



**A. DENNIS MOORE
RECYCLING & TRANSFER
STATION**

P.O. Box 39, Harpswell, ME 04079

Invasive plant disposal guidelines

The following memo contains recommendations and guidelines for those residents concerned with the disposal of invasive plant species in Harpswell. All brush, yard waste, and vegetation you wish to discard, that are not being composted at home, can be taken to the Transfer Station, invasive or not. All items taken to the Transfer Station for disposal are subject to “weigh & pay” like any other material the facility accepts. All residents are encouraged to identify any vegetation they wish to discard. If you find you have an invasive species, please follow the steps provided below to dispose of the waste correctly and to help stop the spread of these varieties in our Town.

1. All material should be reduced in size so it can fit into a trash bag.
2. Use only heavy weight contractor style trash bags for your material.
3. Make sure bags are tied or sealed, so material remains contained within.
4. All material must be weighed in just like any other brush or yard waste.
5. Place closed bags in to the large blue DEMO Cans, per PINETREE WASTE MANAGEMENT guidelines.
6. Weigh out and pay the fees associated with the disposal of your materials as you leave the Transfer Station.

Invasive plant waste is buried along with demo materials. They are eventually contained in a heavy plastic liner, covered with clay, top soil and native plantings. Currently there is no viable residential manner of composting or incinerating invasive plants and their seeds, that eliminates the threat they pose. All residents are asked to be aware of what they are planting and encouraged to use only native species. By identifying and properly disposing of invasive plant varieties, we can all help to prevent their spread and promote the health of native species in our Town.

Thank you.....