

City of Lexington

Recycling and Waste Collection Division

Basic Residential Services

OUR PURPOSE

To serve the citizens of Lexington in helping to maintain a high standard of health and a clean environment by managing the timely collection and disposal of the solid wastes generated by the citizens of Lexington and to accomplish this goal in a cost effective manner with a high level of customer satisfaction.

OUR MISSION

The City of Lexington Recycling and Waste Collection Division is committed to providing the most efficient and cost effective collection services. To succeed in this goal, it is very important for customers to understand and follow the basic service guidelines.

This brochure provides important information to customers describing the basic services policies and fees adopted by City Council.

BASIC RESIDENTIAL SERVICES
AND POLICIES

Collection and Disposal Once Per Week of:

- ◇ One Recycling Bin (extra recycling may be placed in a clear plastic bag beside the bin.)

- ◇ Collection of Leaves during Leaf Season (October–December) Leaves cannot be mixed with any other debris i.e brush, dirt, rocks, etc. **Do not bag.**

- ◇ Collection of Loose Grass for collection efficiency please contain grass in one or two piles. **Do not bag.**

- ◇ **Cumulative amounts of brush, tree limbs (cut by the occupant or property owner,) or household trash at a residence, which does not exceed the equivalent of two (2) tons, or five cubic yards per month or thirty-day period, (example 4 ft. wide by 4ft. High by 8 ft. long) maximum 8 ft. lengths , will be collected and disposed of at no additional fee. Disposal of any remaining (over the limit) debris is the responsibility of the occupant or property owner. If excess debris is collected by the City, the current fee adopted by City Council will apply.**

- ◇ *Note: Limbs resulting from the same cutting or any other household debris which exceeds the allowable limit, cannot be spread over several pickups in order to avoid the fee.*

- ◇ **Note: Collection service must be turned on at a location prior to receiving any basic service.**

White Goods (APPLIANCES) there is a \$25 hauling fee per appliance collected. **Tires** there is a \$10 hauling fee per tire collected.

A customer may dispose of appliances and tires at the Davidson County Landfill at **NO CHARGE**.

MIXED DEBRIS

Due to Federal, State, and County disposal regulations, mixed piles of garbage, trash, brush, will not be collected.

ITEMS NOT COLLECTED BY THE RECYCLING AND WASTE DIVISION

No hypodermic needles, medical wastes, or medicines. DO NOT PLACE ANY OF THE ABOVE IN THE RECYCLING BIN.

Renovation, construction and/or demolition wastes.

Services performed by a contractor or third party remains the responsibility of the property owner, homeowner or occupant to remove. Services include, but are not limited to: land clearing, tree cutting, tree pruning, renovations, construction and/or demolition wastes.

Chemicals, used oil, hazardous or flammable materials or liquids of any kind, paint cans, metal drums, hot ashes. *Residents may dispose of hazardous materials at the Davidson County Household Hazardous Waste Facility.*

Automobile parts, such as but not limited to: engines, gas tanks, bumpers, seats, windshields, etc.

Dirt, loose garbage/trash.

Any debris on vacant lots.

COLLECTION

Collection days are Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. All garbage/trash/yard waste/recyclables are collected on the assigned collection days. The City requires containers and all other debris to be placed at the curb, street or road the evening prior to collection. The container(s) are to be removed by midnight of the assigned collection day.

**RESIDENTIAL
RECYCLING PROGRAM**

What items can be placed in the recycle bin?

Clear and colored glass, aluminum/steel and beverage cans (rinse and remove lids,) plastic bottles/jugs*, newspapers, corrugated cardboard, magazines, junk mail, catalogs, computer paper, notebook paper, and phone books. Also, paperboard packaging such as shoeboxes, gift boxes, drink cartons and clean dry food boxes. Cereal boxes without the wax paper or foil liners are acceptable. Used clothing in clear bags (must be clean and dry.)

**All milk jugs and soda bottles are recyclable. All bottles/jugs marked with a 1—7 recycling emblem are acceptable.*

Extra recycling may be placed in a clear bag and set beside the recycling bin.

If an item is not listed above, then it is not acceptable in the recycling bin. Please call the office if there is a question and/or concern regarding recycling other items.

The Davidson County Hazardous Household Waste Facility will accept many prohibited items in the City's recycling program such as but not limited to:

◇ **Used motor oil, cooking oil, paint cans, etc. For questions; please call 336-242-2856.**

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING PROGRAM

Items accepted but not limited to:

◇ Televisions, computers, laptops, printers, monitors, copiers, VCRs, DVD players, stereos, speakers and many additional items. Please call the office for more details.

LEXINGTON APPEARANCE COMMISSION

HELP KEEP LEXINGTON CLEAN AND GREEN

Citizen Responsibility

With residents, businesses, industries, and working day population in the tens of thousands, it is imperative that the citizens assume a greater role in the goal of a cleaner city.

What Every Citizen Should Do:

- ◇ Place rollout container, recycling bin, yard wastes and other debris at the curb prior to collection day. Remove the rollout & recycling bin the same evening after collection

- ◇ Call the Recycling and Waste Division Department prior to placing large amounts of waste at the curb for collection

- ◇ Participate in the City recycling program

- ◇ Participate in community litter collection projects

- ◇ Keep yard or vacant lots mowed and free of litter

- ◇ Pickup litter in the Street, yard, or any vacant lot adjacent to house or business.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

The City of Lexington accepts no liability for loss or damage to containers other than official City issued rollouts and recycling bins.

Due to cost considerations, any rollouts, recycling bins, etc., not placed at the curb or street for collection the night prior to the scheduled pickup day, will not be collected until the next weeks designation collection day.

The City is not responsible for cleanup of garbage/trash spilled due to overfilling or improper placement at street/curbside of containers. The lid must completely close on the rollout container and all garbage and trash must be bagged. Extra bags and other items must be placed at least three (3) feet from the rollout container..



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