Welcome
A Residential Guide for Garbage, Recycling & Compost Collection

The City of Portland is committed to providing meaningful access. For accommodations, modifications, translation, interpretation or other services, contact
503-823-7700, the TTY at 503-823-6868 or the Oregon Relay Service at 711.

Other Service Options
Contact your garbage and recycling company to make changes to your service level.
• Set out an extra bag or can of garbage on your collection day for a $5 fee. Set out an extra 32-gallon can, a craft paper bag or a bundle of yard debris for a $3.75 fee. Extra garbage or yard debris cans must be 32 gallons or smaller and weigh 55 pounds or less.
• Decrease garbage service to every four weeks or sign up for regular weekly recycling and compost pickup with on-call garbage collection.
• Decrease your recycling or compost cart size to 35 gallons.

Renters: Talk to the landlord about service changes or if you need to set out bulky items or extra garbage.

Collection Reminders
• Set out containers by 6 a.m. and remove them within 24 hours of pick-up.
• Items that are too big for your garbage container can be picked up for an extra charge. Call your garbage and recycling company for a cost estimate.

Who to Contact

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Choose the Container That Fits Your Needs

Optimal Cart Placement

Right Size

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Garbage and Recycling Company
Visit www.garbagedayreminders.com to look up which company provides service to your property.

City of Portland
Online: www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/carts
Hotline: 503-823-7202
Email: wasteinfo@portlandoregon.gov

Metro
Online: www.oregonmetro.gov/recycling
Hotline: 503-234-3000
Email: askmetro@oregonmetro.gov

Sorting Guide Inside!

Printed on 100% post-consumer recycled paper.
**BE CART SMART**
**EACH CART PLAYS A PART**

Follow these guidelines to recycle with confidence at home. Apartments and businesses have different guidelines.

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**GARBAGE**
Every-other-week or every-four-weeks

Coffee cups/lids/straws, paper/plastic plates, takeout food wrappers/containers, drink cups/straws, cutlery, frozen food packaging/trays, plastic “clamshells,” plastic caps/lids, plastic bags, facial tissue, painted/stained wood, plywood, incandescent light bulbs, garden hoses.

**COMPOST**
every week

Blue, poultry, seafood, bones, cheese, eggshells, bread, pasta, grains, beans, nuts, fruits, vegetables, coffee grounds, spoiled food.

**RECYCLE**
every week

Bottles with a neck (6 oz. or larger), tubs (6 oz. or larger), plant pots (4” or larger), buckets (5 gal. or smaller).

**GLASS BOTTLES & JARS**
Place in yellow bin or other plastic container with a “glass only” sticker.

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1. **Choose a container for your kitchen.** You can line it with newspapers, a paper bag or an approved 2-3 gallon compostable bag.

2. **Collect food scraps while preparing meals, scraping plates and cleaning the fridge of leftovers. Every little bit counts!**

3. **Empty food scraps into your green compost roll cart frequently for weekly pick-up.**

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**Compost tips**

**GARBAGE**

**FOOD SCRAPs**
Meat, poultry, seafood, bones, cheese, eggshells, bread, pasta, grains, beans, nuts, fruits, vegetables, coffee grounds, spoiled food.

**YARD DEBRIS**
Shrubs, leaves, vines, grass, small branches, flowers, house plants, plant clippings.

**OTHER**
Paper napkins, paper towels, coffee filters, tea bags, pizza delivery boxes.

**MUST BE BAGGED**
Pet waste, cut litter, diapers, feminine hygiene products, ashes, sawdust, packaging peanuts, broken glass.

**PLACE IN SEALED CONTAINER**
Kitchen fats, cooking oil, grease.

**NO:**
Computers, monitors, TVs, hazardous waste, compact fluorescent light bulbs (CFLs), batteries.

**NO:**
“Compostable” or “Biodegradable” containers, household garbage, pet waste, diapers, plastic bags, lumber, dirt, ashes, rocks, branches larger than 4” thick and 36” long.

**NO:**
Plastic bags, plastic caps/lids, diapers, propane cylinders, coffee cups/lids/straws, plastic “clamshells,” styrofoam, plastic containers under 6 oz., prescription medicine bottles.

**NO:**
Light bulbs, drinking glasses, vases, broken glass, ceramics.

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