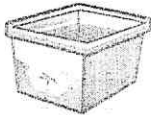


# Town & RM of Birtle Recycling & Waste Management Information

## Recycling Program and Garbage Pick Up

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Thank you to all Birtle Town and RM citizens for your effort and help in maintaining our recycling program. We can always improve on our recycling habits and in turn make our community a better place. A few facts to share with you are:

- Our recycling program has tripled its volume from 900 pounds/month to over 3 tons/month.
- Our recycling grade has risen from a C in 2008 to an A in 2010.
- 500 bags of garbage and 180 bags of recycling are collected per week in the Town of Birtle. Drive in traffic delivers 150 bags of garbage and 70 bags of recycling per week. Ideally these numbers should be reversed if we were all recycling everything we could.
- Only 54% of our community is recycling.
- Did you know that someone sorts through each and every recycling bag at Birtle's Recycling Depot.
- Did you know that there are approximately 50 citizens who regularly come to the Depot and sort their own recyclables.
- You can Google "recycling" and learn more about the benefits to the environment.



*Too much recyclable material is thrown in Birtle's Landfill*



## Town of Birtle—Regulations for Garbage Pick Up

- Garbage must be out by 9:00 a.m. for pick up on Thursday mornings
- Place garbage as close to the road as safely possible
- All garbage and recycling should be placed in garbage can or container
- All garbage to be in a proper bag, tied and weigh no more than 10 lbs. No ripped bags allowed.
- Loose material, garbage in grocery bags or kitchen catchers will not be picked up. Please have garbage in green, black, brown or orange bags.
- Do not secure garbage container with bricks, ropes or cords
- Broken glass or sharp objects should be in a safe container, not loose in the bag



*Make sure you know garbage pickup up regulations!*

## Birtle's Blue or Clear Bag Recycling Program

- All recycling must be at the curb by 9:00 a.m. on Thursday mornings
- Bags must be tied and weigh no more than 10 lbs.
- Loose material, material in boxes or ripped bags will not be picked up
- Electronics will not be picked up and they should not go in your bag.
- Wood or furniture will not be picked up
- All cardboard, including boxboard, has to be broken down and flattened with plastic removed
- All pop and water bottles must have caps removed
- All glass jars and bottles must have lids removed. No broken glass
- All materials are to be washed out and clean. No dirty material.
- Only material with a recycling symbol and number on it is recyclable.
- Do not put items inside one another
- Recyclables are not to be placed in grocery bags or kitchen catchers.



### Birtle Landfill Hours

Monday	2:00—5:00 pm
Tues., Wed., & Fri.	3:00—5:00 pm
Wednesday	3:00—5:00 pm
Wednesday (Summer)	7:00—9:00 pm
Saturday	10:00—12:00 & 1:00—4:00 pm
Thursdays	Closed



### Foxwarren Landfill Hours

Monday	2:00—5:00 pm
Wednesday (Winter)	4:00—6:00 pm
Wednesday (Summer)	5:00—8:00 pm
Saturday	9:00 am—noon



### Birtle Compost Site

Located behind the Birtle Arena. The following articles only for composting please: leaf & yard waste or food waste. No large trees or branches allowed.



The Birtle Recycling Program accepts only the following items and materials as long as they are clean and free of debris:

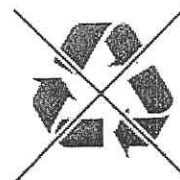


- Aluminum cans, metal cans
- Glass jars & bottles—caps & lids off
- #1 plastic
- Pop & water bottles—caps removed
- #2 plastic
- Milk jugs—caps removed
- #4, #5, & #7 Plastic
- Paper (any form) with plastic removed
- Cardboard & Boxboard—flattened
- Telephone books—plastic removed
- All caps and lids are #2
- Do not put items inside one another

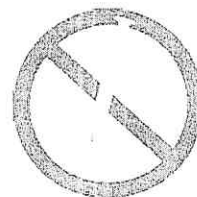
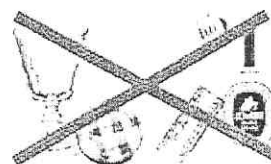
Look at the item you want to recycle and find the recycling symbol and number. If you find the symbol and a number, you can recycle the item. If you don't find one, its garbage.

## Items Not Recyclable or Not Accepted by Our Recycler

- Milk or Juice Tetra cartons, Juice Jammers
- Any septic packaging or material
- Black Clamshell material
- Any unclean material
- Any sharp objects or broken glass
- Cat litter, coffee grounds, egg shells, peels, soil and any type of food
- Diapers
- Light bulbs, pots, pans, kettles
- Any type of foam or meat trays
- Cellophane, saran wrap, tin foil, meat wrap
- Cardboard with plastic attached
- Any plastic without a symbol and #
- Plastic cups, plastic cutlery, paper plates
- #6 and #3 plastics
- Wet or unclean paper, napkins, tissues, paper towel
- Grocery bags, shopping bags, softener salt or wood pellet bags, sandwich bags
- Plastic liners out of cereal or cracker boxes
- Plastic out of cookie bags or boxes
- Chemicals and needles
- Screws or nails
- Solar or Christmas lights
- Clothing, shoes, boots, gloves, etc
- Metal that isn't a can
- Wood, picture frames, puzzle pieces
- Glass that isn't a jar or bottle



Non recyclable waste

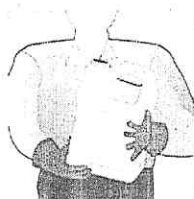


### COMMERCIAL/RESTRICTED PESTICIDE CONTAINERS

Empty, triple rinsed containers can be taken to the Fowarren Waste Disposal Grounds.

Unused, obsolete or unregistered pesticides should be disposed of by a licensed hazardous waste handling facility.

Pesticide containers which are oversized (over 23 litres) can be returned to where the product was purchased that has Agrichemical Warehousing Standards Association certification.



### BIRTLE LANDFILL ALSO ACCEPTS

Make every drop count.

Recycle your used oil, filters, Antifreeze and containers.

Manitoba's Used Oil & Antifreeze Program

- For a recycle centre near you:
- call 1-888-410-1110
  - visit [www.usedoilrecycling.com](http://www.usedoilrecycling.com)

