



Public Works Department
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RUBBISH COLLECTION INFORMATION

The Public Works Department's regular working hours are Monday through Friday between 7:30 AM and 3:30 PM

Beachwood City Ordinance #660.21 states that no person shall:

- Place rubbish for collection prior to 6:00 PM of the evening preceding the day scheduled by the Public Works Director for rubbish collection or after 7:30 AM the day of your rubbish collection.
- Allow empty containers or other uncollectible rubbish items to remain at the place of collection after 9:00 AM of the day following the day scheduled by the Public Works Director.

Whoever violates any of the provisions of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the fourth degree. Punishment shall be as provided in Section 698.02.

When the Public Works Department is closed on holidays, except Thanksgiving, rubbish will be delayed one day after the respective holiday that week only. For example, if a holiday falls on a Monday, Monday's collection will be Tuesday, Tuesday's collection Wednesday, and so on. Thanksgiving Day's collection will be picked up on the Wednesday before Thanksgiving.

The Public Works Department recognizes the following holidays:

**New Year's Day
Presidents' Day
Juneteenth
Labor Day
Day After Thanksgiving**

**Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
Memorial Day
Independence Day
Thanksgiving Day
Christmas Day**

WHAT CONTAINERS CAN BE USED?

The City encourages the use of the City provided industrial 96-gallon cart.

HOW DO I USE MY CART?

- Lift lid to place bagged rubbish inside cart.
- Keep lid shut to prevent animals and precipitation from getting in and rubbish odors from getting out.

WHAT IS THE MAXIMUM WEIGHT OF RUBBISH?

- Cart can hold 200 pounds.
- Do not overload your cart.

WHERE SHOULD I STORE MY CART AT HOME?

- Rubbish carts should be stored behind your setback line (set back from the front of your house).

HOW SHOULD MY CART BE PLACED AT THE CURB?

- Carts should be placed on your tree lawn within three (3) feet of curb or street.
- Handles should face away from the street with the arrow on the lid pointing to the street.
- Keep your cart at least three (3) feet away from any stationary objects such as mailboxes, fire hydrants, utility poles or other carts set out for collection.

WILL I HAVE TO PAY FOR MY CART?

- No. One 96-gallon cart will be delivered free of charge to each household where the City provides rubbish removal.
- Your cart is numbered and registered to your address.
- The cart provided by the City belongs to the address where it is registered.
- It is the homeowner's responsibility to replace lost or stolen carts.

WHAT IF I NEED MORE THAN ONE CART?

- You may purchase additional carts by calling the Public Works Department at (216) 292-1922.

WHAT IF I HAVE RUBBISH THAT WILL NOT FIT IN THE CART OR NEED A SPECIAL PICK UP

- Any extra rubbish may be placed next to the cart for pick up.
- For large items, please contact the Public Works Department to request a special collection.

WHAT IF I DO NOT WANT TO USE THE CART?

- You may use plastic bags or your own containers and return the cart.

WHAT IF I AM NOT PHYSICALLY ABLE TO MOVE MY RUBBISH AND RECYCLING TO THE CURB?

- The City is assisting residents moving carts to and from the curb.

HOW DO I SIGN UP FOR THE ABOVE REFERENCED ASSISTANCE PROGRAM?

- Residents must be at least 80-years old or disabled. In addition, there can **NOT** be an able-bodied person living in the home.
- If qualifications are met, residents should call the Public Works Department, 216 292-1922, to request a Right of Entry form.
- Residents will be enrolled in the Senior Rubbish Assistance program as soon as the Right of Entry form is signed.
- Residents must use City issued containers.
- Yard waste or large items are not included in the program.
- On rubbish day, wheel your cart(s) outside of your garage by 7:30 AM. Your cart(s) will be moved to the curb for your collection and returned to the garage afterwards.

IN ADDITION TO MY WEEKLY HOUSEHOLD RUBBISH, WHAT OTHER TYPE OF RUBBISH IS COLLECTED?

