Recycling Center Ordinance
Town of Swanzey

Pursuant to the authority of RSA 31:39 and RSA 147, the Town of Swanzey hereby adopts the following ordinance for the operation of its public disposal facility known as the Recycling Center.

1. HOURS

The Recycling Center will be open for use by Swanzey residents and non-resident property owners during the following days and hours under the following conditions.

A. Admission to the center will be by permit issued annually by the Board of Selectmen upon application to the Board of Selectmen upon application to the Selectmen by an appropriate person, business or institution, All permits must be attached to a motor vehicle vent window, outside mirror or bumper. A permit fee will be established annually by the Selectmen.
B. The center will be open on the following days and hours:

   Disposal of Regular Trash, Refuse, Burnable Building Waste, Bush and Other accepted waste:

   Tuesday and Friday 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
   Wednesday 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
   Saturday 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

   The Board of Selectmen, after conducting a public hearing may adjust the hours of operation.

2. SEPARATION

All material brought to the center for disposal shall be separated into the following categories to be deposited in the designated containers or locations as the attendant directs. This list of recyclables may change due to availability of markets. Notice of any changes will be posted at the Recycling Center and Town Hall. Attendants are authorized by this ordinance to inspect all bags and boxes for compliance with the terms of this ordinance and may refuse to accept garbage bags containing recyclable items.

A. Glass	Means empty glass containers separated by color (clear, blue, green and brown). No ceramics, window glass, or light bulbs. Labels do not have to be removed but containers should be rinsed clean. Lids must be removed.
B. Paper	Shall mean clean, dry paper separated as to newspapers, corrugated paper, cardboard and brown paper bags.
C. Aluminum Cans	Beverage, pet food cans and aluminum foil.
D. Large Metal Objects	Means scrap metal of all kinds, automobile parts, pipe, wire, motors, tools and bed springs. All non-metal parts must be removed.
E. White Goods	Means refrigerators, stoves, dishwashers, dryers, hot water heats, etc. Doors shall be removed from all appliances. A fee of $5.00 will be charged per vehicle.

F. Automobiles	Shall be placed in the area designated by the attendant. A fee of $50.00 will be charged per vehicle.
G. Tires	Means automobile, truck, motorcycle and bicycle tires removed from the wheel or rim. A fee of $1.00 for car tires and $2.00 for truck tires shall be charged for each tire.
H. Leaves and Clippings	Means all lawn clippings, green and dry garden waste, leaves and manure which should be placed in the compost pile
I. Tree Limbs and Brush	Means all tree limbs and brush and should be placed in the burning pit indicated by the attendant.
J. Used Motor Oil	Leave in a container in custody of the attendant.
K. Building Materials	Means refuse from demolished buildings. Burnables are to be separated from non-burnables.
L. Garbage	Means any other residential waste not otherwise indicated.
M Batteries	Placed on a pallet designated by the attendant. A fee of $1.00 per battery will be will be charged.

N. Mixed Paper	Means junk mail, magazines, envelopes, can labels, cereal, cake mix and other boxes.
O. Steel Cans	Means food and juice cans. Does not include paint or aerosol cans.
P. Plastics	Means both P.E.T. and H.D.P.E. containers.

The fees charged for the disposal of materials in this section may be adjusted by the Board of Selectmen after a public hearing. New fees for materials may also be set by the Board in the same manner.

3. UNACCEPTABLE MATERIALS

Harmful, hazardous or toxic substances per list on file at the Selectmen's Office.

4. SUPERVISION

The Center attendant shall have the right to refuse the use of the facility to any person, corporation or other user who is misusing the facility or is violating this ordinance or who does not have the proper permit. Any such user who refuses to obey the legitimate orders of the attendant shall be guilty of a violation of this ordinance.

5. BURNING

No burning shall be allowed at the facility except at the direction and supervision of the Center's Operator.

6. FIREARMS

The discharge of firearms is absolutely prohibited at the facility.

7. ORIGIN OF MATERIAL DISPOSED OF AT THE FACILITY

Only material collected within the Town of Swanzey or such other Towns as approved by the Selectmen shall be disposed of at the Recycling Center.

8. TRESSPASS

The gates will be locked at all times when the Center is not open to the public. Anyone entering the Center when the gate is locked is guilty of trespass and shall be charged with violating the terms of this ordinance.

9. EXEMPTION

The Town is aware that some persons or businesses will find recycling difficult, in special circumstances; application may be made to the Board of Selectmen and the center's operator for a waiver from the terms of this ordinance.

10. PENALTY

Any person or corporation convicted of violating any provisions of this ordinance or the directives of the Recycling Center attendant may be punished by a fine of up to $1,000 for each violation payable to the Town of Swanzey.

11. SEPERABILITY

The invalidity of any provision of this Ordinance shall not affect the validity of any other provision nor the validity of the Ordinance as a whole. This Ordinance shall automatically repeal any other ordinance that is in conflict with the Ordinance.

12. EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance shall take effect on September 1, 1988.