Village of North Aurora

Solid Waste & Recycling Collection Guide
Dear Village of North Aurora Resident:
The Village of North Aurora contracts with Waste Management to provide trash recycling and yard waste services to residential households with four or less unit occupancy. This booklet provides you up-to-date information on your waste and recycling services. We look forward to keeping North Aurora as clean and green as possible in 2016 and beyond.

**General Guidelines**
- Household refuse, recycling and yard waste will be collected between 6:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. on your scheduled collection day. Please have all items (refuse, recycling, and yard waste) out by 6:00 a.m. Separate trucks on different schedules collect refuse, recycling and yard waste, so early pick-up does not mean early collection.
- Items for collection may be placed at the curb after 3:00 p.m. on the day before your scheduled pick-up. Residents must remove containers from the curb by midnight on the day of collection.
- All containers/bags, excluding recycling containers, must have a proper sticker for collection.

**Observed Holidays:**
Scheduled collection days that fall on or after an observed holiday will be delayed one day the week before the holiday only. The following holidays will be observed:

- New Year’s Day
- Memorial Day
- Independence Day
- Labor Day
- Thanksgiving Day
- Christmas Day

**Service Inquiries**
If you have any questions regarding your collection services or if you experience any collection problem, please contact Waste Management at (800) 796-9696.

**Garbage**
Each resident may place an unlimited number of bags or cans not exceeding 32 gallons and 50 lbs. of regular household trash each week. One (1) refuse sticker per 32-gallon container/bag is required. Refuse stacked on top of the container without a proper sticker will not be collected.

**Cart Service**
Residents have the option of renting a 96-gallon trash cart through Waste Management for a monthly rental fee. No stickers required. Any bags or containers outside the 96-gallon cart will require a sticker to be collected. For more details please contact Waste Management at (800) 796-9696.

**Larger Bulk Items**
Bulk items that are too large to fit into a 32-gallon container/bag, (discarded toys, crates, barrels, small tables, small chairs, etc.) weighing less than 50 lbs. will require one (1) refuse sticker per item to be collected. Each bulk item that weighs more than 50 lbs. (mattresses, dressers, sofas, large chairs, etc.) requires four (4) refuse stickers to be collected.
Recycling

- Residents are provided with one 64-gallon recycling cart.
- There is no limit to the number of recycling containers that residents may set out for collection. Containers cannot exceed 32-gallons and 50 lbs. Stickers are not required on recycling contain.
- Residents can rent an additional 64-gallon recycling cart through Waste Management for an additional monthly charge. For details, please contact Waste Management at (800) 796-9696.
- Do not put recyclable materials in plastic bags - empty your recyclables loose directly into your cart. Don’t mix trash in your recycling cart as it will not be collected if it contains garbage.
- It’s important to get the right materials in your recycling cart. Please see the adjacent panel to learn what items are acceptable for recycling. To learn more, or to become a Recycling Ambassador, visit RecycleOftenRecycleRight.com.

Carpet Rolls

Carpet must be tied in rolls less than four (4) feet in length and 18 inches in diameter and we less than 50 lbs. Carpet rolls require one (1) refuse sticker for each roll for collection.

Do-it-Yourself household Construction or Demolition Debris

Do-it-yourself household construction or demolition debris (up to 2 cubic yards) must be placed either in bundles weighing less than 50 lbs., up to four (4) feet in length and up to 18 inches in diameter, or placed in 32-gallon containers weighing less than 50 lbs. Each bundle or container will require one (1) refuse sticker for collection.

Special Collections

One (1) cubic yard shall be the minimum amount of refuse required for a special collection. Special collections must be prepaid and prescheduled by calling Waste Management at (800) 796-9696.

Waste Management offers large rolloff containers for large construction projects. Contact Waste Management at (800) 796-9696 for rates and scheduling.

Waste Management also offers its exclusive Bagster for smaller construction projects. Bagster is available in many home improvement stores. To learn more, visit www.thebagster.com.