- Logs – maximum length 3', **maximum weight 35 lbs.**
- Brush – no longer than 6' long
- Tree trimmings and Christmas trees
- Grass clippings bagged, **maximum weight 35 lbs.**
- Yard maintenance and spring yard clean up, bagged
- Leaves, bagged. (A leaf machine is used for leaves during the fall months and in April. Place leaves on your tree lawn, not in the street. Leaf piles must be free from any other debris such as sticks, grass, dirt, rocks etc.)
- Appliances and other large items (See below)

These large items are collected on your regular rubbish day with your regular rubbish:

- Swings, jungle gyms, and playground equipment (disassembled)
- Refrigerators and freezers (doors removed)
- Washers, dryers, stoves, hot water tanks
- Garage doors, furniture
- Windows, large mirrors, glass tabletops, or any other item with a large amount of glass. If the glass is broken, **it MUST be properly contained** in a box or rubbish container. This is for safety purposes.
- Mattresses and box springs **MUST be encased in plastic and sealed.**

WHAT IF I HAVE SHARPS (NEEDLES AND/OR LANCETS)?

- Hypodermic needles and lancets – **MUST BE DISPOSED** with your regular rubbish (**not with recyclables**) **SAFELY AND SECURELY**. Place these items pointing downward into a *sealed* 2-liter pop bottle, laundry detergent bottle or a sharps container.

WHAT ABOUT USED MOTOR OIL, BATTERIES, COMPUTERS, HOLIDAY LIGHTS, CAMPAIGN SIGNS AND TIRES?

- These items may be brought to the Public Works Department, 23355 Mercantile Rd, between 7:30 AM and 3:30 PM, Monday through Friday, year-round. Please do not place them on the curb for removal.

WHAT ABOUT PAINT OR OTHER HAZARDOUS MATERIALS?

- Placing oil-based paints, pesticides, fungicides, fertilizers, caustic household cleaners (oven cleaner, drain cleaner, muriatic acid, etc.), gasoline, car batteries, mercury, or any other hazardous material for curbside removal is **strictly prohibited**. Hazardous household waste requires a special disposal site and *cannot* be placed in with regular garbage. Household Hazardous Materials may be dropped off at The Public Works Department year-round between 7:30 AM and 3:30 PM, Monday through Friday. Please contact the Public Works Department at (216) 292-1922 for questions on hazardous material.

WHAT TYPES OF RUBBISH ARE NOT COLLECTED?

- Building materials, contractor's waste materials or concrete
- Private contractors are responsible for the disposal of all excess and waste debris
- Medical waste with the exception of hypodermic needles and lancets

IS DUMPING ALLOWED AT CITY HALL?

- Residents may bring rubbish and recyclables to the dumpsters at the Community Center located at 25225 Fairmount Blvd.
- No contractors are permitted to dump at City Hall.

RECYCLING

While recycling is elective in our City, the program is easy to follow and your participation is encouraged. Beachwood participates in curbside recycling of cans, glass, plastic, paper products and cardboard. Recyclables are to be placed loose (NOT IN BAGS) in the green recycling cart provided by the City.

RECYCLABLES, OTHER THAN CARDBOARD, WILL ONLY BE PICKED UP IN THE CITY-PROVIDED CART.

CARDBOARD WILL BE COLLECTED NEXT TO THE CART IF IT IS NOT CONTAMINATED WITH PLASTIC, STYROFOAM OR OTHER MATERIALS.

The cart should be placed on your tree lawn on rubbish day, three feet away from the rubbish cart and away from obstructions. Recyclable items are picked up by a separate recycling truck and taken to our recycling facility.

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS CAN BE RECYCLED:

- GLASS- All glass bottles and jars
 - PLASTIC- Plastic bottles and jugs with caps on
 - ALUMINUM CANS
 - STEEL CANS
 - NEWSPAPERS
 - JUNK MAIL
 - MAGAZINES
 - CARDBOARD- Must be clean, flat and dry. Cardboard will be collected outside of the cart if not contaminated with plastic, Styrofoam or other materials
 - OFFICE PAPER
- (All items should be co-mingled loose, in the green recycling cart)

*** SPECIAL NOTE TO RESIDENTS IN CONDOMINIUMS AND APARTMENTS:**

You can participate in Beachwood's recycling program. Recyclable items should be placed loose in the dumpster by the Community Center. **DO NOT BAG**

Please take the time to do your part! Your participation will benefit both our community and our environment.

For additional rubbish and recycling information, visit: <http://cuyahogarecycles.org/>