Household Trash Pickup Guidelines

Disposal of household trash is more complicated on Bustins than on the mainland. It is lifted and moved by hand several times before reaching its final destination. Your cooperation is appreciated!

Do's

- Use heavy duty bags
- Limit weight to a maximum of 25 pounds
- Close bag securely
- Put bagged trash out on scheduled pickup days only (1)(2)(3)
- If leaving on a non-pickup day, take your trash with you or secure it and make arrangements with a neighbor to put it out (3)

Don'ts

- Do not overfill bags
- No construction debris such as packing materials, shingles, broken window glass or cardboard boxes
- No paint (6)
- No liquids, chemicals or batteries
- No large items (7)
- No wood ashes (8)

Tricks and tips:

- Compost food waste (5)
- Bring recyclables to a proper facility
- Remove packaging from items before bringing them to the island

Notes:

- 1. Trash is picked up weekly from Memorial Day through Columbus Day.
- 2. The schedule for trash pickup is posted at the store. Pickup is on Sundays except on holiday weekends when it is picked up on Monday.
- 3. Islanders are responsible for removing their trash from the island before Memorial Day and after Columbus Day.
- 4. Property owners will be charged a minimum of \$100.00 for pickup and disposal of any trash left out on non-pickup days.
- 5. Composting is simple with the use of a composter such as an "Earth Machine" available at hardware stores and garden centers.
- 6. Old liquid paint can be brought to Benjamin Moore in Yarmouth for proper disposal.
- 7. The overseers occasionally schedule a pickup of large trash items. Proper notice will be posted at the Store and on BIVC.net.
- 8. When fully extinguished, wood ashes can be buried or spread on gardens.