

RECYCLABLE OF THE MONTH:

July 2025

American
Flag



FLAG Drop-Off LOCATIONS for Wellesley Residents

Review the info below & Bring your flag to 1 of these 3 locations:

RDF - 169 Great Plain Ave. Special Waste Area (ORANGE area BIN #9)

Wellesley Town Hall - 525 Washington St. -place in "Retired Flag Box"

Wellesley Tolles Parsons Center - 500 Washington St. "Retired Flag Box"

HOW to properly fold a Flag:

To properly fold the American flag, start by holding it taut, horizontally, with another person. Fold the flag in half lengthwise, bringing the bottom edge up to meet the top edge, ensuring the blue field with stars remains on the outside. Repeat this lengthwise fold once more. Then, begin triangular folds, starting from the striped end, folding towards the blue field. Continue folding in triangles until only the blue field with stars is visible. Thank you.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hFtv7MGLC9Q&t=57s>

WHAT Happens to Collected Flags:

- Once all the flags are collected, they go through an inspection process by the Veteran Service Officer or their designee.
- Flags are either deemed still fit for service OR they are officially decommissioned.
- In Wellesley, a service & proper disposal of the decommissioned flags is held annually on Flag Day (June 14) at the Woodlawn Cemetery.

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