Please help keep Bernards Township a beautiful and clean community to live in. Everyone can do their part to accomplish this by placing your container at the curb no earlier than 6:00PM the night before your scheduled pick-up, as regulated by the General Ordinance of the Township of Bernards Concerning Recycling.

Placement of your recycling container to the curb prior to 6:00PM would further expose the container to the elements and animals and could thereby pose a sanitation risk. Failure to comply with the Township ordinance may result in the issuance of a summons.

Why should we recycle?

- “It’s the Law”.
- Recycling helps generate funds for Somerset County, thereby reducing the need for additional taxes.
- Recycling keeps down the garbage tonnage, thereby minimizing the impact to our environment.
- Recycling helps reduce how much trash is placed at the curb, thereby reducing your monthly trash hauler disposal fees.

What can I recycle in Somerset County?

- Newspapers – must be bundled and tied with string or twine.
- Glass Bottles, Plastic Bottles (1 thru 7), Steel, Bimetal & Aluminum Cans – these items should be rinsed thoroughly and placed inside your recycling bucket.
- Other Paper/Junk Mail – should be placed in a brown paper bag or cardboard box and placed next to your blue bucket.
- Corrugated Cardboard & Chipboard – Corrugated cardboard must be cut into 2 ft. x 2ft. squares and tied with string or twine. Please include chipboard with corrugated cardboard. Place tied bundle (chipboard & cardboard) next to your recycling bucket.

Where do I obtain a recycling bin?

Recycling buckets and recycling schedules can be obtained from the Bernards Township Department of Public Works or from Somerset County. You can also obtain information by visiting www.bernards.org or by calling Public Works at 908-204-3084.

Remember: Don’t place your bin out before 6pm the night before collection. You could be looking at a summons with a monetary fine of up to $500!