



# WASTE COLLECTION GUIDE FOR LANDLORDS

## Container Placement and Storage

- Trash, recycling, and yard waste containers must be at least four (4) feet from parked cars and other obstructions.
- Trash, recycling and yard waste containers must be removed from the point of collection (right-of-way) by 2:00 p.m. the day after collection and stored until 6:00 p.m. the day before the next collection day.
- If a 90-gallon trash or 64-gallon recycling container is left at the point of collection and is vandalized or stolen, it will be replaced at the owner's expense.
- Do not move or relocate 300-gallon containers.

## Trash Collection

- All trash must be bagged before placing into 90-gallon and 300-gallon containers for collection.
- DO NOT place bagged or loose trash on the ground.
- The designated point of collection and surrounding area must be kept free from debris, spillage, and overflow.
- Owners and tenants are not permitted to place acceptable or unacceptable waste in trash containers not assigned to their residence.
- The use of 300-gallon container collection is limited to the persons living in the residential block in which the container is located and is serviced by alley collection.

## Recycling Collection

- Recycling containers that are contaminated with acceptable or unacceptable waste that is not recyclable will not be collected. Failure to comply will result in a termination of recycling service.

## Yard Waste

- Yard waste MUST be placed at the curb for collection. Yard waste in the alley will not be collected.
- Yard waste must be placed in paper lawn and leaf bags or in plastic or metal containers not to exceed thirty two (32) gallons in size or fifty (50) pounds in weights. Yard Waste bundles must be tied with string or twine and must not exceed 4 feet in length and two (2) feet in diameter, or fifty (50) pounds in weight.

## Bulk Collection

- Bulk items must be scheduled for collection through the 311 Service Center at 614-645-3111 or visit [311.columbus.gov](http://311.columbus.gov).
- The 311 Service Center MUST be informed when scheduling bulk if the items have been exposed to bed bugs.
- Bulk must be placed at the point of collection by 6:00 a.m. on the scheduled day of collection, and not more than 3 calendar days (72 hours) prior to the scheduled collection.
- Bulk in areas with 300-gallon collection must be placed directly behind the resident's property on their side of the alley.
- Bulk MUST be maintained in an orderly fashion until collected.

## **Bulk Collection (Continued)**

- Bags and boxed items are not considered bulk and should be placed inside trash containers for collection.
- Bulk collection is limited to occupied dwellings.
- Only bulk items generated at the property should be scheduled for collection.
- Property owners are responsible for the proper disposal of all abandoned property that has been left by a previous owner, property manager, tenant or occupant. DO NOT place abandoned property at the curb, alley, or in the public right-of-way.
- Items resulting from an eviction, set out, move-out, or house clean out are not eligible for bulk collection and is the owner's responsibility to remove and properly dispose of through an authorized licensed commercial waste hauler.
- If for any reason a notice of violation has been issued on the property, scheduled bulk collection shall not be permitted until the violation(s) has been resolved unless approved by a Solid Waste Investigator. The owner must utilize an authorized licensed commercial waste hauler and provide documentation of proper disposal.

## **Unacceptable Waste**

- Unacceptable waste, including but not limited to construction, remodeling and demolition waste (e.g. roofing, drywall, lumber, plumbing fixtures, windows, doors, cabinets, siding, fencing, and concrete) is not eligible for bulk collection.
- Property owners MUST provide for the proper storage, collection, and disposal by an authorized licensed commercial waste hauler for any construction, remodeling, and demolition waste, generated at or incident to any construction, remodeling or demolition process. In addition, the property owner MUST provide for the storage capacity which is sufficient to contain the construction, remodeling and demolition waste between disposal services, and MUST keep such storage capacity for the duration of the project.

## **Evictions**

- It is the duty of any owner or lessor of any dwelling unit where a court supervised setout is performed as a result of any eviction action, to arrange for the collection and disposal through an authorized licensed commercial waste hauler.
- Acceptable or unacceptable waste resulting from any court supervised set out as a result of any eviction action is not permitted to be placed in the right-of-way.

## **Container Management**

- Container damage as a result of the collection process or due to normal wear and tear, should be reported to the 311 Service Center at 614-645-3111.
- Owners whose container is missing, defaced, or burned will be charged for replacing the container.
- Properties with 96-gallon green wheeled trash containers, may purchase one (1) additional container if additional capacity is needed.
- Properties with 64-gallon blue wheeled trash containers, may purchase two (2) additional containers if additional recycling capacity is needed.