



# GARBAGE & RECYCLING RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOODS

Code Enforcement & Public Health

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The city receives numerous calls a year regarding garbage and recycling issues. The following ordinance requirements are designed to maintain the pleasant appearance of our residential neighborhoods, as well as keep them clean and safe.

## Garbage and Refuse Service

The disposal of garbage and refuse by a licensed collector is required weekly at all residential properties. (City Ord. Ch. 98)

## Pre-Collection Practices

All garbage and trash must be placed in durable containers. Garbage containers must be made of materials that are rodent proof, fire resistant, waterproof and is equipped with suitable handles and tight-fitting covers. (City Ord. Ch. 98.14) The containers must also prevent insects, rodents, birds, animals, and other pests from getting into the waste to breed or scatter trash. Proper containers help prevent trash from blowing around and prevent the proliferation of pests that can spread disease.

Garbage/refuse must be drained of all free liquids before being deposited for collection and must be wrapped or bagged.

Helpful Hints for odor control:

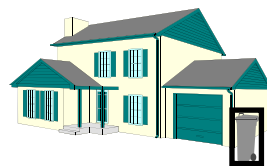
- Put a deodorant stick-up in the lid of the waste container.
- Double bag the trash before putting it into the waste container.

## Collection Practices

Waste and recycling containers may be placed out for pickup after 3:00 pm on the day prior to scheduled pick-up. Waste containers must be returned to an approved storage location on the same day of collection.

## Garbage/Recycling Container Storage

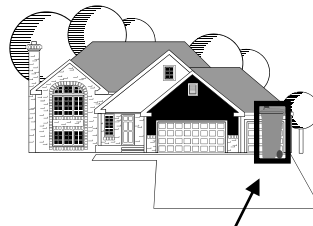
Waste containers must be stored out of view from front and adjacent side streets and from the front yards of adjacent properties. To ensure that containers comply with these requirements, store the containers inside a garage or shed or within a screened enclosure. An approved screened enclosure is constructed with wood, plastic fencing material or lattice with less than one inch holes and is located behind the front plane of the house. Shrubs, trees, or bushes are not a permitted type of screening.



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