



RESIDENTIAL REFUSE COLLECTION AND RECYCLING PROGRAMS

Summary Guide

Refuse, recycling and yard waste (seasonal) collection for single-family homes and residential buildings with three units or less is provided through the Village at no cost.

Contracted Waste Hauler:
Republic Services
Phone: 1-800-650-0303

Collection day is Friday for curbside refuse, recycling and yard waste collection.

Items may be placed at the curb on Thursday evening and must be at the curb by 6:00 a.m. on Friday. Materials will be collected between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.



REFUSE COLLECTION

- A two wheeled refuse toter is provided by Allied Waste. It is strongly encouraged that all refuse be placed inside the provided toter, however larger items may be placed outside the toter when necessary.
- Up to 2 cubic yards of refuse can be placed out for normal collection. This equates to about 2 additional cans or bags or 2 large items (about the size of a washing machine). Items may not exceed 50 pounds.
- The general rule of thumb is: **Nothing over 50 pounds and nothing over 5 feet.**
- Appliances and furniture are included on the normal days of collection. Doors must be removed from refrigerators and freezers. Electronics will not be accepted.
- Small amounts of “do-it-yourself” remodeling items, such as bathroom fixtures, cabinets or securely tied rolls of carpeting may also be set out for weekly collection (up to 2 cubic yards). Carpet rolls may not exceed 2 feet in diameter, 4 feet in length and 50 pounds in weight, and must be securely tied.

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

If you have oversized, heavy or large amounts of refuse, construction material, furniture, etc, you may contact Republic Services at 1-800-650-0303 to request a special collection at your cost.

Please note that temporary dumpsters may be stored in driveways or on private property only.

YARD WASTE COLLECTION

Curbside yard waste collections **begin the first full week in April and end with the last collection in November.**

- Items accepted as yard waste include grass clippings, leaves, small branches, and common yard brush such as garden trimmings, vines, weeds, garden plants and flowers.
- Yard waste may be set out on the regular collection day, in either two-ply wet-strength biodegradable Kraft paper bags or in plastic or galvanized trash cans with the lid left off (so that the yard waste is visible). Bags or cans may not exceed 32 gallons in size or 50 pounds in weight.
- Hard yard waste may be set out in prepared bundles, not to exceed 4 feet in length, 2 feet in diameter and not to exceed 50 pounds in weight, with no individual branches exceeding 2 inches in diameter. Bundles must be securely tied.
- Sod is not considered yard waste, and may be disposed of with regular refuse.
- Live Christmas trees will be collected on two subsequent collection days in early January. Trees must be stripped of all decorations and placed at the curb with the cut end facing the street. Trees in plastic bags will not be accepted.

Information regarding the Village’s Fall Leaf Collection Program is detailed toward the back of this publication.

CURBSIDE RECYCLING COLLECTION

A two-wheeled recycling toter is provided for **single-sort recycling**. All acceptable recyclables are to be **co-mingled** in this container.

Acceptable items include:

- Magazines, Newspapers & Junk Mail
- Office Paper (including colored paper)
- Cardboard & Chipboard
- Milk Cartons & Juice Boxes
- Plastic Bottles & Containers (no styrofoam)
- Aluminum Cans, Foil & Trays
- Steel & Tin Cans
- Empty Glass Bottles & Jars

Items that cannot be accepted include:

- Plastic Bags (recycle at Target, Jewel, etc)
- Plastic Toys & Sporting Goods
- Food Tainted Items
- Hazardous Waste Containers
- Electronics & Batteries (see below)
- CDs & DVDs

Please see the Curbside Recycling Collection flyer available at www.wdundee.org for a more detailed list of acceptable items.

Should your recycling toter suffer damage that requires replacement or repair, please contact Republic Services at 800-650-0303.

HOUSEHOLD BATTERY RECYCLING

Household batteries may be recycled at the Public Works Department at **900 Angle Tarn from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday** (excluding holidays).

Accepted battery types include A, AA, AAA, C, D and 9-volt. Please place batteries in resealable plastic bags. Please bring batteries inside to the office administrator for recycling.

RECYCLING OF ELECTRONICS & MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Please note that it is illegal in Illinois to dispose of electronics in a landfill, therefore they are not accepted for curbside disposal.

The annual Kane County Recycles Green Guide is an excellent resource for information regarding responsible disposal of a multitude of items, including electronics, medication and medical supplies, plastic shopping bags and other items that cannot be recycled or disposed of at the curb.

Please visit the below site for the most current information and recycling events:
www.countyofkane.org/Recycling.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

One free Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) pick-up per year is provided to West Dundee residents, through Curbside, Inc.

To schedule a pick-up at your home, please call 1-800-449-7587.

Acceptable HHW items include:

- Automotive fluids (oil, antifreeze, gas, etc)
- Cleaning Products
- Fluorescent bulbs (swirls) & tubes
- Oil-based Paints, Stains & Varnishes
- Pesticides & Lawn Chemicals

Items that cannot be accepted include:

- Latex Paint (dry out paint & recycle can)
- Ammunition, Fireworks & Explosives
- Biological & Medical Waste
- Fire Extinguishers & Smoke Detectors

For more information, visit
www.countyofkane.org/Recycling.

FALL LEAF COLLECTION PROGRAM

The Village administers an annual Fall Leaf Collection Program beginning in mid **October** and continuing through the end of **November**.

- Please rake leaves into the street approximately one foot from the curb.
- Be sure the pile consists of leaves only, and is free of sticks, rocks, and other debris that will damage leaf collection equipment.
- After the leaves are collected from your street, please wait a few days before placing more leaves on the street.
- The goal is to get through town once per week, depending on weather and the amount of leaves.
- Do not allow children to play in or around leaf piles in the street.
- Do not park vehicles over leaf piles.

DONATE ITEMS FOR REUSE

Keep in mind that our local thrift stores accept donations of unwanted household items and clothing.

Also, the Habitat for Humanity ReStore on Route 31 in Elgin accepts furniture and surplus or unwanted building materials such as cabinets, flooring, fixtures and more.

Donating these items not only extends their useful life and keeps them out of landfills, but also provides inexpensive alternatives to local families and individuals.