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This directory is intended to help users properly dispose of, and if possible, divert items from landfill disposal. Northampton County does not promote any particular business. The mention of any business or organization does not constitute its endorsement by the County. This is only to serve as a guide and is not necessarily complete. However, if you would like an item or location added let us know by emailing PUBWRKSCentral@northamptoncounty.org

MATERIAL	WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW:		DISPOSAL METHOD
YARD FURNITURE METAL	Unwanted metal yard and lawn furniture can be donated. Unusable metal yard furniture can be recycled as scrap metal at a municipal recycling drop-off site or scrap yard.		Donate or Metal Scrap Recycling
YARD FURNITURE PLASTIC	Unusable plastic yard and lawn furniture may be recyclable at a municipal recycling drop-off site. The type of plastic used in yard and lawn furniture is known as bulky rigid plastic. These plastic items have a #2 (HDPE) or #5 (PP) in the chasing arrow symbol on them and are larger than what is acceptable in curbside recycling. If you cannot access a municipal recycling site, plastic lawn furniture can be disposed of as trash. You may need to schedule or call ahead to your trash hauler and let them know you have bulky items to dispose of.	 	Municipal Recycling Drop-Off Locations Trash
YARD WASTE	Pennsylvania defines Yard Waste as leaves, grass clippings, garden residue, tree trimmings, chipped shrubbery and other vegetative material. Together with food scraps, these organic materials make up almost 30% of the waste we bury in landfills. Municipalities with a population greater than 5,000 (mandated municipalities) are required to offer collection programs for "Leaf Waste." Residents and businesses in municipalities with no yard-waste drop-off options can use First Regional Compost Authority , located at 6701 Weaversville Rd., Northampton. <i>Fees may apply.</i>	 	Municipal Yard Waste Drop-Off Locations First Regional Compost Authority
YARD WASTE COMPOSTING	Composting at home is an easy and inexpensive way to manage your yard waste and some food scraps (no meat, bones, or oily foods). The final product of composting is, compost. It is a product that can be used as a soil amendment, mulch, or as part of a potting mix.		Composting
YARD WASTE GRASSCYCLING	Grasscycling is easy, especially if you have a mulching mower. Simply cut the grass and leave the clippings lay. Grass clippings are high in nitrogen. Leaving them lay prevents the removal of this valuable fertilizer and reduces the need to fertilize your lawn. Proper mowing is important with grasscycling. You may need to mow more frequently in the spring and less, later in the year.		Grasscycling
YARD WASTE LEAVES	Pennsylvania defines Leaf Waste as leaves, garden residues, shrubbery and tree trimmings, and similar material, but not including grass clippings. The reason grass clippings are not included is because grass gives off odors in the form of ammonia if not properly managed. Facilities that accept grass clippings require a special, more stringent permit. Consequently, these facilities are not as common as Leaf Waste composting facilities. Burning leaf and yard waste is illegal in mandated municipalities. For other municipalities, burning leaves is a violation of the Clean Air Act because of the harmful emissions and nuisance created from the smoke. Yard waste blown or dumped into the street can block culverts and storm drains causing flooding and other issues. Chemical residues from yard waste fertilizers, pesticides, and herbicides can also make their way into our waterways through improperly managed yard debris. Leaves can be a great source of nutrients for your property, so consider mulching them into fertilizer for your yard or garden. However, a decaying mat of leaves on your lawn can expose it to mold and disease. If your lawn is covered with more than 50 percent of decaying leaves, consider bagging or composting leaves, rather than mulching.	 	Contact municipality for leaf collection schedule Municipal Yard Waste Drop-Off Locations
YARD WASTE LEAVES: CURBSIDE COLLECTION	Mandated municipalities are required to provide seasonal curbside pickup of leaf waste and provide other opportunities for residents throughout the rest of the year. Check with your municipality for your schedule. Follow your municipal instructions on how and when to place your leaves at the curb, be sure not to contaminate your piles with material that could harm the collection vacuums.		Contact municipality for leaf collection schedule

YARN	Unwanted yarn can be donated to community groups and nursing homes. Unusable yarn should be thrown away in the trash.	 Donate
		 Trash
YOGA MATS	If your mat is still in decent shape, consider donating it to a community center that offers yoga or exercise classes. Animal shelters will sometimes accept them to use in cages. Some other household uses include: cut to size for under an area rug for a non-slip grip, toolbox liner, shoe inserts, computer mouse pads, grippers for opening jars and knee pads for work under cars or in the garden. To recycle mats, contact Recycle Your Mat . You can mail your yoga mat to them, or look for a studio near you. Yoga mats that cannot be donated should be thrown away in the trash.	 Donate
		 Trash