

Program Details

Foam, otherwise known as expanded polystyrene (EPS) or Styrofoam, is a hard to recycle material that most Towns do not accept. You can identify it by looking for a #6 recycle symbol somewhere on the item. The Town of Gilford is the first NH hub location for foam collection and recycling. All acceptable types of foam will be densified down into plastic ingots by chopping, heating and removing the air in a densifier unit patented by Foam Cycle, LLC. The Town will then market and sell the ingots for reuse into new materials, thereby reducing the polystyrene going into the waste stream, our waters and our landscapes.



Contact Us

Join us in helping to keep polystyrene plastic out of the waste stream, our waters and our landscapes.



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Drop Off Locations

For Gilford residents and clubs or organizations with a valid pass to drop-off:

Gilford Solid Waste Center
100 Recycle Way
Gilford, NH 03249
Tues - Sat 8am - 4pm

***May need to use "150 Kimball Rd" in GPS*

For the general public and off-hours:

Gilford Department of Public Works
55 Cherry Valley Road
Gilford, NH 03249

Foam Recycling

TOWN OF GILFORD, NH
SOLID WASTE CENTER
NH'S 1ST COLLECTION HUB



Gilford Residents



Gilford residents with valid town stickers can drop off foam during Gilford Solid Waste Center normal business hours (Tues - Sat, 8am - 4pm). Another collection bin is available at the Gilford Department of Public Works to the general public (24/7). Please print and read the Foam Recycling 101 flyer BEFORE dropping off polystyrene to a drop-off bin.

Rotary Clubs



Gilford's foam recycling program is a collaborative effort with Northern New England Rotary Clubs. All clubs are encouraged to hold foam collection events, place collection bins at designated locations within their community, or work with neighboring communities on a multi-town collection event. Please print and read the Foam Recycling 101 flyer in advance of the event so that you can educate the public attending on what is acceptable foam material. Once an event is organized, contact the Gilford DPW to obtain a vehicle guest pass to be able drop off collected foam at the Gilford Solid Waste Center during normal business hours or at an agreed upon time.

Please contact your Rotary District Governor for more information on getting your club involved.

General Public



The general public are able to access a collection bin available 24/7 at the Gilford Department of Public Works for drop off of acceptable foam (#6 polystyrene) materials. The public is NOT currently able to access the Gilford Solid Waste Center without a town sticker or vehicle pass. Temporary day passes will only be issued to someone who has a very large amount of foam that cannot fit in the collection bin. Please print and read the Foam Recycling 101 flyer BEFORE dropping off polystyrene to a drop-off bin.

