

What do I do with?

Some items such as medical wastes, fluorescent bulbs and tubes, needles, fuel tanks, electronics and chemicals are hazardous and are not allowed in garbage or recycling. They require special handling as indicated below.



Motor Oil

Households may dispose of up to five gallons of motor oil at any of the Skagit County Recycling Sites. Visit [skagitcounty.net](http://www.skagitcounty.net) for more information.

Computers, Monitors, TVs, Batteries and other hard to recycle items

- Visit <http://search.earth911.com> for free recycling drop-off locations.

Large Appliances

(refrigerators, freezers, dishwashers, clothes washers, dryers, stoves, ranges, furnaces, etc.)*

- Sell, donate or give away

**Washers, dryers, stoves, ranges, dishwashers, microwaves and hot water tanks (that are 85% metal or more), may be recycled at Mt. Vernon Solid Waste Facilities. Appliances such as refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners, heat pumps and dehumidifiers contain chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs), which are regulated under the Federal Clean Air Act, and must be disposed of properly. These items can be disposed or recycled at Mt. Vernon Solid Waste facilities. For more information email mvsanitation@ci.mount-vernon.wa.us*

Unwanted Medicines

To properly dispose of expired and unwanted medications visit:

- www.takebackyourmeds.org

Fluorescent Bulbs & Tubes

- Visit Lightrecycle.org to find drop-off locations near you.

Needles/Syringes

Used needles and syringes are dangerous in garbage and recycling because they can injure residents, collectors, and sorters, as well as spread diseases.

- Visit <https://www.skagitcounty.net> for more information. Search "sharps disposal."

Household Hazardous Waste

Please take to a hazardous waste facility. Take items like: oil-base paint, pesticides, propane tanks, items that contain mercury, automobile fluids and more.

- Visit <https://www.skagitcounty.net/Departments/PublicWorksSolidWaste/recyclelocations.htm> for more information and drop-off locations.

Waste Management Sharps and Electronics Mail-Back Service

- Visit <https://www.wmlamptacker.com> for more information.



Waste Management
720 4th Avenue, Suite 400
Kirkland, WA 98033
www.wmnorthwest.com
Información en español
1-800-592-9955 (M-F 7-7, SAT 9-1)
Online Billing: www.wm.com/pay-my-bill

2017-18 Collection
Calendar Enclosed

Everything has its place.
Recycle right!
Read & use these guidelines.

#950MtVernon2017_000 100% post-consumer recycled content



THINK GREEN.™

Mount Vernon COLLECTION GUIDELINES

It's time to rethink recycling! Please use this guide to help materials get to their next best use, which in turn saves tons upon tons of raw materials, time, energy and expense.



Visit us online at wmnorthwest.com/mtvernon

RECYCLING

HOW TO PREPARE:

- Rinse clean
- Empty of all food and liquids

- Flatten cardboard
- Do not bag recyclables
- Place loose in cart

Clean paper and cardboard

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 metal

Aluminum and tin cans, empty aerosol cans, scrap metal, and clean foil (limit 2x2x2 ft; 35 lbs)



Clean glass bottles and jars

All colors and sizes. (no caps or lids; labels ok)



Clean plastic containers

Plastic bottles, cups, jars, jugs, and tubs.



Recycling Tips:

- THERE IS NO CHARGE FOR EXTRA RECYCLING!
- Put extra recycling in 32-gallon containers with handles and lids. Label "Recycle".*
- Got a recycling question? Email us at: recyclenw@wm.com.
- **Do not put hazardous or medical wastes, fluorescent bulbs or tubes, needles, liquids, fuel tanks, computers or TVs in garbage or recycling.**



KEEP OUT OF RECYCLING

No Foam Cups & Packaging
Yard/Food Waste
Shredded Paper
Light Bulbs or Fluorescent tubes

Hazardous Waste
Medical Waste
Syringes
Batteries
Sharp Metal
Diapers

Plastic bags (recycle at grocery stores)
Fuel Tanks
Computers or TVs
Broken dishes, ceramics or window glass
Liquids

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YARD & FOOD WASTE

All of these materials can go in your green yard & food waste cart

Food scraps and leftovers

Meat, fish, dairy, fruit, vegetables, shells, bones, pasta, rice, eggshells, nutshells, bread, grains and leftovers.



Food-soiled paper

Coffee grounds and filters, tea bags, waxed cardboard, soiled paper bags, kitchen paper towels, paper napkins, non-coated paper plates, approved compostable containers and loose shredded paper.



Plants, flowers and yard trimmings

Plants and flowers, landscape vegetation, vegetative garden waste, windfall fruit, jack-o-lanterns and brush.



Yard waste collection is available by subscription in designated areas. For more information or to sign up, please call 1-800-592-9995.

