

# Recycling and Refuse Programs

Refuse services brought to you City of Bushnell  
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## Curbside Services




Household refuse and recycling services are provided at curbside on your pick up day. Refuse is picked up weekly all year long. Recycling is picked up every other week all year long.

### Refuse




Refuse is collected weekly at the curb on your regular refuse pick up day. Refuse may be contained in plastic garbage bags or in garbage cans. Filled garbage bags and cans should weigh no more than 50 lbs each. A 96-gallon roll-out cart can be rented from Waste Management making it convenient for homeowners. Call Waste Management at 800/796-9696 for information on cart rental. In addition, refuse may be bundled with twine or tape as long as it is less than 50 lbs and no longer than 5 feet in length.

Refuse should be placed at the curb by 6 a.m. on your regu-

 *Cardboard boxes are not an acceptable refuse container. They do not hold up when wet. Refuse placed in a cardboard box will not be picked up. Cardboard boxes need to be broken down for pick up either as refuse or as a recyclable. Intact boxes will not be collected.*

lar refuse pick up day. Homeowners may place refuse at the curb the night before pick up as long as it is out after 4 p.m. Remove the empty cans from the curb by midnight on your refuse pick up day.

 *Carpet, boards and other bulk items can be tied or taped to form a bundle. Remove nails or hammer down for safety.*

 *No loose hypodermic needles are allowed in household refuse.*


### Every Other Week Curbside Recycling



Co-mingle items are to be recycled in the wheeled cart provided to each household. Set the recycling container at the curb on day of service.

Below is a list of accepted recyclables:

- Glass bottles and jars — clear, brown and green—rinse, labels are ok
- Plastic containers and lids coded 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 7 —rinse, labels are ok
- Aluminum, Steel & Tin Food and beverage cans—rinse, labels are ok
- Paper products—flatten and remove plastic liners
  - Newspapers and inserts
  - Magazines, catalogs, phone books and paperback books
  - Corrugated cardboard and paperboard (collapse boxes so no larger than 2 1/2' by 4')
  - Junk mail, computer paper and copier paper—staples are ok

 *Recycle bins and wheeled carts are the property of Waste Management and must be left at the property when moving.*

Items not accepted include:

- Drinking glasses, ceramics, window glass, Pyrex, mirrors, crystal and any broken glass.
- Foam or flat plastic coded 6.
- Film plastic and plastic grocery bags.
- Wrapping paper, cardboard with waxed surfaces, paper towels and tissues.
- Hypodermic needles or diabetic pens.
- Food, clothing, disposable diapers.
- Furnace filters.
- Styrofoam

## Clean Up Days

Check with City Hall for specific dates

### Clean up days

Twice a year residents are encouraged to clean out attics, garages, basements and backyards getting rid of any large unwanted items. During these special weeks, almost anything can be placed at the curb on your regular refuse pick up day by 6 a.m. without extra charge. Break down or disassemble large cumbersome items such as play sets or antenna towers.



*There are some restrictions. Listed are specific items not accepted. If you have questions, please call 309/864-6964.*

- Scavenging items from the curb is not allowed. Fines can be assessed.
- The Clean Up Days program is funded entirely by city of Bushnell residents. Waste from businesses and out-of-town sources are prohibited. Fines can be assessed.

## Electronics recycling



The following items are prohibited for disposal in Illinois landfills and must be disposed of at an approved recycling center. See options described below for electronics recycling programs.

- Cable or satellite receiver
- Computer
- Computer monitor
- Electronic keyboard
- Electronic mouse
- Digital converter box
- DVD recorder or player
- FAX machine
- Portable digital music player
- Printer
- Scanner
- Small-scale server
- Television
- Video game console
- VCR recorder

### Residential Self Serve Drop Off

The electronics mentioned above plus small appliances (no air conditioners or large appliances) are accepted free of charge. This is a self serve program meaning staff at the drop off facility cannot unload electronics. Bring items to the Bushnell Police Complex on Route 9, Monday thru Friday from 8:00 am to 3:30 pm.

### Business Pick up

Schedule a pick up by calling the Tri-County Regional Collection facility at 309/331-4782. There is a fee for this service based on the weight of the electronics collected.



## Other Information

### Holidays

When a holiday occurs during the work week, there will be no waste service on that day. That day's pick up will take place the following day with the remainder of the week being one day behind. Holidays which affect waste pick up are: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas.



### Recycling is easier than ever!

#### Top ten recycling problems for Waste Management collection staff

Please do not place the following items in your recycling container: 1) Clothing, 2) plastic bags, 3) diapers, 4) Styrofoam (TM) - plastic coded 6, 5) pizza boxes with pizza, 6) cigarette butts, 7) plastic wrap/food wrappers, 8) unopened cans or bottles with food or drink, 9) wood/particle board and 10) yard waste/trash/electronics.

