have the bags available for purchase. Full details on the trash and recycling programs are on the flyer included with this mailing.

The P-A-Y-T policy poses a unique challenge for the Town's condo associations -- we already face issues with unit owner and outside dumping. However, an outside contractor is an expensive proposition and services would necessarily be cut back if the Association opted out of Town trash services. With this in mind, the condos, through JAC, worked with the Town to make this a workable solution. In order to help ensure that Half Moon Village participates fully in the program and incurs the least amount of expense in illegal trash removal, the Board of Trustees adopted the following resolutions at its June 13, 2006 meeting:

No unit owner or resident of Half Moon Village may opt out of the Town of Ashland's P-A-Y-T trash service. Unit owners or residents who have not paid the Town of Ashland the required trash fee will be fined \$250 by the Association.

Unit owners or residents found in violation of the Town of Ashland's trash policy will be subject to an immediate fine of \$25 and the full cost of the trash removal fee – there will be no warning. A second violation will result in a fine of \$50 plus the full cost of the trash removal fee. Subsequent violations will result in fines of \$100 plus the full cost of the trash removal fee.

Thank you to those of you who have taken the time to educate yourselves about the current and future trash and recycling services and who dispose of your waste properly. The Board of Trustees appreciates your positive participation in our community. It is our sincere hope that between the Trustee's education efforts and unit owners' initiative, that the transition to the P-A-Y-T program will go smoothly and that no fines will be issued.

If you have questions about the P-A-Y-T program, please contact David Miller at the DPW, 508.881.0120 ext. 19.

Thank you.

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TOWN OF ASHLAND
RUBBISH/RECYCLING NEWS

PAY-AS-YOU-THROW: Effective July 1, 2006, Waste Management will be providing curbside rubbish & recycling pick-up to the Town of Ashland. Along with a new hauler for the rubbish and recycling, the Town of Ashland will be adopting a new form of solid waste management. The trash program will remain basically the same with a few changes that will increase recycling and allow residents to have more control over how much money they expend on rubbish/recycle removal. Following are some important changes to the program:

- Annual base charge will drop from \$215, per household to \$138, per household. Senior citizens (65 and over) will pay \$48 yearly, per household, down from \$115, per household, upon approval of completed application for discount. Applications are available at the DPW and the Treasurer's office
- Only "official" Town of Ashland rubbish bags will be picked-up at curbside. The bags will be orange in color and will be available in (2) sizes, 33 or 14 gallon and will be sold in rolls of (5) bags per package. The package of 33 gal. bags will sell for \$6.50 and the 14 gal. bags will sell for \$3.75. The bags will be available at Market Basket, Shaw's, CVS (Union St. location), E-Z Convenience Store and Brooks Pharmacy mid-June. For a complete and updated list, please David Miller at the DPW @ 508-881-0120, ext. 19 or visit us at: www.ashlandmass.com
- Recycling will be collected on a weekly basis, instead of bi-weekly. If you need additional recycle bins, they are available at the DPW office, Monday thru Friday, 8:30AM-4:30PM.

- You will still be able to dispose of (1) bulky item per month at no additional charge. However, you will be able to call Waste Management directly to schedule a more convenient date to have your item picked-up.
- Remember, the more you recycle...the more \$ you will save. With this new program, the overall costs for rubbish/recycling is ultimately controlled by you, the homeowner.

Please watch your mail during the month of June for complete details on the new program. In the interim, should you have questions or concerns on any and all things rubbish and recycling please feel free to contact David Miller at the DPW @ 508-881-0120, ext. 19.

MOTOR-OIL, OIL-BASE PAINT & MERCURY DROP-OFF & HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE:

Please be advised that this collection occurs on the 1st Saturday of each month (unless it falls on a holiday weekend, in which case it would occur on the following Saturday). This collection is for the items and substances specified, only. Pesticides, Anti-freeze and the like are **NOT** accepted at these collections but, are collected on the Annual Household Hazardous Waste Day, which takes place on Saturday, May 20TH from 9am-1pm at the DPW yard. **DO NOT** under and circumstances leave waste at the DPW unless there is someone there to accept it from you.

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING: The next electronics drop-off day will be held on Saturday, June 3rd at the DPW yard from 9am-12noon. This drop-off is for TVs, PCs, monitors, dehumidifiers, A/C units, etc. A nominal fee will be assessed at the time of drop-off. For further info., please contact David Miller at the DPW @ 508-881-0120, ext. 19.