

**Everything** You Need To Know  
About Your Once-A-Week

# AUTOMATED GARBAGE COLLECTION SERVICE



**Customer Service**  
Telephone: 941.629.1106 or toll free 1.877.567.2974  
Hours: Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

[www.CharlotteCountyFL.com/environmentalservices/](http://www.CharlotteCountyFL.com/environmentalservices/)

# SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL SERVICE

All single-family residences and condominiums with eight or less units will be provided with the following enhanced services on your newly scheduled service day:

## New Garbage Cart Service Recycling (2 Green Bins) Yard Trimmings

Place all carts at curbside by 5:00 am on your regularly scheduled service day. Lids should be closed, and the wheels of the cart must face your home. Place your garbage carts at least 5 feet away from mailboxes, parked cars or other obstacles. As a courtesy to your neighbor, promptly remove cart after service.

Additional garbage carts are available for an additional cost. Please contact Waste Management at 941.629.1106 or toll free 1.877.567.2974, or log on to [www.CharlotteCountyFL.com/environmentalservices/](http://www.CharlotteCountyFL.com/environmentalservices/) to request additional carts if needed.

## MAXIMUM WEIGHT LIMITS

### 96 gallon carts: 250 lbs.

To avoid having an overweight cart, or causing possible damage to the cart or truck, do not place rocks, concrete, bricks or dirt in carts. All trash inside must fall out when the cart is emptied. Please do not overfill or tightly pack waste into the cart.



If the cart is overweight, the driver will attempt service and notify the resident by leaving an **“Important Notice”** tag attached to the cart. However, if we are unable to empty the cart, the cart will be tagged and marked as “overweight.” It will then be the responsibility of the resident to lighten the contents for the following week’s service.

## RESIDENT RESPONSIBILITY FOR CART

Each resident is responsible for the cleansing and security of the garbage carts and recycling bins. If the cart is damaged or destroyed, other than by normal usage, please contact Waste Management at 941.629.1106 or toll free 1.877.567.2974, or log on to [www.CharlotteCountyFL.com/environmentalservices/](http://www.CharlotteCountyFL.com/environmentalservices/) to order a replacement.

Carts are assigned to an address by a serial number that is hot-stamped on the front of the cart.

If you move, do not take the cart with you. The cart is the property of Charlotte County and it is assigned to your specific address.

# DOs & DON'Ts

**All garbage should be bagged. Do not place the following materials in your carts:**

- Hazardous Waste (any product labeled toxic, poison, corrosive, flammable, or irritant).
- Paint
- Oil
- Automotive Batteries
- Tires
- Hot Ashes
- Electronic waste (electronic equipment such as computers, TV's, computer monitors, microwave ovens)
- Infectious Waste (including used needles)
- Dead Animals

If these materials are found in the cart, they will be tagged with a warning notice and not serviced.



**DO NOT DO THIS!**



**YES! PLACE RECEPTACLES AS SHOWN.**

## RECYCLING

Each household is provided with two - 15 gallon green bins for recyclable materials:

### ***BIN #1***

- Newspapers
- Junk Mail
- Magazines
- Phone Books
- Paperboard
- 3'x3' Cardboard under the bin

### ***BIN #2***

- Plastic Containers  
*(#1 & #2 codes found on bottom of containers)*
- Steel Cans no lids
- Clear, Brown, Green Glass
- Aluminum Cans

## ***Non-Acceptable Materials for Recycling:***

### ***Hazardous Waste***

- Batteries
- Paint
- Anti-Freeze

### ***Electronic Waste:***

- Computers
- TVs
- Monitors
- Cell Phones

### ***Other non-acceptable materials:***

- Animal Waste
- Window Glass
- Diapers
- Mirrors
- Ceramics
- Clothing
- Pizza Boxes
- Tissue Paper
- Light Bulbs
- Wood
- Liquids
- Food Waste

# YARD TRIMMINGS

Place loose yard trimming material in a 45 gallon or smaller garbage can with handles and lid alongside your garbage cart and recycling bins on your regularly schedule service day. **DO NOT PLACE YOUR YARD TRIMMINGS IN PLASTIC BAGS.** Yard trimmings may also be placed in paper lawn & leaf bags or bundled and tied. Place at least 5 feet away from garbage cart or on opposite side of driveway.

