

# Maine Resource Recovery Association

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**MRRA Market/Pricing Update August 8, 2014** (last issue June 13, 2014)  
**All prices quoted per short ton.**

**Fiber prices did not change from June to July, Plastics remained strong and continue to do so.**

**OCC (Cardboard): Current published price \$100 Down \$5 from July**, the markets have collapsed for this grade. Export dropped and domestic mills are very choosy with what tons they are taking. The regular buyers don't want it and the ones that do are offering \$15/ton less than they were in July. We don't look for this to improve until September and if then we will be lucky. Boxboard free cardboard is paying \$90/ton picked up but cardboard that has any amount of boxboard can be as low as \$50/ton.

**Baled #8 Newsprint: Current price \$65 August**, No change since June 2013.

**Mixed paper baled: \$15-20/ton for August** export is on the decrease and domestic mills are chocker block full. We don't expect this to improve in the foreseeable future.

**Plastics:** Pricing based on one-stop, 15 ton load. Prices are approximate, each load is bid based on distance from the mill and how many stops the truck is to make.

**HDPE-Natural #2** (Milk jugs): paying **\$1,000+/ton** July pricing

**HDPE-Z #2** (Natural & color mixed) **\$520+/ton** August pricing

**HDPE-Color #2** (detergent) **\$530+/ton** July pricing

**PET #1** (BOTTLES ONLY) about \$100-144/ton less freight to Portland or Mass. Markets are retracting.

**LDPE Clear & stretch film #4** clear \$214/ton less \$25-30/bale freight, color LDPE bags \$34 less freight.

**Rigid Plastics & 3-7**, \$34-54/ton rigid, \$34-54/ton for 3-7, both grades depend on freight allowance.

**Steel cans** Price for June \$185-190/ton, Price has been on the increase. Price is after freight is calculated.

**Light iron** Price delivered to Bangor \$145/short ton as of 8/7/14. Price can change weekly, but it has been holding steady. Call for a quote or roll off.

**Freon** Three price tiers: 50 or more units \$7.50 each, 25-50 units \$8.50 each, 10-24 units cost \$9.50 each.

**Sorted Office Paper (SOP/SOW)** = spot market price at \$155/ton but mills are full.

**Tires price increased to** \$85/ton for up to 20 inch clean tires on or off rim. Skidder and loader tires cost \$255/ton. Down east and above Bangor \$106/ton.

Prices are also available on a per tire basis. Per tire price for car and pickup size is .85 cents each or equiv to \$65-70/ton.

**Propane tank removal:** Call with what you have for a quote. Next pickup Early Fall 2014.

**Single stream material:** Spot price -\$10 delivered Portland July and -\$40/ton delivered to Old Town.  
**Gaylords available for state wide delivery** Price varies \$12-18 each. Call MRRA or email if interested.  
**Average prices paid by MRRA for May \$102.03/ton, June \$107.30/ton** . This price takes into account all loads that a town might produce except tires and light iron.

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