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**Hours of Operation: The Swap Shop is open on Saturdays the Recycling Center is open  
from 9 a.m. – 12:00 noon only**

### **Our Purpose**

The Townsend Swap Program on Greenville Road in West Townsend is a free outlet for materials that are still usable but for which there is no traditional re-use program. People are asked to use all other available outlets before bringing items to the Swap Shop

### **Our Intent**

To make items available to all persons, for their personal use, and not to allow one or a few persons to monopolize the facility. Therefore, any Recycling Center Employee has the right to restrict or refuse an individual's access to the facility for whatever reason. The Swap Program is not intended to be a resource for dealers or metal salvagers. Please limit yourself to five (5) items and a 15 minutes.

### **Materials Accepted**

The Recycling Center Employees will decide whether or not the material presented may be accepted as the Townsend Recycling Center does not want the Swap Program to become a free dumping ground. This list will be updated from time to time, so call to check if you have something questionable to bring in.

- \* Sports Equipment;
- \* Construction materials: eg lumber, bricks, blocks, electric wire, outlet boxes;
- \* Non-upholstered furniture: eg chairs, tables, bed frames, small tables, book cases;
- \* Lawn and garden furniture and equipment;
- \* Household items: eg dishes, kitchen ware, lamps, frames, utensils;
- \* Plumbing: sinks, pipes & fittings, hoses;
- \* Cabinets, shelves, counters;
- \* Small household appliances: eg toaster, toaster oven, iron, blender, mixer;
- \* Tools: eg construction - hand and power;
- \* Gas engine equipment: eg lawn mower, snowblower;
- \* Toys (complete and put together);
- \* Complete windows, doors;
- \* Usable LATEX paints and stains (during summer months only)

## Unacceptable Items

These are examples of items the Swap Shop cannot accept. At times there may be additional items we cannot accept due to space or other considerations:

- \* Appliances: refrigerators, cook stoves, washers, dryers, air conditioners; upholstered furniture; microwaves, televisions, mattresses, clothing, tires and computers – these can be disposed of at the Recycling Center for a fee.
- \* Toilets – take to Devens Recycling Center.
- \* Hazardous Chemicals – these things can be taken to the Devens Hazardous Waste Facility.

## Guidelines

1. Use other available outlets (such as thrift stores, consignment shops) before bringing things to the Swap Program.
2. Items must be in working order.
3. A Recycling Center Employee will decide if the item will be accepted.
4. Acceptable items may vary depending on space and other considerations.
5. You can check with the Townsend Board of Health for acceptability before bringing an item in.
6. Only Recycling Center Employees will attend to the delivering vehicles.
7. No idling of vehicles.
8. Only Recycling Center Employees or approved volunteers are to be in the office and receiving area.
9. Items accepted may go directly into the office for later distribution.
10. All items are offered without warranty of any kind.

***Program is for residential/personal use only... not commercial or resale.***

***No smoking allowed in Swap Program building or immediate area.***

***Visitors are encouraged to submit new ideas or suggestions to the Board of Health Office, 272 Main Street,  
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