## Acceptable Materials for Yard Trimmings

- Grass
- Weeds
- Green Plants
- Tree Limbs
- Wood Chips
- Dead Plants
- Garden Trimmings
- Leaves

## Non-Acceptable Materials for Yard Trimmings

- Tree Stumps
- Soil
- Dirt
- Rocks
- Concrete
- Plastic Bags
- Animal Waste
- Painted Wood
- Asphalt
- Treated Wood

# BULKY ITEM PICK-UP

Waste Management provides two no-charge curbside collections per year of unbundled yard trimmings, refuse, or bulky items (no construction and demolition debris from renovation or home improvement) from residential units per year, excluding disaster related clean-ups. Residents should notify

Waste Management at 941.629.1106 or toll free 1.877.567.2974 to request this service within 24 hours notice of your regularly scheduled service day. Each pick-up should not exceed ten (10) cubic yards.

# FURNISHINGS & APPLIANCES (WHITE GOODS)

Furniture (e.g., chairs, sofas, and/or rugs); appliances (e.g. refrigerators, ranges, washers, dryers, water heaters, and dishwashers); and electronic equipment (e.g. televisions, computers and monitors, and microwaves) will be picked up 4 times per year at no charge, and no call to Waste Management is necessary.

# USED MOTOR OIL / FILTER / BATTERIES COLLECTION

Curbside motor oil/filters and non-leaking lead acid battery collection is available on your service day. Place non-leaking vehicle lead-acid battery at the curb.

Motor oil must be placed next to your garbage cart in a one-gallon jug with screw type lid with an orange colored used oil label. Orange labels are available in retail stores that sell motoroil, local libraries, the Charlotte County Administration

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Building, Waste Management and the County Environmental & Extension Services office. Call Waste Management at 941.629.1106 or toll free 1.877.567.2974 for more information.

## CHARLOTTE COUNTY TRANSFER & RECYCLING FACILITIES

Your Household Hazardous Waste can be delivered to the Mid-County Mini-Transfer & Recycling Facility, Kenilworth Blvd., Port Charlotte and the West Charlotte Mini-Transfer & Recycling Facility, Environmental Way, Englewood.

**Hours of Operation: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM,  
Tuesday through Saturday**

**Please log on to**

**[www.CharlotteCountyFL.com/  
environmentalservices/](http://www.CharlotteCountyFL.com/environmentalservices/)**

**for more information on allowable items.**

## HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

Household Hazardous Waste is any product labeled: **toxic, poison, corrosive, flammable, combustible or irritant.**

These include many common hazardous waste items such as paint, batteries, oil, electronics and pesticides. These products, if mishandled, can be dangerous to your health and the environment, and therefore should be disposed of in a careful manner. Also, these materials should never be discarded in a sink, storm drain or in your regular trash. The above mentioned items can be taken to the two Charlotte County Mini-Transfer and Recycling facilities for proper disposal. For more information on proper handling, please contact Charlotte County Environmental & Extension Services at 941.764.4360 or Englewood

residents call 941.697.4000 ext. 4360 or log on to [www.CharlotteCountyFL.com/  
environmentalservices/](http://www.CharlotteCountyFL.com/environmentalservices/).

## TIRE RECYCLING

Charlotte County residents can recycle six (6) passenger tires per year curbside. Residents in unincorporated areas can place tires with, or without rims at the curb on their garbage / recycling / yard trimming days.

## HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Effective October 6, 2008 there will be garbage / recycling / yard trimmings collection on New Year's Day. The holidays without garbage service will be Christmas, Thanksgiving, and July 4th. If the holiday falls on a weekday, services will be delayed by one day for that week only. Your regular schedule will resume the following week. There is no interruption in service if the holiday is on Saturday or Sunday. For example: If the holiday falls on Thursday then Thursday services will be provided on Friday, and Friday services on Saturday, etc.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Contact Waste Management at 941.629.1106 or toll free 1.877.567.2974 or Charlotte County Environmental & Extension Services at 941.764.4360 for more information or Englewood residents call 941.697.4000, ext. 4360, or log on to [www.CharlotteCountyFL.com/  
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