

TRASH/RECYCLE CONTAINER ETIQUETTE

Definition: polite behavior · good manners · proper behavior

Each Monday Waste Connections of Texas lumbers through our neighborhood picking up our trash. Every other Monday they also pick up our recycle. To keep our yards, our streets and Waste Connection employees safe Waste Connections has provided a few sensible, thoughtful and safe rules for trash and recycle collection.

- Leave 3 feet between containers
- Handles should face towards your house
- Material (trash) should not be higher than the lid of the container and no trash should be placed on top of lid
- Place containers within 3 feet of curb

The Village of Point Venture has a few sensible, thoughtful requests to assure safety of our yards, our neighborhood and our streets.

- No additional bags or trash stacked beside trash or recycle containers
- Make sure container lids are securely closed
- Place containers at curbside and return to normal storage area within 12 hours prior to or after pickup
- No brush or limb placed at curbside (CCC has brush/limb 40 yd container for residents)

Not appropriate trash container etiquette



Appropriately closed container

ACCEPTABLE/UNACCEPTABLE TRASH AND RECYCLING

Not all materials can be placed in the trash or recycling containers. Waste Connections has provided the following list of acceptable and unacceptable trash and recycling.

ACCEPTABLE RESIDENTIAL RECYCLING ITEMS

Metal

- ✓ Aluminum beverage cans
- ✓ Steel food & beverage cans & empty aerosol cans

Glass

- ✓ Clear, brown & green glass food & beverage containers
- ✓ No broken glass

Plastics

- ✓ #1–#7 Plastic containers & bottles with necks smaller than their bases

Paper, Paperboard & Cardboard

- ✓ Food boxes (i.e. cereal & Jello boxes)
- ✓ EMPTY paper towel & toilet paper rolls
- ✓ Paperboard packaging (i.e. tissue boxes etc.)
- ✓ Office paper—any color
- ✓ Shredded paper (place in clear plastic bag)
- ✓ Newspapers & inserts
- ✓ Magazines, catalogs & brochures
- ✓ Envelopes & junk mail
- ✓ Paper bags
- ✓ Phone books & other soft cover books

How To Prepare Recyclables



Remove caps or lids

- ✓ Rinse thoroughly

UNACCEPTABLE RESIDENTIAL RECYCLING ITEMS

- ✓ Broken glass
- ✓ Ceramics
- ✓ Chemical/pesticide containers
- ✓ Electronics
- ✓ Light bulbs
- ✓ Styrofoam
- ✓ Yard waste
- ✓ Window glass or mirrors

ACCEPTABLE RESIDENTIAL GARBAGE ITEMS

- ✓ Normal non-hazardous household waste
- ✓ Broken glass (safely wrapped)
- ✓ Cat litter or small animal waste (if double bagged)
- ✓ Light bulbs
- ✓ Pizza boxes
- ✓ Styrofoam
- ✓ Yard waste if no more than 50% of the trash

UNACCEPTABLE RESIDENTIAL GARBAGE ITEMS

- ✓ Ammunition, fireworks
- ✓ Ashes, hot or cold
- ✓ Barrells
- ✓ Batteries
- ✓ Dehumidifiers

- ✔ It is OK to leave on labels and neck rings
- ✔ Flatten ALL boxes/cardboard
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- ✔ Bundle all cardboard that does not fit into the recycling bin (no larger than 2'x2'x2') and tie with natural twine)
- ✔ Check weather forecast: If the forecast calls for high winds or rain, keep your recyclables inside until the following pickup if possible
- ✔ Cover loose paper with heavier containers to prevent it from blowing away
- ✔ Remove all packaging (Styrofoam, peanuts, plastic, bubble wrap, plastic liners, etc.)
- ✔ Phone books & other soft cover books



- ✔ Styrofoam
- ✔ Electronics, radio, computers, TVs, etc
- ✔ Florescent lights
- ✔ Hazardous Waste of any kind
- ✔ Infections waste
- ✔ Items containing Freon: Refrigerator, Air Conditioner, etc
- ✔ Items containing lead
- ✔ Items containing mercury
- ✔ Liquid waste of any kind
- ✔ Microwaves
- ✔ Propane tanks
- ✔ Tires
- ✔ Yard waste, grass, sod, leaves - varies by location, check Recycle Guide or call to verify.

