



## Issue 3: March 2008

### Don't Miss Your Collection Day (Petawawa, Pembroke & Laurentian Valley Residents)

Your Collection Day **may be changing**, please refer to the map on your 2008/09 Collection Schedule. Still not sure what day to put your material out for collection? Visit our website and click on [Collection Day Finder](#) or call 613-735-7537.

#### Petawawa Residents

Collection Day changes effective **April 1<sup>st</sup>**

#### Pembroke Residents

Collection Day changes effective **March 31<sup>st</sup>**

#### Laurentian Valley Residents

Collection Day changes effective **April 1<sup>st</sup>**  
3 Bag Garbage limit per household effective **April 1<sup>st</sup>**

Collection Schedules were delivered last week, if you didn't get yours, call 613-735-7537 to have one mailed to you or visit our website to [download a copy](#). Copies are also available at your Municipal Office.

### Sort It Out!

Are you "walking lightly on the environment"? Think you know what goes where? Test your knowledge on what can be recycled & composted by playing our NEW interactive web game - [Sort it Out!](#) "Blue Box Betty", "Curby the Green Cart" or "Toby the Triple R Can" will cheer you on as you drag and drop each item into the blue box, green cart, yellow can or garbage. Test your knowledge then tell your kids, maybe they'll want to play too.

### Do You Know Where it Goes?

Some materials make us think twice before we throw them away. Is it Recyclable? Can it be Composted? Or is it Garbage?

#### Usable Clothing & Footwear

Clothing & footwear that is still **usable** (can be worn again) can be donated to a charity or place it in a clear plastic bag and set it out beside your Blue Box on Paper Recycling collection days.

#### Unusable Clothing & Footwear

Clothing & footwear that is stained, torn, ripped or worn is **regular garbage**. This includes unusable cleaning rags, bedding, blankets etc.

### MOE Announces Phase 1 of Hazardous or Special Waste Program

Ontario's Minister of the Environment approved [Phase 1](#) of a program to decrease the amount of hazardous or special waste ending up in local landfills. Developed by [Waste Diversion Ontario](#), this program will help increase access to hazardous waste disposal options for Ontario residents. Companies who manufacture and sell hazardous or special waste products will now pay fees that will make up the new funding program.

Phase 1 of the program, which covers a wide range of Hazardous or Special Waste (HSW) products such as paints, batteries and propane tanks, is set to begin July 1<sup>st</sup> and will provide funding to Municipalities that will cover the costs of program activities after the collection of materials at HSW collection events. Examples of this include transportation of the waste from collection facilities, processing, recycling & disposal of waste and promotion & education activities. Development of Phase 2 of the program will begin shortly and provide funding for products such as portable fire extinguishers, pharmaceuticals and syringes.

The OVWRC has been operating a [HSW Depot](#) since January 2002; this new program will assist in off-setting a significant portion of operating costs and will allow us to offer even more [Mobile Events](#) in our Community. Please keep in mind that source reduction is the best way to reduce hazardous waste. Buy only what you need and use it up.

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