

# City of Carmel

## Automated Waste Collection



Making disposal effortless



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Republic Services® is proud to be the City of Carmel's residential recycling and waste services partner. In order to insure proper pickup, we do ask a few things from you...

All recyclables and waste must be placed at the curb by 7:00 a.m. on your collection day.

All recyclables and waste must be placed in the containers provided by Republic Services.

Seasonal Landscape Waste: During the months of April, May and from October 15th through December 15th, each home is allowed 20 extra bags or bundles per week of landscape waste. Place these bags, if space allows, in the container and all extra bags next to the container.

If you have additional household waste, you must purchase an overage tag from the City and place it next to the container. Only overage bags with tags from the City will be picked up.

Should you find that you are consistently having more waste than what fits in the containers, please contact us. We can arrange to deliver a third container for only \$5.00 per month.

Please call Customer Service at 317.917.7300 to report a missed collection or to place an order for a container.

What you may put out: We can pick up standard household waste, including food waste, cloth, shrubby cuttings and broken down boxes as long as it is contained within your specially designed container.

- If you have items that do not fit in your container, please call us at least 48 hours prior to your pickup day so that we can make proper arrangements to get these items picked up for you.
- Please make sure the container has at least 4 feet of clearance from mailboxes, parked cars, etc., and that the handle is facing your house.
- Please make sure your container lid is closed - this will keep any waste from spilling out into the roadway while dumping.
- If you recycle, please leave 4 feet of clearance between the waste container and recycling container.

## How to put it out:

Make sure your waste is placed at the curb by 7:00 a.m. on your collection day.

Republic Services will empty the container using trucks that are equipped with an articulating arm. This arm will grasp and quickly empty the container into the truck and then return the container to its original position. All of this is done without the operator ever having to leave the cab. This operation is performed quicker and safer than traditional manual collection methods.

## Sorry, we can't take everything

For safety and health reasons, we cannot pick up the following items:

- Demolition, construction or discarded building materials, like drywall, roofing, brick and wood
- Trees, large tree limbs or tree stumps longer than 4 feet in length (only limbs cut shorter than 4 feet and tied and bundled will be taken)
- Brush and vegetation from building contractors, commercial tree trimmers or lawn services
- Sod, fill dirt and trash from contractor clearing, and other materials that require special handling
- Explosives, pathological and biological waste, radioactive material, ashes and sand
- Automotive parts like engines, rear ends, springs, fenders and seats
- Farm equipment, marine vessels, or any other major parts
- Septic, human and animal waste (minimal amounts, like diapers and kitty litter, are OK)



## Heavy waste pickup:

Heavy/bulky item pickup is available **(an extra \$10.00 fee per item) to be paid by the resident.** Please contact us at least 48 hours prior to your normal pickup day if you have a heavy or bulky item (i.e. household furniture, appliances, bicycles, etc.) for pickup.

Prior arrangements are required. Refrigerators, air conditioners and other items containing Freon require special handling; we are unable to take them. Please call us for suggestions on how to dispose of these items.

## Holiday Schedule

There is no waste collection in your area on the following holidays:

- Memorial Day
- Labor Day
- July 4th
- Thanksgiving Day
- Christmas Day
- New Years Day

All collection will be delayed one day for the remainder of the week, following the holiday. Collection may also be delayed due to severe weather.

Christmas tree pick: each household is allowed one Christmas tree pickup for the season. Christmas trees must be cut in half.

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Welcome to the future! A new and exciting way of collecting your recycling is here. With the delivery of your containers, an automated truck will begin collecting your recyclables.

Utilizing an automated truck for collection can be much more efficient than standard rear or front load collection. Increasing efficiency helps us keep your cost down. Automation will also make recycling easy, neat and hassle free for you.

While you review the basic procedures below, please keep in mind the single most important factor; **in order to increase productivity, it is absolutely necessary to keep the driver in the truck as much as possible.**

Automated trucks utilize a mechanical arm, which will wrap around the container that we have provided you, and empty the contents into the top of the truck. Our containers are designed to work with this collection system. Please do not purchase containers. You must use the cart provided.

Should you find that you are consistently having more waste than what fits in the containers, please contact us. We can arrange to deliver a third container for only \$5.00 per month.

#### Basic Procedures:

- On your recycling day, please have your containers out by 7:00 a.m. and place your container within 4 feet of the roadway.
- Please leave at least 3 feet of clearance between your container and any other object, i.e. mailboxes, trees, vehicles, guide wires, etc. Keep the recycling container separate from any other containers that you might have.
- Please do not overload your recycling container. Loose recyclables on top of a container will always end up on the ground as it falls down the side of the truck while the container is being emptied.
- Place the container at the curb with the arrows on the lid pointing to the street. Should your container not have arrows, the wheels should be away from the street. This will prohibit damage to your lid.
- Republic Services will be delivering one recycling container. Recyclable materials must be placed loose inside the container (do not bag recyclables). If one container is not enough, please call 317.917.7300 for an additional one.
- Republic Services makes recycling easy. No sorting; just place it loose in the container!

## Acceptable Recycling Items

- All paper grades. ***If You Can Rip it, Recycle it!***
- Clean aluminum foil
- Empty aluminum, metal, tin and steel cans
- Tin and steel cans (please rinse; put lids in cans)
- Glass bottles and food jars (please rinse; labels are okay)
- All plastic bottles marked #1-#7 (\*less Styrofoam®). **Empty. Clean. Dry.™**
- Newspapers and inserts
- Magazines, phone books and soft cover books
- Cardboard/cereal box type packaging, brown paper bags

**PLEASE DO NOT BAG. JUST TOSS IT ALL IN TOGETHER!**



## Non-acceptable Recycling Items

- Plastic grocery bags
- Shredded paper
- Food-soiled items (e.g. greasy pizza boxes)
- Plastic flower pots
- Clear dome covers from take out food trays
- Microwaveable food trays
- Wax paper/wax cardboard/wax drink cartons
- Paper towels/napkins
- Electronics
- Mirrors
- Magnetic strips
- \*Polystyrene foam (\*Styrofoam®)
- Ceramics
- Light bulbs/window glass

\*Styrofoam® is a registered trademark of the Dow Chemical Co., Inc.

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- Light bulbs/window glass
- Magnetic strips
- Mirrors
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- Plastic flower pots
- Clear dome covers from take-out food trays
- Microwaveable food trays
- Wax paper, wax cardboard, wax drink cartons
- Paper towels, napkins
- Electronics
- Shredded paper
- Anything smaller than a credit card