

Trash, recycling and yard waste information

Why recycling matters.

The amount of waste created by central Ohio residents and businesses is staggering. In fact, every resident generates an average of four to five pounds of waste each day. With only so much landfill space available, it is more important than ever to reuse, recycle, compost or divert.











Recycling

Jackson Township wants to make proper recycling as easy as possible so it provides residents with recycling containers to place acceptable items in for recycling. Position recycling containers at the curb on your assigned recycling day under the same guidelines as trash. If your recycling container becomes damaged or if you need an additional container, contact Local Waste Services at (614) 409-9375 or submit a service request at localwasteservices.com.

You may also rent an additional rolling recycling cart. This charge is independent from your trash bill and is set up directly with our local waste hauler.

Don't just recycle. Recycle Right.

It is not only important to recycle, but it is important to "Recycle Right". By only recycling materials that are accepted at the recycling facility, recycling will make more of an impact. SWACO's "Recycle Right" campaign makes proper recycling easy by giving residents a comprehensive list of what should and what should not go in recycling containers. For more information about "Recycle Right," go to swaco.org/RecycleRight.

Recycle			Recycle Right MAKE A DIFFERENCE		Not Accepted	
						
Paper & Cardboard <i>Please flatten</i>	Plastic Bottles & Jugs <i>Lids and labels accepted</i>	Glass Bottles & Jars <i>All colors accepted</i>	No Plastic or Foam Food Containers	No Tangles <i>Hoses, wires, chains, clothing, or electronics</i>		
						
Metal Cans <i>Remove aerosol tips</i>	Cartons <i>Rinse and remove lids</i>	Keep them loose <i>Don't bag items</i>	No Plastic Bags <i>Return to retailer</i>	No Cups <i>Coffee, Yogurt, or Party</i>		

Questions about proper recycling?

Have a question about what is accepted or not accepted for recycling? Visit SWACO's frequently asked questions page at swaco.org/faq.aspx?TID=16.

Have unwanted or hard-to-recycle items?

Visit SWACO's "Reuse and Recycling Search Tool" to find the best solution for your unwanted item at swaco.org/251/Recycling-Reuse-Search-Tool.

Collection guidelines

Please have trash, recyclables, and yard waste at the curb on your assigned collection day by 7 a.m. but no earlier than 7 p.m. the day before your collection day.

Please follow the guidelines below when preparing your materials for proper collection. If materials are not properly prepared, contracted haulers will not collect materials.

Multifamily living residents (apartments and condos) have their service provided by the property management company. Contact the property manager to get accurate information regarding your service if you live in a multifamily complex.

Trash

- All trash must be placed in bags or approved containers.
- Residents are responsible for providing their own trash bags and containers.
- Each bag or container must weigh less than 50 pounds.
- A rolling trash cart may also be available to for free or to rent. This charge is independent from your trash service bill and is set up directly with local waste hauler.

Senior citizens who are the head of household may sign up to receive a discount on the trash portion of their bill. Contact your local waste service hauler to learn more about their senior discount program.

Unacceptable Items:

The following items should not be placed in the trash.

- Appliances containing Freon (refrigerators, freezers and air conditioners)
- Lead-acid batteries (car and motorcycle batteries)
- Liquid waste, including used motor oil and paint
- Tires
- Yard waste
- Explosive items, radioactive waste, and other materials that could be dangerous to the workers collecting trash.

Proper disposal of dangerous and difficult materials

Information on how to properly dispose of needles and "sharps" can be found at Columbus Public Health: columbus.gov/publichealth/programs/Alcohol-and-Drug-Abuse/Safe-Needle-Disposal/.

Information on how to properly dispose of household hazardous waste such as fluorescent light bulbs, lawn chemicals and old gasoline can be found on SWACO's website: swaco.org/195/Household-Hazardous-Waste.

Information on how to properly dispose of prescription drugs can also be found at SWACO's website: swaco.org/196/Pharmaceutical

Bulk items

Furniture, carpeting, mattresses, box springs and other bulk items will be collected with the regular trash when placed at the curb. Any upholstered items (including mattresses and box springs) must be wrapped in plastic.

To learn more about what is acceptable in the trash, and how to properly dispose of or recycle items that do not belong in the trash, go to www.swaco.org, and click on the "Diversion" tab.

Yard waste

Yard waste should be placed at the curb on your normal yard waste collection day.

Containers

- Residents are responsible for providing their own yard waste bags or containers.
- Loose material should be placed in biodegradable bags or rigid containers clearly marked "yard waste only."
- "Yard waste only" stickers can be obtained from the township to place on waste receptacles designated for yard waste.
- Each biodegradable bag, container or bundle and weigh less than 50 pounds.

Do not place yard waste in plastic bags but use biodegradable paper bags or clearly marked rigid containers.

Acceptable yard waste items

- Grass and leaves
- Tree branches – less than eight-inch diameter, four feet in length or less, and bundled with string or twine
- Christmas trees – whole trees, no decorations, no lights, no tinsel, no garland. Do not place trees in plastic bags.

Unacceptable Items:

Only yard waste is permitted in yard waste bags and containers. Do not place plastic bags, plastic straps, plastic pots, food waste, rocks or dirt into yard waste bags or containers.

Reuse, donate, recycle

Find more information on diversion options like reuse, donation and recycling at www.swaco.org.