

**CITY OF SYLVANIA  
REFUSE, RECYCLABLES AND GREEN YARD WASTE COLLECTIONS**

**REFUSE COLLECTION:**

Refuse is collected, by a private waste hauler, once a week. The crews begin collections at 7:00 a.m., you may put your containers out at the curb after sunset of the day preceding your collection day. There is a **THREE CONTAINER LIMIT (3)** for Refuse Collection. A container is a refuse can or a plastic bag. The maximum size for a refuse can is 33 gallon and may weigh up to 60 pounds when it is filled, a plastic refuse bag can weigh up to 40 pounds. You can use three refuse cans, or three plastic bags, or a combination of refuse cans and plastic bags, for a total of three containers.

If you have more than three containers of refuse to be picked up you may purchase "Extra Bag Service" stickers for \$1.00 each. "Bulk Item" Stickers, to dispose of white goods and large items, can be purchased, for \$7.00 each. The stickers are available in the Zoning Office of the Administration Building, 6730 Monroe Street, Sylvania, Ohio 43560. If you send a check, we will mail the "Bulk Item" and/or the "Extra Bag Service" Stickers back to you.

The city has unlimited household collections twice a year, once in the Spring and once in the Fall. A notice for these collections is mailed to the residence.

Please separate your refuse from your recyclables and green yard waste by either placing them on different sides of your driveway or by leaving space between them so the crews can easily distinguish them at the curbside.

An Ohio law makes it illegal to dump "green yard waste" into any landfill. The refuse collection contractor will not pick up grass clippings, weeds, tree trimmings, etc. "Green yard waste" is collected by the Forestry Department crews, call 419-885-8992 for information.

Effective July 1, 1992, the Federal Clean Air Act made it unlawful to dispose of appliances, refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners, and dehumidifiers, that contain Freon. The refuse crews will not pick up any appliance that contained refrigerant unless it has been certified "Freon-free". To dispose of such an appliance, a service technician has to remove the Freon from the appliance, a form must be attached to the appliance certifying that it is "Freon free". A Bulk Item Sticker needs to be placed on the appliance when it is placed out by the street. If the appliance does not have the proper documentation, that the refrigerant has been removed, it will not be picked up.

Materials that will not be collected by the refuse collector include the following: lumber, building and remodeling materials, paint, paint thinner, tires, automobile parts, stones, rocks, dirt, steel, iron, motor oil, pesticide containers, tree stumps or dead animals.

Beginning January 1, 1993, households that do not pay City of Sylvania Income Tax are billed for Refuse Collection. The monthly fee is included on your Utility Bill.

**Please Note:**

The Refuse, Recycling, and Green Yard Waste Collections run one day late, for the remainder of the week, following the six major holidays listed below, if your regular collection day falls on or after one of these holidays, and the holiday is on a week day. There is no change in the collection schedule if the holiday falls on a weekend.

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| ■ New Year's Day,                    | ■ Labor Day,        |
| ■ Memorial Day,                      | ■ Thanksgiving Day, |
| ■ Independence Day (Fourth of July), | ■ Christmas Day.    |

Please call the Zoning Office, at 419-885-8947, with any questions or complaints.

## **RECYCLABLES:**

Recyclables are collected the same day as your refuse. The recyclables do not count as part of the three container limit for the Refuse collection.

### **Place the glass, plastic bottles, and cans in the recycling bin:**

- Glass bottles and jars - (clear, brown, green, and blue - with the lids removed).
- Plastics bottles #1 and #2 - (soda bottles, water bottles, milk jugs, fabric softener, laundry detergent, and dish washing liquid bottles). If you crush the bottles they take up less space and do not blow around as easily.
- Household plastics (#3 - #7) - empty containers only.
- Cans - (aluminum, steel, and tin)

### **PLEASE: Rinse all containers**

- Newspapers, Magazines, Catalogues, Telephone Books, and Junk Mail can be placed in the bin, you may place them in paper grocery bags or tie them in a bundle to keep them from blowing around the neighborhood.
  - Pasteboard boxes - cereal boxes, cracker boxes, shoe boxes, gift boxes, and beverage can boxes can either be put in with the newspapers or placed in the bin.
  - Corrugated Cardboard Boxes - Cut, fold and/or flatten boxes into 2' x 2' pieces (maximum size) and put in the recycling bin. You can bundle the cardboard or put it in a paper grocery bag, then set it with your recycling bin.
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## **GRASS CLIPPINGS AND GREEN YARD WASTE:**

■ Grass clippings can be left on the lawn, causing no thatch problem, it will act as a fertilizing component. If you want the City to pick up your grass clippings and yard waste, it must be placed in official "City of Sylvania - Yard Waste Bags" or rigid containers with a "Yearly Can Sticker."

