

New state recycling rules are already under way voluntarily in Alamance County

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Recently announced to rules for the state's landfills won't have much impact in Alamance County, officials say.

The new rules, which go into effect on Oct. 1, ban motor oil filters, plastic bottles (other than those used for motor oil or pesticides), and wooden pallets from North Carolina landfills.

Greg Thomas, Alamance County's landfill and solid waste director, said the Austin Quarter landfill convenience center is recycling all of those materials.

The recycling program, which had been voluntary in Alamance County, will be mandatory Oct. 1.

Thomas said he is pleased to see the ban and that it will save valuable landfill space at Austin Quarter.

For more information, call Thomas at 376-8902.