



**PLEASE NOTE: Due to staffing shortages, service disruptions may occur.
We apologize for any inconvenience.**

South Archipelago Waste Information Crane Lake, Healey Lake, Woods Bay, Sheep Head and Devil's Elbow Transfer Stations

All of the Township's waste sites are staffed to assist you. If you are unsure of where to dispose of an item, staff attendants are available at all sites to offer assistance and guidance. Please note that it is the responsibility of residents to sort their household garbage and recycling prior to arriving at the recycling and waste facility. Township staff will not open containers or sort materials for you.

Residents can bring up to 2 cubic yards of waste, once annually, free of charge to appropriate facilities. Any amount more than the 2 cubic yards will be subject to the prevailing tipping fee. Please review [By-Law 2022-08](#) for updated tipping fees that came into effect on January 1st, 2023.

Please Note:

1. Contractors are **not** entitled to the 2 cubic yard exemption.
2. A \$30 freon removal fee will be charged for items such as fridges, freezers, air conditioners etc.

Waste Management By-Law 22-08

The Township's Waste [By-Law 2022-08](#) has been updated. A copy of the [new By-Law](#) can be found on The Archipelago's website under "[By-Laws](#)". The effective date for the new fees was January 1st, 2023. You can also find more information in the [Waste & Recycling](#) section on our website. This By-Law was implemented to monitor usage more closely and to help with increasing diversion away from the landfill.

Payment Methods at Transfer Stations and Site 9

Payment methods available to residents and contractors are PayPal (via QR Code), Waste Tags, and a debit terminal (Site 9 only). Cash is no longer accepted for fee items; fees must be paid using one of the three payment methods mentioned above. Waste Tags are \$2.50 per tag and must be purchased in advance and provided to the attendant upon waste disposal. Waste tags are available for purchase in advance at the Township office, Holiday Cove Marina, and Site 9. When using PayPal, we recommend you download the PayPal app and create an account prior to going to the transfer stations to save yourself time. The preferred method of payment at Site 9 Landfill is the debit terminal. All fees must be paid at time of disposal.

Importance of Recycling

It is important to emphasize waste diversion from our landfill. To maximize the useful life of the landfill we encourage residents to maximize their recycling efforts. In 2024 a "behind the scenes" change to recycling will occur in which producing organizations will contract the municipality to collect and return recyclables. The importance of proper sorting, and free of contamination, is more important than ever, as the Township will be penalized for incorrect sorting or contamination.

FoodCycler Program

The Archipelago subsidized a successful FoodCycler program in 2023 in which 280 units were sold resulting in 92 tonnes of organic waste being diverted from the landfill. This resulted in 57 tonnes equivalent carbon dioxide emissions reduction from baseline waste data. There are 20 FoodCyclers available for purchase at The Archipelago office, and potential for online purchasing in 2024.

Clear Plastic Bags

The Archipelago is committed to operating safe and efficient recycling and waste facilities. The Township adopted a "clear bag program" as a cost-effective measure to increase the diversion of recyclable materials from the waste stream. Additionally, the implementation of a clear bag program improves worker safety as they can conduct a quick assessment of the contents and ensure that there are no hazardous items inside that could cause injury. **It is therefore mandatory that all household garbage and/or recyclables be placed in clear plastic bags. Open recycling containers are also acceptable.**

Waste Disposal Cards

All users of the Township's recycling and waste disposal facilities must present a waste disposal card to the attendant. If you are a new owner of property in the Township and require a card, or require a replacement card, please call the Township Office at 705-746-4243 Ext. 338. You may also submit a [Service Request](#) on the Township's website at <http://www.thearchipelago.ca>. Please note that waste cards do not have an expiry date.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW)

The Township of The Archipelago has an agreement with the Town of Parry Sound for Archipelago residents to dispose of household hazardous waste at the MacFarlane Street Transfer Station, located at 57 MacFarlane Street in Parry Sound. Commercial hazardous waste is not accepted.

Acceptable Items

Please visit the [Township's website](#) for more information regarding the accepted items, such as recycling, scrap metal, electronic waste, tires, brush, etc. at each transfer station, as not all transfer stations accept the same items.

<https://www.thearchipelago.ca>

Please download the PayPal app in advance of delivering payable fee items to the transfer stations.



2024 Hours of Operation

Please consult the Township's website www.thearchipelago.ca for current information, updates, and listings of items accepted at the Township's waste facilities.

If the transfer stations or the Landfill (Site #9) is scheduled to be open on Christmas eve the Site hours will be adjusted at the Transfer Stations and the Landfill from 8:00 am - Noon.

