

WASTE MANAGEMENT

COLLECTION GUIDELINES



Waste Management is pleased to provide these guidelines to help make it easier to use our services. Visit our website wmnorthwest.com for more tips on how to Think Green.



Recycling



**HOW TO PREPARE: RINSE CLEAN
EMPTY OF ALL FOOD AND LIQUIDS
FLATTEN CARDBOARD**

**DO NOT BAG RECYCLABLES
PLACE LOOSE IN CART**

Clean paper

Mail, envelopes, newspaper, flattened cardboard, magazines, catalogs, phone books, paper boxes (*cereal, etc.*), gift wrap (*no foil or ribbon*), and egg cartons.



Paper food containers

Clean paper cups, milk cartons, juice boxes, frozen food boxes.



Clean glass

Glass bottles and jars. *Remove caps and lids.*



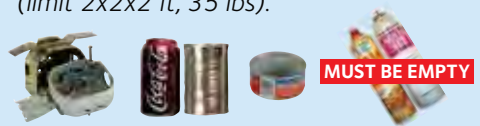
Clean plastic

Plastic cups, plastic bottles, jugs, dairy tubs. *Remove caps and lids.*



Clean metal

Aluminum and tin cans, empty aerosol cans, scrap metal (*limit 2x2x2 ft, 35 lbs.*)



Extra Recycling?

- Put extra recycling in 32-gallon containers with handles and lid, cardboard box or paper bag and label "Recycle".
- If you often have extra recyclables, order a larger recycling cart at no added charge.

★ **There is no charge for extra recycling**



KEEP OUT OF RECYCLING

Hazardous Waste
Medical Waste
Syringes
Batteries

Sharp or Greasy Metal
Liquids
Fuel tanks
Computers or TVs

Foam Cups, Packaging and Peanuts
Yard/Food Waste
Light Bulbs or Fluorescent Tubes

Compost – Food Scraps and Yard Debris

All of these materials can go into your compost cart.



Food scraps and leftovers

Fruit, vegetables, bread, pasta, grains, meat, dairy, eggshells, nutshells, coffee grounds and filters, tea bags.



Food-soiled paper

Paper towels, napkins, food-soiled paper bags, greasy pizza boxes, shredded paper or approved compostable bags.*

*See [wmfoodcycling](#) for details.



Yard trimmings

Leaves, grass, plant trimmings, branches under 4 in. thick x 4 ft. long, undecorated holiday trees (4 ft. lengths) – no flocking.



Collect food scraps. It's easy to do!

1. Use a collection method that works for you.
 - Collander or strainer
 - Paper grocery bag
 - Reusable plastic, metal, or ceramic container with a lid
 - Newspaper
 - Approved compostable bag
2. Empty your container into food/yard cart frequently.
3. Layer food scraps with yard waste, newspaper or shredded paper to absorb liquids.



You can order food/yard service at wmnorthwest.com or 1-800-592-9995.

Extra yard waste: There is a charge for extra yard waste.

Put extra yard waste in:

- Cans with handles (32 gal., 65 lb. limit)
- Put next to Compost cart on your service day
- Label cans "Yard"
- Paper yard/Kraft bags

Visit www.wmfoodcycling.com for more compost tips and information!

KEEP OUT OF YARD and FOOD WASTE

Plastic Bags & Containers
Fats, Oil or Grease

Glass
Metal

Foil
Liquids

Diapers & Pet Waste
Garden Hoses

GARBAGE

Bag all garbage and put in your garbage cart.

What do I do with?

Non-recyclable plastic



Plastic bags

Bag plastic bags together and bring them to your local grocery store for recycling.



Non-recyclable glass



Not Garbage!
Requires proper disposal. Visit lightrecycle.org to find a drop-off site.



Hardcover books

Donate them to a school or charity.



Shredded paper

Layer in your compost cart or use to soak up and harden latex paint.



Non-recyclable paper



Disposable wipes

Foil wrapping paper

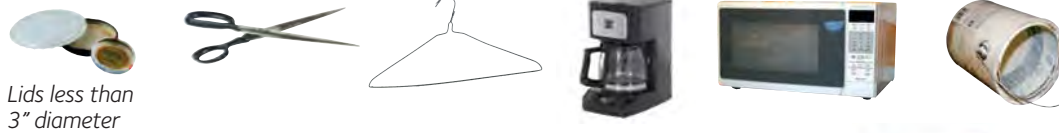
Tissue

Latex paint cans

may be placed in the garbage if paint is solidified. To solidify, mix in cat litter, shredded paper, sawdust, or paint hardener. Once paint is dry, leave the lid off the can, bag it and place in your garbage!



Non-recyclable metal



Lids less than 3" diameter

Other garbage



Pet waste

Vacuum bags

Garbage Guidelines

Please:

- Bag all garbage.
- Double bag pet waste, pet litter, packing peanuts, vacuum dust, sawdust and cold ashes.

Extra Garbage

Garbage charges are based on cart size. There is a charge for extra garbage that doesn't fit in your cart with the lid closed. If your garbage cart lid is open more than 6 inches, there will be a charge for extra garbage.

Bulky items such as mattresses, large appliances and building materials can be picked up by special arrangement for a fee. Contact us for fee information.

