

**CITY OF SYLVANIA
REFUSE COLLECTION
RULES AND REGULATIONS**

1. **Refuse**, as used herein, means all perishable wastes, including vegetable and fruit waste; animal manure; household wastes (non-hazardous), clothing, and empty paint cans.
Refuse shall **not** mean lumber, remodeling materials, tires, auto parts, stones, dirt/rocks, steel, motor oil, pesticide containers, paint, tree stumps or other yard waste, or dead animals. ***All material shall be securely bagged (loose material may be blown from the dumping operation).***

Bulk items, as used herein, means appliances, water heaters, furniture, mattresses, carpeting (rolled in 4' lengths and tied no larger than 2' in diameter), and dismantled swing sets (concrete bases removed). All Freon shall be removed from any such appliances before disposal. Bulk Item stickers shall be purchased from the Department of Utilities.

2. **COLLECTION SERVICE:** Refuse will be collected once each week for every residence (as defined in SCO 941) in the City provided that (1) a Toter is kept thereon; (2) said residence is not served by a private refuse collection service; and (3) the Director of Public Service approves of same with the standards of the Public Service Department. In the event that the normally scheduled collection day falls on a holiday, collection for that area shall take place on the next working day. During the remainder of the week in which such a holiday has occurred, the scheduled collection day for each area will be delayed one day, with areas typically serviced Friday, being serviced on Saturday. Collections shall be made between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.
3. **LIMITATION ON NUMBER OF CONTAINERS:** Each residence is limited to one 95-gallon container of refuse as part of the City basic service. A resident may purchase additional disposable containers from the Department of Utilities for material above and beyond the container limit.
4. **CONTAINER REQUIREMENTS/LOCATION:** Container requirements are one 95-gallon "Trash" Toter as supplied by the City of Sylvania weighing no more than 300 pounds when filled. For lost or stolen containers, a Police Report must be filed. Damaged Toters due to misuse or abuse will require the resident to pay \$75 for a replacement.

All Toters and bulk items shall be placed at the edge of the street off the pavement by 7:00 a.m. on the collection day but not before 7:00 p.m. on the night preceding the collection day. Toters shall not remain at the edge of the street after sunset on the collection day. **There must be 3 feet of clearance on each side of the Toter for collection. Toters shall be placed a minimum of 5 feet from any obstructions such as fire hydrants, street signs, mailboxes, vehicles, utility poles, etc.**

- Place the Toter in the street lawn, the area between the sidewalk and the edge of the street as close to the street as possible, but not under trees.
- Do not block driveway and garage access of neighbors with Toters.
- Set Toters with the lid opening facing the street.
- Do not lean any items against Toters.
- Only City of Sylvania issued Toters will be emptied.

- Toters must be set out for collection by 7:00 a.m. to ensure collection by the City Contractor. Changes in weather condition, crew assignment, etc. can cause your pickup to be at different times. A trip fee of \$25 will be charged if the contractor is requested to return for a pick up.
- Lids must be kept closed to keep rain, snow, and animals out of the Toter.
- All items must fit in the Toter with the lid closed. ***All material shall be securely bagged (loose material may be blown from the dumping operation).***
- DO NOT place items on the closed lid of the Toter.

Carry out and carry-back service may be provided to residents who meet the City's requirements for disabled, handicapped, or elderly service. The collection contractor shall not be required nor permitted to enter garages, dwellings, porches or enclosed premises.

5. **DO NOT PLACE IN REFUSE TOTER:** construction, remodeling materials, auto parts, yard waste, liquids, highly flammable or explosive materials including hot ashes. If unacceptable items are in the Toter, the collection contractor will stop emptying the Toter and the resident is then responsible for correcting the problem.
6. **CONTAINER STORAGE:** Toters should never be stored in the front yard of any property and shall not be visible from the street.