

# What You Need to Know about **BULK COLLECTION**

**The City of Detroit is reminding residents** of the guidelines regarding bulk collection. Bulk items will be collected on your scheduled refuse collection day every other week.

Place bulk items at the curb away from your refuse container, yard waste or recycling, by 7 a.m. on the scheduled day of collection, no more than 24 hours in advance.

## BULK ITEMS INCLUDE



Furniture, Mattresses, Appliances, Hot Water Tanks, Carpeting, and Large Toys

**These items are NOT considered bulk items and should not be placed at the curb:**

## REMODELING OR CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS



## HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE



Take flammables, explosives, paint, batteries, hazardous or medical wastes, fuel, oil, etc. to an appropriate facility.

## Bulk Item Requirements

### WITHIN LIMIT



### EXCEEDS LIMIT



One cubic yard is about the size of a couch, stove or refrigerator.

Smaller items (clothing, toys, lamps, etc.) should be placed in plastic bags or boxes.

Carpeting should be rolled in bundles of no more than 4 feet and tied.

Place bulk items only in front of your household. Placing your bulk items in front of vacant lots or houses can result in a ticket being issued.

**If you have more than 1,000 pounds or one cubic yard in bulk items, here is what you should do:**

- 1) Use the pickup service provided by the Department of Public Works. DPW will come out and give you an estimate on the cost of disposing of your bulk items. Call **(313) 876-0049**.
- 2) Rent a roll-off container from a private vendor and dispose of your items in that container.

You may take bulk items, yard waste or recycling to one of five bulk drop-off locations

- **Davison Yard** / 8221 West Davison
- **Southfield Yard** / 12255 Southfield Rd.
- **J. Fons Transfer Station** / 6451 E. McNichols
- **State Fair Yard** / 19715 John R
- **5840 Anthon** btw Calvary and Campbell

Detroit residents with proper identification may use the drop-off locations but are limited to 1,000 pounds per person per day. No construction debris accepted.

## FAILURE TO COMPLY CAN RESULT IN FINES

**Bulks items totaling more than one cubic yard or weighing more than 1,000 pounds will not be collected, and the homeowner will be subject to a fine of up to \$100 for first offense and up to \$1000 for fourth offense.**



# What You Need to Know about **YARD WASTE COLLECTION**



**Collection is every other week  
(April – November)**

**Yard Waste** – leaves, grass clippings, shrubs and twigs – will be collected every other week on your scheduled collection day.

Place your yard waste at the curb for collection **by 7 a.m. but no more than 24 hours in advance**. Yard waste is collected with a separate truck.

## To properly dispose of yard waste:

- Only use paper, biodegradable lawn/yard bags or your own 32-gallon reusable plastic or metal container, which must be marked Yard Waste Only. The weight restriction on a 32-gallon container is 60 pounds. **NO PLASTIC BAGS will be collected.**
- Small twigs or branches may be placed in yard waste bags, or tied together in individual bundles no longer than 4 feet in length.
- Do not place yard waste in your refuse container.
- Brush in excess of 2 inches in diameter should be tied and placed at the curb.

**Brush that is not properly packaged is subject to not being collected on your bi-weekly collection day and may result in a ticket being issued for non-compliance.**



## To be a good neighbor

- Do not store your refuse or recycling can in the front yard
- Your container is only allowed at the curb from 6 p.m. on the day before collection and shall be removed not later than 9 p.m. on the day of collection
- Do not place bulk debris in front of another structure or in front of a vacant lot. Place your bulk items in front of your household only.
- Do not mix yard waste, recyclables and/or refuse

**Failure to comply with any of these requirements can result in a ticket being issued.**

**NOT PROPERLY PACKAGED**



If you are unsure about your collection date, bulk collection limit or have any questions, please call your solid waste provider.



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