Healey Lake Transfer Station

169 Healey Lake Road

	Summer *	Winter	<u>Open until 9:00 pm</u>	<u>Closed</u>
Sunday	9:00 am - 9:00 pm	9:00 am - 6:00 pm	<i>Family Day</i>	<i>New Year's Day</i>
Monday	8:00 am - 4:00 pm	Closed	<i>Easter Monday</i>	<i>Good Friday</i>
Tuesday	8:00 am - 4:00 pm	Closed	<i>Victoria Day</i>	<i>Christmas Day</i>
Wednesday	Closed	Closed	<i>Canada Day</i>	<i>Boxing Day</i>
Thursday	8:00 am - 4:00 pm	8:00 am - 4:00 pm	<i>Civic Holiday</i>	
Friday	8:00 am - 4:00 pm	Closed	<i>Labour Day</i>	
Saturday	8:00 am - 4:00 pm	Closed	<i>Thanksgiving Day</i>	

* Summer Hours commence **Saturday of Victoria Day Weekend** and end on Thanksgiving Day.

Crane Lake Transfer Station

346 Blackstone-Crane Lake Road

	Summer *	Winter	<u>Open until 8:00 pm</u>	<u>Closed</u>
Sunday	8:00 am - 8:00 pm	9:00 am - 7:00 pm	<i>Family Day</i>	<i>New Year's Day</i>
Monday	8:00 am - 4:00 pm	Closed	<i>Easter Monday</i>	<i>Good Friday</i>
Tuesday	Closed	Closed	<i>Victoria Day</i>	<i>Christmas Day</i>
Wednesday	Closed	Closed	<i>Canada Day</i>	<i>Boxing Day</i>
Thursday	8:00 am - 4:00 pm	Closed	<i>Civic Holiday</i>	
Friday	Closed	Closed	<i>Labour Day</i>	
Saturday	8:00 am - 4:00 pm	Closed	<i>Thanksgiving Day</i>	

* Summer Hours commence **Saturday of Victoria Day Weekend** and end on Thanksgiving Day.

Woods Bay Transfer Station

718 Healey Lake Road

	Summer *	Winter	<u>Open until 9:00 pm</u>	<u>Closed</u>
Sunday	9:00 am - 9:00 pm	9:00 am - 6:00 pm	<i>Family Day</i>	<i>New Year's Day</i>
Monday	9:00 am - 6:00 pm	Closed	<i>Easter Monday</i>	<i>Good Friday</i>
Tuesday	Closed	Closed	<i>Victoria Day</i>	<i>Christmas Day</i>
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Friday	9:00 am - 6:00 pm	Closed	<i>Labour Day</i>	
Saturday	9:00 am - 6:00 pm	Closed	<i>Thanksgiving Day</i>	

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Devil's Elbow Transfer Station

137 B704 (McLaren) Island

(Please note that inclement weather, including fog and ice, may result in late openings, early closures or all-day closures in extreme events.)

	Spring May 12 to June 2	Summer June 3 to Sept 15	Fall Sept 16 to Oct 14	*Exceptions: Site will be open on Victoria Day and Thanksgiving Day
Sunday	9:00 am – 7:00 pm	8:30 am – 7:00 pm	9:00 am – 4:30 pm	
Monday	Closed*	8:30 am - 7:00 pm	Closed*	
Tuesday	Closed	Closed	Closed	
Wednesday	Closed	8:30 am - 7:00 pm	9:00 am – 4:30 pm	
Thursday	Closed	Closed	Closed	
Friday	Closed	8:30 am - 7:00 pm	9:00 am – 4:30 pm	
Saturday	Closed	8:30 am - 7:00 pm	9:00 am – 4:30 pm	

Sheep Head Transfer Station

378 Georgian Bay Water (Sheep Head Bay)

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	Spring May 12 to June 2	Summer June 3 to Sept 15	Fall Sept 16 to Oct 14	*Exceptions: Site will be open on Victoria Day and Thanksgiving Day
Sunday	9:30 am – 6:30 pm	9:00 am – 6:30 pm	9:30 am – 4:00 pm	
Monday	Closed*	9:00 am – 6:30 pm	Closed*	
Tuesday	Closed	Closed	Closed	
Wednesday	Closed	9:00 am – 6:30 pm	9:30 am – 4:00 pm	
Thursday	Closed	Closed	Closed	
Friday	Closed	9:00 am – 6:30 pm	9:30 am – 4:00 pm	
Saturday	Closed	9:00 am – 6:30 pm	9:30 am – 4:00 pm	

Site 9 Landfill

(10 Site 9 Road)

	Summer *	Winter	Exceptions: Closed on: New Year's Day Family Day Good Friday Canada Day Christmas Day Boxing Day
Sunday	Closed	Closed	
Monday	8:00 am - 5:00 pm	8:00 am - 5:00 pm	
Tuesday	Closed	Closed	
Wednesday	8:00 am - 5:00 pm	8:00 am - 5:00 pm	
Thursday	Closed	Closed	
Friday	8:00 am - 5:00 pm	Closed	
Saturday	8:00 am - 5:00 pm	8:00 am - 5:00 pm	

* Summer Hours commence the **first Saturday in April** and end on Thanksgiving Day

MacFarlane Street and Twelve Mile Bay Road Waste Transfer Site

The Township of The Archipelago has agreements with neighbouring municipalities for household garbage and recycling collection only. Please confirm with the Town of Parry Sound or the District of Muskoka for hours of operation at the relevant site and use The Archipelago bins.