

Curbside Refuse and Recycling Regulations

REFUSE: The word "refuse" as used herein shall mean and include: all perishable waste, including vegetable and fruit waste; animal manure (securely bagged); household wastes (non-hazardous); and clothing. "Bulk refuse" (requires a fee. A fee schedule is provided by the contractor) shall include: old appliances; water heaters; furniture; mattresses; carpeting (cut in 4' lengths, rolled and tied no thicker than 2' in diameter); and dismantled swing sets (cut in 4' lengths and tied, with concrete bases removed).

The word "refuse" shall not mean and shall not include: lumber; construction, building and remodeling materials; tires; automobile parts; stones; rocks or dirt; steel or iron; motor oil; pesticide containers; paint and paint-related items; automobile parts; tree stumps or other forms of yard waste; or dead animals.

COLLECTION SERVICE: Refuse will be collected every Monday for every single-family dwelling or duplex property, provided that (1) a refuse receptacle(s) is kept thereon; (2) said dwelling is not served by a private refuse collection service, and (3) the Director of Public Service approves of same with the standards of the Public Service Department. Collections shall be made between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

LIMITATIONS ON NUMBER OF CONTAINERS/ITEMS: The limit upon the number of containers or items collected as part of the basic service shall be a maximum of ONE (1) 95 or 35 gallon cart. The Contractor (ARS) will collect additional items only if arrangements have been made them prior to the collections day. Those additional items have a separate fee schedule which can be obtained by calling the contractor.

CART REQUIREMENTS: Cart requirements are ONE (1) 95 or 35 gallon hard plastic regulation trash cart supplied by Whitehouse of substantial water tight construction with tight fitting lids with RFID chip. The cart shall not exceed one hundred (100) pounds when filled. Carts with ragged or sharp edges or any defect potentially dangerous to collection personnel must be repaired or replaced. Refuse contractor will repair as needed. For lost or stolen carts, a Police Report will be required for replacement. Damaged carts due to misuse or abuse will require the resident to pay \$75 for a replacement. Carts are to remain with the property if you are to move.

CART PLACEMENT:

All approved cart(s) and material must be placed at the edge of the pavement, but not under trees, no later than 7:00 a.m. on the day of collection, but not before 6:00 pm on the day before collection. There needs to be 3 feet of clearance on each side of cart(s) for collection. The resident shall return empty cart(s) to the premises the same day of collection. The Contractor is responsible for placing containers back along the pavement and cleaning up spillage caused by its employees.

- Place the cart(s) in the street lawn – the area between the sidewalk and the edge of the street as close to the street as possible, but not under trees.
- Cart(s) must be out of and clear from storage corrals.
- Do not block driveway and garage access of neighbors with cart(s).
- Set cart(s) with the lid opening facing the street and the handle facing away from the street.
- Do not lean any items against cart(s).
- Only Whitehouse issued cart(s) will be emptied.
- Cart(s) must be set out for collection by 7:00 a.m. to ensure collection by Contractor.
- Do not leave cart(s) at the street after collection day.
- Lids must be kept closed to keep rain, snow, and animals out of the cart(s).
- All items must be bagged and fit in the cart(s) with the lid closed.
- **DO NOT** place items on the closed lid of the cart.



Place cart(s) with a minimum of five (5) feet from all obstructions including fire hydrants, street signs, mailboxes, vehicles, trees, utility poles and other obstructions.



Place cart(s) facing the street with a minimum of three (3) feet between cart(s), all large item collection, yard waste and other items.

DO NOT PLACE IN REFUSE CARTS

No construction, remodeling materials or auto parts including, but not limited to:

- Bathroom fixtures such as showers, sinks, toilets, or vanities.
- Bricks, blocks, cabinets, countertops, concrete, or tile.
- Doors and door framing of all types.
- Drywall or lumber of any type.
- Fencing, landscape pavers, or timbers.
- Hot tubs.
- Plumbing pipe or fixtures.
- Roofing material.
- Tires, Seats, Bumpers or any other Auto Parts

No yard waste including, but not limited to:

- Branches, brush, stumps, or twigs.
- Cornstalks, ornamental grass, straw, or weeds.
- Garden debris from flower or vegetable gardens.
- Grass clippings, leaves, or mulch of any type.
- Rocks, stones, sod, soil, or dirt.