Yard Waste (grass clippings, brush, plant materials and weeds)

- The yard waste collection program runs from April 1 to November 30.
- Each resident may dispose of an unlimited number of biodegradable Kraft paper bags or cans clearly marked for yard waste not exceeding 32 gallons and 50 lbs. One (1) yard waste sticker will be required for each Kraft paper bag or can. Plastic bags are not acceptable for yard waste or leaves.
- Brush and tree trimmings must be tied with biodegradable string in bundles not exceeding four (4) feet in length, 18 inches in diameter and 50 lbs. in weight. Each bundle will require one (1) yard waste sticker visibly attached to it for collection.

Free Leaf Collection

Leaves placed in 32-gallon biodegradable Kraft paper bags will not require a sticker for collection between October 1 and November 30.
Christmas Trees
Christmas trees will be collected from Christmas through the end of January at no charge to residents. During this free period the Christmas trees must be free of all decorations and cannot be in plastic bags. Christmas trees over 6 feet tall need to be cut in half. After the free collection period has expired, Christmas trees will require one (1) refuse sticker visibly affixed to be collected.

Seasonal Subscription Yard Waste Program
Residents have the option of a seasonal subscription yard waste program from April 1 through November 30 for $160.00 per season. This includes a 96-gallon cart serviced weekly during the yard waste season and up to two additional Kraft paper bags not exceeding 32 gallons and 50 lbs. per week. Anything more than the two additional bags will require one (1) sticker to be serviced.

Spring and Fall Clean-up Days
- The Village offers a spring and fall clean-up each year. Dates will be provided in the Village newsletter prior to the clean-up. Clean-ups will occur over two days.
- Please have items out by 6:00 a.m. as Waste Management will run extra trucks causing pick-up times to change.
- Regular garbage and yard waste will require stickers as usual.
- Loose items need to be tied in bundles, placed in bags or cans not exceeding 32 gallons and 50 lbs.

Appliances
Appliances (refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners, humidifiers, etc.) will require four (4) refuse stickers to be collected. Appliance pick-up must be prescheduled by calling Waste Management at (800) 796-9696.

Household Batteries
Batteries must be placed in a Ziplock bag and placed on top of the recycling cart for collection.

Automobile Tires
Tires can be collected but there is a separate fee for each tire and they must be removed from the rim. Please call Waste Management at (800) 796-9696 to arrange collection of automobile tires.

Latex Paint
Latex paint can be disposed of by drying out the container. Residents can use sand or kitty litter to absorb any paint in the can. This only applies to latex paint.

Unacceptable Items
Household products that are flammable, toxic, corrosive, or reactive can pose a harmful threat or damage the environment when disposed of improperly. Items like waste paint, pesticides, poisons, cleaning solvents, tainted gasoline, used oil, and other automobile fluids are considered to be household hazardous waste and should not be included with your refuse for disposal. Other unacceptable household hazardous waste include: e-waste (electronics & televisions), medical waste (Sharps) and fluorescent bulbs.
When the Village of North Aurora residents use **Recycle Often. Recycle Right.**™, great things happen. By recycling everyday items like those shown below, tons of raw materials, time, energy and money are saved. Plus the recycled materials become new products - if you recycle an aluminum can today, it could be back on the shelf as a new one in 60 days - and the cycle continues.

- Place only the acceptable recyclables shown below together in your recycling cart - no sorting needed.
- Containers that held food should be rinsed free of food debris and liquid.
- Do not put recyclables in plastic bags.

Acceptable materials for curbside recycling include:

**Always recycle:**

- Plastic Bottles & Containers
- Food & Beverage Cans
- Paper
- Flattened Cardboard & Paperboard
- Food & Beverage Cartons
- Glass Bottles & Containers

**Do NOT include in your mixed recycling cart:**

- NO Food Waste (Compost instead!)
- NO Plastic Bags & Film (Find a recycling site at plasticfilmrecycling.org)
- NO Foam Cups & Containers (Check Earth911.org for options.)
- NO Needles (Keep medical waste out of recycling. Place in safe disposal containers like Waste Management's MedWaste Tracker® box.)

To Learn More Visit: RecycleOftenRecycleRight.com

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