

Resolution 2022-12

Chestnuthill Township

Resolution to Establish Commercial Compost Facility User Fees

WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection has recommended that Chestnuthill Township (Township) establish a means to ensure the future financial sustainability/viability of its compost facility, including the maintenance and replacement of equipment used at this facility to process leaf and yard waste.

NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Chestnuthill Township, Monroe County, Pennsylvania, that certain fees are established for residents, non-profits and commercial users for the Chestnuthill Township Compost Facility pursuant to Exhibit A, Establishment of Regulations and Fee Schedules for Township Residents, Non-Profits, and Commercial Users for Chestnuthill Township's Compost Facility attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

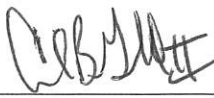
I, Cathy A. Martinelli, duly qualified Secretary to the Board of Supervisors of Chestnuthill Township, Monroe County, Brodheadsville, PA, hereby certify that the forgoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution duly adopted by a majority vote of the Board of Supervisors at a regular meeting held on July 5, 2022, and said resolution has been recorded in the minutes of Chestnuthill Township and remains in effect as of this date.

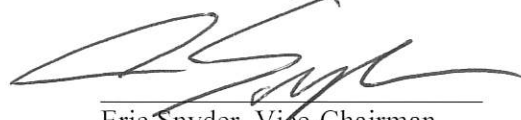
IN WITNESS THEREOF, I affix my hand and attach the seal of Chestnuthill Township, this 5th day of July, 2022.

ATTEST:


Cathy A. Martinelli, Secretary

CHESTNUTHILL TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS


Carl B. Gould II, Chairman


Eric Snyder, Vice-Chairman


Robert Baxter, Supervisor

EXHIBIT A

Establishment of Regulations and Fee Schedules for Compost Materials Collected within the Physical Boundaries of Chestnuthill Township by Township Residents, Non-Profit's and Commercial Users of the Chestnuthill Township Compost Facility.

As an Act 101 mandated municipality Chestnuthill Township ("Township") operates a leaf and yard waste composting facility/drop-off site located at 3143 Hillcrest Dr. The Compost facility provides Township residents, Non-Profits and Commercial Landscapers/Contractors the ability to deliver leaf and yard waste that was collected within the physical boundary of Chestnuthill Township and to acquire valuable products (compost and mulch) resulting from the processing of the leaf and yard waste.

The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection ("Department") has recommended that the Township establish a means to ensure the future financial sustainability/viability of its compost facility, including the maintenance and replacement of equipment used at this facility to process leaf and yard waste.

In consideration of the costs associated with the operation of the compost facility, the Department's recommendation, the increasing competitive nature and uncertainty of future ACT 101 grant funding, the Township Board of Supervisors have established reasonable fees for continued use of the drop-off site and for products generated from the processing of leaf and yard waste at the compost facility. **NOTE: Chestnuthill Township residents will continue to enjoy the ability to drop-off leaf and yard waste and to self-load products (compost and mulch) free of charge as set forth herein. A nominal fee (loading fee) will be charged for quantities of products loaded by Township personnel (as specified in the Fee Schedule). PROOF OF RESIDENCY IS REQUIRED.**

Commercial Fee Structure

The Township Board of Supervisors have established a fee structure for commercial users for disposition of permitted leaf and yard waste at the Township's compost facility.

Commercial users have a per-load fee schedule according to the following Drop-Off Fee Schedule.

Fees

DROP-OFF

Chestnuthill Township residents will continue to be able to use the drop-off site free of charge as set forth herein. Proof of residency is required. Commercial entities will be charged (per applicable delivery) as specified in the Drop-Off Fee Schedule below.

Chestnuthill Township does not accept leaf and yard waste and tree debris from residents outside of Chestnuthill Township, nor any such material that originated outside of Chestnuthill Township. Chestnuthill Township reserves the right to limit the quantity of material, and type of material, delivered to or dropped off at leaf and yard waste composting facility.

Prices are subject to annual review and modification. Leaf and yard waste delivery vehicles not consistent with the following listed vehicle types tipping fee will be determine by the on-site operator, based on comparative vehicle size/capacity. All fees are determined by the load capacity of the vehicle not by the volume of the load at the time of delivery. **Only** acceptable materials, (leaves, grass clippings, brush and tree trimmings) are to be delivered. These materials should be delivered source separated, to the extent possible. **No treated lumber, painted wood, stained wood, flake board, plywood, tree stumps/roots, rocks, dirt, clean fill, plastic bags, metal, or municipal waste or rubbish of any kind will be accepted!**