■ The bags can be purchased at The Anderson's, Kroger, Sautter's, and the Zoning Office. The "Yearly Can Stickers" cost \$30.00 per can for the calendar year and can be purchased in the Forestry and Zoning Offices.

■ The Yard Waste Collection Calendar is published in the "Country Journal," please consult the calendar for your collection days. During the winter months (December, January, February, and March) the collection is conducted one week during the month, and you need to call the Forestry Department at 419-885-8992 for collection.

■ Limbs and branches, no more than four feet in length, can be bundled and placed out for collection any week that your Green Yard Waste is collected. They will pick-up a maximum of ten (10) bundles any regular collection day.

If you have any questions call the Forestry Department at 419-885-8992.

## **SPECIAL GREEN YARD WASTE:**

The Forestry Department has "Special Green Yard Waste" collections during the year. For the "Special" collections green yard waste can be placed in:

- containers, without lids, that the crews can pick up and dump (maximum 50 pounds),
- bundles, no more than four feet in length and tied,
- paper grocery bags, any type of paper bag,
- cardboard boxes (maximum 50 pounds).

## **GREEN YARD WASTE IN PLASTIC BAGS WILL NEVER BE PICKED UP.**

## **LEAF AND CHRISTMAS TREE PICK UP:**

Each Fall the Street Department picks up leaves that are raked to the edge of the street, not on the pavement. If you have any questions regarding the collection schedule you can call either the Street Department at 419-885-8973 or the Service Department at 419-885-8965.

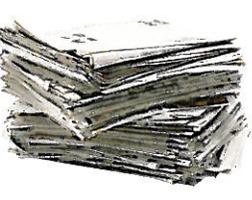
Fresh cut Christmas Trees are collected by the Forestry Department after January 1<sup>st</sup>. Place the tree, without the tree stand, decorations, and lights, at the curb. If you have questions or, if your tree is not picked up, call the Forestry Department at 419-885-8992.



# Thank You For Recycling!

We wish to thank you for doing your part to protect our environment. Your efforts truly do make a difference! Please follow these guidelines when gathering and preparing your materials for **curbside recycling**.

## ACCEPTABLE MATERIAL GUIDELINES PLEASE SAVE THESE GUIDELINES FOR FUTURE REFERENCE

 <p><b>Cardboard &amp; Paper Bags</b> Flatten cardboard &amp; cut into pieces No wax coated cardboard</p>	 <p><b>Paperboard</b> No wax coated paperboard</p>	 <p><b>Magazines &amp; Catalogs</b> All types &amp; sizes</p>	 <p><b>Junk Mail</b> Envelopes, flyers, brochures, postcards etc.</p>	 <p><b>Office Paper</b> All types and sizes</p>
 <p><b>Phone Books</b> All types and sizes</p>	 <p><b>Newspaper</b> Remove bags, strings and rubber bands</p>	 <p><b>Kitchen Cookware</b> Metal pots, pans, tins &amp; utensils</p>	 <p><b>*Steel &amp; Tin Cans</b> Empty cans only</p>	 <p><b>*Empty Glass Jars and Bottles</b></p>
 <p><b>*Aluminum Cans</b> Empty cans only</p>	 <p><b>*Plastic Jugs/Bottles (#1 &amp; #2)</b></p>	 <p><b>*Household Plastic (#3 - #7)</b> Empty containers only</p>	 <p><b>*Plastic Bags</b> Most retail and grocery bags</p>	<p><b>RECYCLING BIN FULL?</b></p> <p>Clear plastic bags can be used for additional items if your bin is full.</p> 

### PLASTIC REFERENCE GUIDE

-  Plastic soft drink & water bottles, catsup, mouthwash and salad dressing bottles. Peanut butter, mayo, pickle, jelly and jam jars.
-  Milk, water, juice, shampoo, dish and laundry detergent bottles; yogurt containers, cereal liners, grocery, trash and retail bags.
-  Clear food and non-food packaging and electrical cable insulation.
-  Dry cleaning, bread and frozen food bags, squeezable bottles e.g. honey, mustard, BBQ sauce, etc.
-  Catsup bottles, yogurt containers, margarine tubs, medicine and vitamin bottles, etc.
-  Compact disc jackets, food service applications, grocery store, aspirin bottles, cups and plates. (No Styrofoam)
-  Three and five gallon reusable water bottles, some citrus juice and catsup bottles.
-  \* See bottom of container for plastic type 

### UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS

- Paper Milk or Juice Cartons
- Styrofoam Containers/Packing
- Garbage
- Propane Tanks
- Paint Cans
- Medical Waste/Syringes
- Flammable Liquids
- Household Cleaners
- Chemicals (Dry or Liquid)
- Wood Items
- Concrete
- Garden Hose
- Electrical Cords

**\*Please help protect our workers...  
WE DO NOT ACCEPT SYRINGES OR NEEDLES.**

