



Garbage Collection INFORMATION



Residential Garbage Collection Basics

The City of Fort Wayne contracts with Republic Services to collect residential garbage. Garbage is collected once per week in your neighborhood. To determine your collection day call 311 or visit our website at www.cityoffortwayne.org.



The City will provide one 96-gallon cart to each household for garbage collection. Additional carts are available and rent for \$2.00/month.

Extra garbage, not in city carts, must be in 33 gallon trash containers, plastic bags, or bundles (not to exceed 60 pounds). Do not place garbage in cardboard boxes.



Carts are the property of the City and must be left at the service address in the event the resident moves.

The City charges residents \$9.95/month for garbage, recycling and leaf removal; multi-family units pay \$19.90/month.



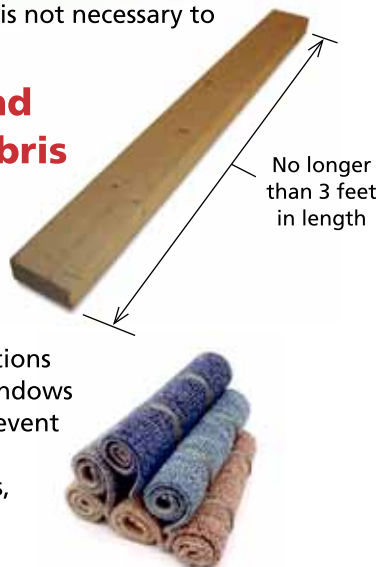
Do not set out curbside garbage sooner than noon the day prior to collection. Containers must be removed from the curb no later than noon the day after collection. Containers must be stored inside or on the side of the house 10 feet from the front of the house. Carts also need to be within 5 feet of the alley.

Bulky Items

Furniture and non-freon appliances are to be placed with the regular garbage for collection. These very large items will be collected the following day with a different truck. (It is not necessary to call 311 for bulk items.)

Construction and Remodeling Debris

A limit of 60 pounds per week of construction debris can be set out with garbage collection. This material must be containerized or in 3' sections and/or bundled. Glass windows must be taped to help prevent breakage. Carpet must be cut into 3 feet sections, rolled-up and tied.



Yard Waste

Except for leaves, yard waste can be placed with the garbage. Grass clippings can be bagged in plastic or biodegradable bags or placed loose in the 96-gallon cart. Branches must be no longer than 3 feet in length and no larger than 3 inches in diameter. Branches need to be bundled and tied securely with twine or string and/or containerized and set out with the garbage.



✗ NO LEAVES CAN BE DISPOSED OF WITH THE GARBAGE.

Instead, rake leaves to the curb or place them in brown biodegradable yard waste bags and set them at the curb for collection by the City Street Department. Leaf collection automatically occurs 2 times in your area during the months of October through December. Call 311 to learn your day of pick up. Please note that residents wanting their leaves to be collected sooner or later than their area's scheduled dates, can do so by bagging their leaves in biodegradable yard waste bags and setting out to the curb. Residents can then dial 311 to have bags collected within two days.



3.1.1 One Call to City Hall

REDUCE YOUR GARBAGE



Start recycling if you don't already. The City offers a curbside collection program and the cost is already included in your garbage user fee. It's easy...you can mix paper, cardboard, glass, cans and plastics together all in one cart. Dial 311 to have a recycling cart delivered to your home at **no extra cost**.



Grasscycle - Leave your grass clippings on the lawn after mowing. This saves time and effort on your part and reduces the amount of garbage going to the landfill. The amount of garbage collected during the spring and summer months increases by 40% due to yard waste debris.



Begin backyard composting. Grass clippings, leaves, twigs, vegetable and fruit waste all decompose into a nutrient-rich soil amendment called compost. It can be tilled into gardens, flower beds and added to house plants.

Do Not Include With Your Garbage

- No tires
- No automotive parts
- No railroad ties
- No boats
- No patio or entry doors
- No riding lawn mowers
- No medical waste
- No basketball hoop poles
- No leaves
- No Freon appliances
- No refuse in cardboard boxes
- No electronics
- No hot tubs or tanning beds
- No bathtubs
- No batteries
- No pianos
- No cement or flooring
- No hazardous waste (motor oil, wet paint, oil-based paint)



For information on how to dispose of items that cannot go in your cart visit www.acwastewatcher.org or call 449-7878.



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