Drop-Off Fee Schedule

TYPE OF VEHICLE	FEE
Van/Pick-Up Truck	\$ 10.00
One Ton Dump Truck	\$ 15.00
Single Axle Dump Truck	\$ 25.00
Tandem Axle Dump Truck	\$ 50.00
Single Axle Utility Trailer	\$ 10.00
Tandem Axle Utility Trailer	\$ 15.00
Heavy Duty Dump Trailer	\$ 25.00
Fifth Wheel Dump Trailer	\$ 75.00
Chipper/Forestry Truck - Wood Chips	\$ 10.00
Chipper/Forestry Truck - Brush & Limbs	\$ 25.00

PRODUCTS/MATERIALS

Chestnuthill Township residents will continue to be able to self-load limited quantities of compost and mulch free of charge. **Proof of residency is required.**

All products loaded by Township personnel (for all residential and non-profit users) will be charged as specified in the Products/Materials Loading Fee Schedule below. **The loading of materials will only occur on Saturdays by Township Personnel**, Residential and non-profit users are not permitted to load products/ materials by any equipment or tools other than manually by a shovel or up to 5-gallon bucket. No power or manual equipment or tools shall be used to cut, split or process any material at the township's Yard Waste and Compost Facility. Proof of 501.c.3 is required for any non-profit using the Products/Materials loading service. **NOTE: Commercial entities are not eligible to use the Products/Materials loading service.**

Products/Materials Loading Fee Schedule

PRODUCTS/MATERIALS	FEE
Mulch	
Loading Fee Per Yard	\$ 5.00
Non-Profit Loading Fee Per Yard	\$ 2.50
Compost	
Loading Fee Per Yard	\$ 8.00
Non-Profit Loading Fee Per Yard	\$ 4.00

Yard Waste Site Rules & Regulations

1. Acceptable leaf and yard waste includes only leaves, grass clippings brush or tree trimmings to a maximum length of five (5) feet and a maximum diameter of thirty (30) inches, natural Christmas trees and wood chips.
2. All leaf and yard waste shall be deposited in the designated areas.
3. The following items are specifically prohibited from being deposited at the drop-off site:
 - a. Tree Stumps
 - b. Construction/Demolition waste of any nature, including lumber, stone, brick, asphalt or concrete
 - c. Metal, plastic bags and paper waste
 - d. Garden produces such as tomatoes, apples, pumpkins, etc.
 - e. Garbage or refuse or litter of any variety
 - f. Any material not listed herein deemed prohibited is the sole discretion of the onsite municipal personnel
4. Hours of Operation
 - a. Drop-Off

- i. Monday and Wednesday 7:00am to 2:45pm beginning April 1st to November 30th.
 - ii. Saturdays 7:00am to 3:45pm, beginning December 1st to March 31st.
 - iii. Saturdays 7:00am to 4:45pm, beginning April 1st to November 30th.
 - iv. Closed:
 - 1. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday & Sundays December 1st thru March 31st,
 - 2. Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Sundays, April 1st to November 30th.
 - 3. Holidays
 - v. Chestnuthill Township Board of Supervisors reserves the right to close access to the composting facility at any time for the purpose of operating the equipment upon the site, the inspection and maintenance of the equipment at the site or for any reason it is deemed necessary.
 - b. Loading
 - i. Saturdays 7:00am to 3:30pm, beginning December 1st to March 31st.
 - ii. Saturdays 7:00am to 4:30pm, beginning April 1st to November 30th.
5. Payments
- a. All payments for dropping off materials at the Township Compost Facility must be paid using a credit or debit card. **Cash will not be accepted** as payment.
6. The following circumstance shall constitute a violation of these Rules and Regulations.
- a. The disposition of any unacceptable material at the drop-off site.
 - b. The disposition of any material at the entry to, or along, Hillcrest Dr, or not within the yard waste processing area.
 - c. The disposition of any material at the drop-off site at any time other than the designated hours of operation.
 - d. All loads of materials/product must be taped prior to exiting the compost facility.
 - e. Smoking and other hazardous activities are not allowed at the Composting Facility.
7. Violation of any of the Rules and Regulations, upon conviction thereof in a summary proceeding, is subject to a fine not less than \$300.00, but not more than \$1,000.00 in addition to applicable costs for each rule or regulation violated, for each time violation occurs.

Notice: Persons using the Compost Facility do so at their own risk. Any person using the Compost Facility who causes damage or injury to persons or property shall be liable for said damage and/or injury.

Mulch/Compost Disclaimer. Mulch/Compost is a natural, material that has been stored processed outside. The processing of said materials has been managed to improve decomposition, reduce weeds, diseases and insects. However, mulch/compost may still contain allergens, weeds, insects or foreign matter. Sensitive users should wear proper clothing and protection when handling the mulch/compost. Chestnuthill Township makes no guarantee concerning the quality of the mulch/compost and assumes no liability for injury or property damage as a result of the use or delivery of the mulch/compost. Residential, non-profit and commercial users who obtain mulch/compost from Chestnuthill Township do so at their own risk.