

BASIC GUIDELINES FOR SORTING AND PREPARING YOUR RECYCLABLES AND YARD WASTE

Acceptable: Aluminum cans, rinsed tin cans.

NOT acceptable: NO Motor oil or other hazardous material jugs.
NO food contaminated or other contaminated materials.

Recycle Plastics by SHAPE: Numbers on the bottom do not tell you if an item is recyclable. That's why we ask you to look at the shape.

The types of plastic we collect have the best chance of being recycled into new products.

We accept: Plastic Bottles, Plastic Jars, Tubs and Buckets.

Plastic items NOT Acceptable:

- **Lids:** Throw lids in the trash. Plastic lids and caps are too small to be sorted properly and do not get recycled.
- **Bags and Wrap:** Grocery bags and plastic wrap get tangled in machinery at sorting facilities. Throw plastic wrap in the trash. Reuse plastic bags or take back to participating grocery stores for recycling.
- **Crinkly and Lightweight Plastic:** Items like plastic drink cups, clamshell packaging for produce and packaging around toys and electronics are not recyclable because they flatten during collection and processing and get sorted incorrectly as paper. Throw these items in the trash.


Acceptable: Rinsed clear, brown, and green glass bottles and jars.

NOT acceptable: NO light bulbs, broken glass, ceramics, window or Pyrex glass.
NO food contaminated bottles or jars or other contaminated materials.

Acceptable: Newspaper, magazines, catalogs, mail, phone books. Please put mail in separate paper bag inside bin. Corrugated cardboard boxes should be flattened, tied in bundles and set next to bins.

NOT acceptable: TetraPak (milk cartons), waxed cardboard or paper, wrapping paper, black carbon paper.
NO food-contaminated boxes or other contaminated materials.

YARD WASTE PREPARATION: Includes grass clippings, leaves, plant and tree prunings.

 Please place yard waste in your 96 gallon company provided yard waste container.

 We also accept **bare Christmas trees** for recycling; **cut in sections no longer than 4 ft.**

The diameter of the tree may not be larger than 4 inches.

Trees with flocking or tinsel can be taken as garbage and you will be charged accordingly.

 **For CHRISTMAS 2023 we will collect Christmas trees the week of January 8-12, 2024.**

SPRING CLEAN UP WEEK

During Spring Clean Up, Olympic Disposal will pick up 3 extra garbage and/or yard waste at no additional charge for customers inside Port Townsend City Limits. Olympic Disposal will also be picking up one appliance per customer. There will be a Freon removal fee for refrigerators and freezers, other appliances will be picked up at no cost. *Call for scheduling of appliance pick up and fees for disposal: 1-800-422-7854.*

SPRING 2023 CLEAN UP DETAILS

- **Containers must be out by 7:00 am to ensure service.**
- **Extra Yard Waste will be collected the week of April 3-7.** You may have up to 3-32 gallon cans or yard waste bags of yard waste, must weigh no more than 50 lbs. when full.
- **Extra Garbage will be collected the week of April 10-14.** You may have up to 3-32 gallon cans/bags out of garbage, must weigh no more than 50 lbs. when full.
- **Appliance Disposal:** One appliance item per household. Acceptable appliances include: Refrigerators, stoves, microwaves, dishwashers, freezers, hot water heaters, washers or dryers. *Please call for scheduling of appliance pick up and fees for the disposal: 1-800-422-7854.*

HINTS FROM YOUR HAULER

The following hints can help us better serve you and help you control your costs:

- Cart placement is critical to the success of automated service. **Please place your garbage cart no more than 5 feet from the sidewalk or curb by 7:00 am to ensure collection.**
- **Carts require 3-5 feet of clearance on all sides and 18 feet of clearance overhead** to allow for safe collection.
- **Please make sure the opening is facing the road** (handle towards you) and the lid closes completely to avoid any extra unit fees.
- **Have your garbage, recycling, or yard waste out by 7:00 am.**
- **Pay your bill on time to avoid finance charges.**
You can make payments online with VISA, MC, and AMEX:
www.wcicustomer.com Call: 1-800-422-7854