Yard and Food Scrap Collection Tips:

1. Use a collection method that works for you.
 - Colander or strainer
 - Paper grocery bag
 - Reusable plastic, metal, or ceramic container with a lid
 - Newspaper
2. Empty your container into food/yard cart frequently.

Extra yard waste:

- Put extra yard waste only in:
- Cans with handles
 - **(32 gal., 65 lb. limit)**
 - Label cans "Yard"



KEEP OUT OF YARD & FOOD CART

Plastic bags & containers
Fats, Oil or Grease

Liquids
Glass
Metal

Diapers & Pet Waste
Garden Hoses

GARBAGE

Garbage is serviced by the City of Mount Vernon

These items are neither recyclable or compostable. Please put them in the gray garbage cart.

Non-recyclable plastic

Foam take-out containers, foam cups or packing peanuts, plastic utensils, prescription vials, diapers, motor oil containers, garden hoses, snack bag wrappers, bows, etc.



Non-recyclable glass

Window panes, mirrors, ceramics, dishware, light bulbs, broken glass, etc.



Non-recyclable paper

Paper towels, napkins, wrapping paper, etc.



Donate books to a local charity or school.

Non-recyclable metal

Paint cans, lids, caps, sharp metal objects, plastic appliances, etc.



Latex paint is not accepted at hazardous waste facilities. Use kitty litter or paint hardener to solidify latex paint. Once dry and hardened, please dispose of latex paint in your garbage container.

Alkaline batteries are accepted at local hazardous waste facilities. Better yet, use rechargeable batteries instead.

Garbage Collection Tips:

- **Please bag all garbage.**
- **Double bag pet waste, packing pellets, vacuum dust, sawdust, and cold ashes.**
- **Weight limit: 32-gal/65 lbs for your collector's safety.**

Extra Garbage and More:

- **Garbage** charges are based on container size. There is a charge for extra garbage that doesn't fit in your container with the lid closed.
 - **Bulky items** like mattresses, appliances, and building materials can be picked up by special arrangement for a fee.
- Call the City of Mount Vernon customer service at **360-336-6218** or visit www.ci.mount-vernnon.wa.us.

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KEEP OUT OF GARBAGE

Hazardous Waste
Medical Waste
Syringes

Fluorescent Bulbs or Tubes
Liquids

Fuel Tanks
Computers or Televisions

RESOURCES



Waste Management

Visit wmnorthwest.com or call 1-800-592-9995 (M-F 7AM-7PM) for:

Recycling/Yard and Food Waste

- Missed collection or missing/damaged carts
- Collection rates or service subscription

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Mt. Vernon Solid Waste Dept.

www.mountvernonwa.gov

360-336-6218

mvsanitation@ci.mount-vernon.wa.us

For the following services please contact the City of Mount Vernon at ci.mount-vernon.wa.us or call 360-336-6218 for:

Garbage

- Missed collection or missing/damaged carts
- Bulky item collection (mattresses, appliances, etc.)
- Construction/demolition containers (remodeling, etc.)

WEATHER DELAY?



If weather conditions prevent safe collection, up to twice as much material will be collected at no extra charge on your next regular collection day for each container not emptied. No credit for collection delayed due to weather.

WHY Recycle?



Plastic bottles
can turn into clothing



Aluminum cans
can turn into new ones in 60 days



Today's news
can become a new cereal box

How to Recycle:



Recycle all bottles,
cans and paper



Keep items clean and dry



No plastic bags

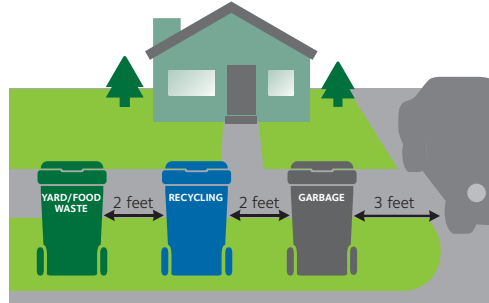


PLEASE POST

MT. VERNON COLLECTION SCHEDULE 2017-18

Please place containers at the curb by 6:00 a.m.

- Place containers two (2) feet apart with lids opening towards street.
- Place containers at least three (3) feet from cars, trees, and mailboxes.
- Please take containers in as soon as possible after collection.



Recycling collected on shaded weeks.

Yard and Food Waste collected from subscribers **weekly EXCEPT December, January, and February**, where it reverts to **every other week on shaded weeks**.

Holiday Schedule: Collection delayed one business day if regular collection day falls on New Year, MLK Day, Presidents Day, Memorial Day, July 4, Labor Day, Veterans Day, Christmas.

Thanksgiving: Thursday collection will be serviced one day early. Friday collection will be serviced on the following Monday. Visit <http://www.mountvernonwa.gov> and search "garbage and recycle route changes" for the most up-to-date information.

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