

City of Mount Rainier Trash and Recycling Rules

DO's and DON'Ts



Presented by: City of Mount Rainier



Regular Household Trash

Pick Up Day: Every Wednesday. If Wednesday is a holiday pick-up will be done the next day. All trash *Must* be in a water tight and rodent proof container with lid. The container can be up to 33 gallons. Residents may have up to five (5) cans. Household trash must not be mixed with bulk or yard

waste. Trash cans must be set out any time after 7:00 PM the day before trash collection and no later than 7:00 AM on trash collection days.

Regular household trash means usual residential household items from places such as the kitchen, bathroom etc.



Bulk Trash Bulky items such as chairs, sofas, box springs,



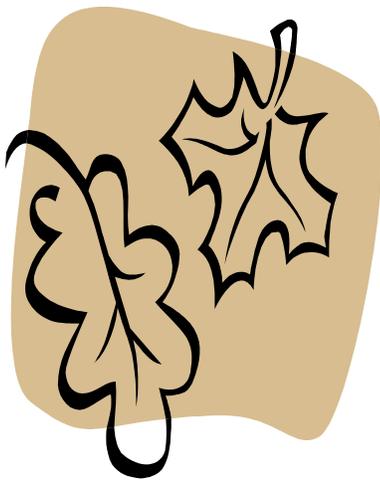
mattresses, tables, appliances, water heaters, wood scraps, old doors, insulation, sheet rock, flooring, etc., are collected for bulk trash. This service is by appointment only and is collected the 1st and 3rd Monday of every month (if the Monday is a holiday, bulk is collected the next day). Bulk may be set out 48 hours before

scheduled pick-up. Appointments can be made any time during the two week period and there is a cut-off time at 12 noon on the Friday before the scheduled pick-up day. There is a fee of \$25.00 for refrigerators, freezers and A/C units. A fee of \$5.00 is charged for tires without rims and \$6.00 for tires with rims. These fees must be paid prior to pickup. The limit is 3 cubic yards of items to be collected, six (6) times in a 12 month period.

Persons going over this limit can call Public Works at (301) 985 6558 to schedule an estimate for special pick up. Upon viewing the items, a price will be given which must be paid at City Hall prior to pick-up. The minimum price is \$50.00.

Construction debris (e.g. soil, concrete, bricks, shingles and wall board) are not accepted by the city or at the County Landfill but may be taken to DC Material located at 3334 Kenilworth Avenue, Hyattsville, MD.





Yard Waste

Biodegradable yard waste such as lawn clippings and leaves, will be picked up every Monday from March through November without appointment and on the 2nd Monday in December, January and February by prior appointments only. Appointments must be made before 12:00 noon on the Friday before the scheduled pick up. Please call (301) 985- 6558 selection 2. Residents are allowed 3 cubic yards per pick-up. Anyone going over the limit will be asked to pay for the overage (the minimum fee is \$50.00). **Bamboo and logs** are not yard waste, these are collected for bulk trash. Yard waste such as brush and branches must be tied in bundles not more than 4 feet in length and/or 50 pounds. Wire must not be used to tie bundles of yard waste. **Leaves and lawn clippings must be placed in paper bags or in trash cans.** Residents are not to place loose leaves or other vegetation on the ground as this is a violation with a fine of \$25.00 for each separate offense.

Loose leaves are only collected curb side in November and December. A schedule will be published in the city's newsletter.

Special Bulk Trash

Residents can make arrangements with Public Works Department for a Special Bulk Pick Up when the amount exceeds 3 cubic yards or for pickup other than on the 1st or 3rd Monday. The cost is determined by the amount and items to be disposed. An estimate will be made after items are viewed by the department and a price given which must be paid prior to pick up. The minimum fee is \$50.00

Hazardous Waste (not acceptable)

Hazardous waste includes paint, paint thinner, batteries, insecticides, motor oil, gasoline, butane tanks, and kerosene. These items can be taken to the County Landfill located at 11611 Whitehouse Road, Upper Marlboro, MD.





Residential Recycle Program
Recyclables are not accepted in
ANY PLASTIC OR PAPER BAGS

Mixed Paper/Corrugated Cardboard

- ✦ All paper
- ✦ Aseptic/gable-top milk and juice cartons
- ✦ Catalogs
- ✦ Corrugated cardboard (boxes)
- ✦ Frozen food packaging
- ✦ Hard- and soft- covered books
- ✦ Kraft paper bags and wrapping paper
- ✦ Magazines
- ✦ Newspapers with inserts
- ✦ Paper board (cereal and cracker boxes)
Telephone books
- ✦ Aluminum cans, glass containers, glass jars, empty preserved food tin cans (all rinsed out)

Plastics

- ✦ Bagged grocery bags, shrink wrap, and stretch-film (Insert all bags within one bag; no loose single bags)
- ✦ Drinking cups/glasses
- ✦ Flower pots (without dirt)
- ✦ Narrow-neck containers with code identification numbers 1 through 7
- ✦ Wide-mouth containers such as peanut butter, yogurt, cottage cheese, sour cream, mayonnaise and whipped topping; margarine/butter tubs; and prescription bottles
- ✦ Coat hangers

Remember to rinse all food and beverage containers and to recap or place the lids in the recycling cart/bin.

Unacceptable Items

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| ✦ Auto parts | ✦ Medical waste |
| ✦ Broken glass | ✦ Mirrors |
| ✦ Dishes; | ✦ Motor oil containers |
| ✦ Electronics | ✦ Packing foam and peanuts |
| ✦ Hazardous materials | ✦ Plastic utensils |
| ✦ Light bulbs | ✦ Windowpanes |