Solid Waste Collection

The new system, Pay As You Throw (PAYT), allows residents to pay for their own waste disposal by purchasing special town trash bags for collection. Beginning Monday, September 12, 2005, Pine Tree Waste will continue collecting trash on your normal pick up day. However, the collectors will ONLY be collecting Town of Cumberland Pay As You Throw trash bags. ANY other trash bags will NOT be collected.

The special trash bags can be purchased at local retailers including, but not limited to, Hannaford West Falmouth, Falmouth Shaw's, Yarmouth Hannaford, Town Landing Market, Big Apple, Food Stop, and J. Brother's Variety. The bags are sold in two sizes, 33 gallon and 20 gallon. Retailers will sell these bags in packages of ten at \$2.50 and \$1.25 per bag or \$25.00 and \$12.50 respectively. The best way to reduce waste management costs is to recycle. Pine Tree Waste will be collecting recyclables on the same day as your trash, so be sure to recycle any and all materials that you can.

Your solid waste and recycling should be curbside by 7:00 am on the day of your collection, but not earlier than 6:00 pm on the day before. You should protect your trash from animals and inclement weather by using covered containers or sealed plastic bags. When placing materials curbside, please separate your trash and recyclables by approximately 3 feet.

The curbside collection is currently provided by Pine Tree Waste and any collection problems or questions should be reported to them by calling 773-1122 and asking for a Customer Services Representative.