No liquids including, but not limited to:

- Cooking oil or grease.
- Paint of any type.
- Liquids must be absorbed in kitty litter or other absorbent material (not sand or soil). After the liquid is totally absorbed, place in a sealed container, then in the refuse cart.

No highly flammable or explosive materials including, but not limited to:

- Ammunition, lead acid batteries, lithium batteries or motor oil.

If unacceptable items are in the cart(s), crews will stop emptying the cart(s). The resident is then responsible for correcting the problem.

CART STORAGE:

After collection, store cart(s) on your property in a manner that is not visually distracting to you or your neighbors. Cart(s) should never be stored in the front yard of any property.

REFRIGERATORS, FREEZERS, AIR CONDITIONERS, & DEHUMIDIFIERS: New Federal regulations place limitations upon the disposal of items containing Freon for the cooling process. Arrangements for this collection must be made by notifying the contractor prior to the Monday pickup.

DISABLED RESIDENTS CARRY-OUTS:

Carry-out refuse service is available for the disabled or infirmed. All occupants of the dwelling must qualify for this service. To receive this service an application for carry-out service must be filled out and turned in along with a doctor's letter to provide proof of eligibility. Only household materials in refuse or recycling carts will qualify for carry-out service. All other items must be placed at the curb. Refuse/Recycling carts must be placed in front of the dwelling in plain sight near your drive or sidewalk by 6:00 a.m. so that Village employees can roll them out on the day of collection. Carts will be returned to the front of the residence after pickup is complete.

UNLIMITED/BULK PICKUPS:

Unlimited pickups will be provided periodically. These pickups will be on Saturdays. Please reference ARS's General Clean Up Guidelines for a list of items accepted. Dates will be established and posted on the Village calendar, website, and the customer message portion of the utility bill.

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NO PLASTIC BAGS: The quickest way to turn your recycling into trash is by placing it in a plastic bag. All your good intentions, hard work and recycling efforts are wasted because items placed in plastic bags are considered as refuse/trash and discarded as such. No one sorts through the plastic bags and empties out the containers. They are simply taken to the landfill. Additionally if an entire load of collected materials has too many plastic bags the entire load is taken to the landfill. What a waste.

Allowable Recyclable Items:

- Aluminum and bi-metal beverage cans
- Plastics (#1 & 2)
- Newsprint, magazines, junk mail and office paper
- Cardboard - corrugated and single layer (such as cereal boxes) flattened, cut to size to fit into cart
- Tin and steel cans

Recycling Pick-Up:

1. Your recyclables will be picked up on the same day as your regular trash pick-up. Collections shall be made between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.
2. Recycling pick-up is collected at the same location as the Refuse.
3. Co-mingle plastic, paper, cardboard, and metals in the cart.
4. All cardboard boxes should be flattened to fit into the cart.

Recycling Hints:

1. Remove lids and discard, rinse all containers.
2. Newsprint should be kept dry. Wet newspapers are not recyclable.
3. Recycling reduces the amount of normal refuse going to the landfills, so recycle as much as possible.
4. Shop for items that come in recyclable containers. The best way to reduce solid waste is to avoid creating it in the first place.

**Restricted Curbside Recycling Items:
(Item not included in curbside recycling)**

- Styrofoam plastic (egg cartons, meat trays, fruit-vegetable packaging)
- Glass
- Waxed paper milk and juice containers
- Plastic bottles from vehicle motor oil
- Unmarked plastics, #3 or #6
- Wire coat hangers
- Diapers
- Clothes
- Shoes
- Wood
- Auto Tires or Auto Parts
- Bio-Hazardous Waste
- Electronic Waste
- Plastic Bags
- Plastic CD Cases
- Scrap Metal
- Hoses