January 8, 2019

Mr. Thomas Petrucci  
Township of Plainfield  
6292 Sullivan Trail  
Nazareth, PA 18064

Dear Mr. Petrucci,

As a follow-up to our letter sent December 27, 2019, there have been several questions that have been brought to our attention as how to properly dispose of a mattress and/or box spring. The below options and information should assist with any questions you may have regarding this process. This new procedure will be effective February 1, 2019. This information is also available on our website, www.jpmascaro.com.

- Have mattress company remove old mattress/box spring (if applicable)
- Save wrapping from new mattress/box spring if bedding company will not remove and use that wrapping for old mattress/box spring to set out for bulk trash
- All bags must be “encasement bag” (covering all sides of the mattress/box spring) sealed and not vented.
- Bags can be purchased from any large box store; Kmart, Walmart, Target, Home Depot, Lowes, Bed Bath & Beyond and U-Haul stores
- They can also be purchased on-line through Amazon and BedBugsSupply.com
- Average cost runs from $5 on up depending on size
- A painter’s plastic drop cloth would also work, just be sure all sides are covered, and the seams are sealed with duct tape or packing tape

Should you have further questions, please do not hesitate to contact J. P. Mascaro & Sons.

Sincerely,

Samuel J. Augustine
Proper Bulk Item Mattress and Box Spring Disposal

Mattresses and box springs must be bagged and sealed in plastic mattress bags when placed curbside.

Residents may continue to set out bulk furniture, such as sofas for collection at curbside, in most cases, up to one item per week. Mattresses and box springs must be bagged and sealed in plastic mattress bags when placed curbside. Items may be set out on your regularly scheduled trash/bulk service day. All mattresses and box springs must now be wrapped in plastic before collection. Recent infestations of bed bugs have spread from mattresses to employees as they make curbside pickups.

These photos are examples of approved mattress disposal bags. You can find mattress disposal bags at most major retailers and home improvement stores, such as Home Depot, Lowe’s, Walmart, Amazon.com, etc.