RECYCLING DONE RIGHT

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Let's all Recycle Right.

Recycling markets are becoming increasingly strict, but you should know that Clark County is still recycling! To continue to have dependable markets and a successful recycling program, we need our community's help to recycle right.

How You Can Help:

1. **Follow the guide.** Review the recycling guide on page 2 to understand the basics. Keep this guide for reference and consider hanging it up on your refrigerator or in your garage!

2. **Use RecycleRight.** When you don't know how to dispose of an item, look it up! Use the simple search function of **RecycleRight** to find disposal options for hundreds of items. Download the free app or visit wcnorthwest.com to access this valuable resource.

3. **Avoid common mistakes.** Items that are on the NO list cannot be recycled at the curb. You are doing the right thing when you put these items in the garbage or follow other disposal options using **RecycleRight.** Below is a list of commonly misunderstood items that do not belong in the recycle cart. Do your part by avoiding these recycling blunders!

Top 5 Items to Keep Out of Your Blue Cart

Food

Make sure that food containers are clean and dry before recycling them. Food-soiled paper products are not accepted.

Clothing, Textiles

Fabric items can be placed in the garbage or use **RecycleRight** to find reuse and recycling options.

Glass

Glass cannot be recycled in the blue cart. Recycle glass bottles and jars correctly by placing them in the glass bin.

Plastic Bags, Film, Wrap

These items get caught in the sorting machines. Put them in the garbage or recycle these clean, dry items at select retail locations. To learn more, visit PlasticFilmRecycling.org.

Wood Products

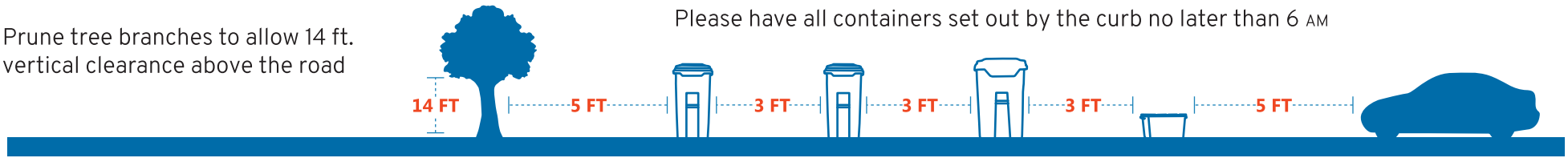
Wood products and lumber cannot be placed in your blue cart. Instead, place items in the garbage or use **RecycleRight** to find reuse and recycling options.

Curbside Service Guidelines

Position, Space, Time

Prune tree branches to allow 14 ft. vertical clearance above the road

Please have all containers set out by the curb no later than 6 AM



Batteries, Motor Oil, Antifreeze

We accept batteries, motor oil, and antifreeze at the curb on your recycle service day!

Place batteries in a sealed, clear plastic bag on top of the recycle cart. Place motor oil or antifreeze in a clear, one-gallon plastic jug with a screw-top lid next to the recycle cart. DO NOT mix motor oil or antifreeze with each other or with any other material.

These services are not available for businesses. If you live in an apartment, contact your property manager for instructions at your location.

RecycleRight

Unsure about how to dispose of a specific item? Do you ever forget to set out your carts? Visit wcnorthwest.com or download the FREE **RecycleRight** app to access valuable resources:

- View, download, and print your schedule
- Sign up for in-app, email, phone, or Twitter reminders and alerts
- Look up how to dispose of specific items

Contact Information

When you need information about garbage, recycling, or yard debris, use local resources. General information about waste may not hold true for our community.

We are Waste Connections, your local waste hauler. Please contact us with any questions about waste or service in Clark County.

Waste Connections of Washington, Inc.

- customerhelp@wcnx.org
- wcnorthwest.com
- 360-892-5370

Clark County Public Health – Solid Waste & Environmental Outreach

- clarkgreenneighbors.org
- 564-397-7352

City of Vancouver Solid Waste Services

- cityofvancouver.us/solidwaste
- 360-487-7160

City of Camas

- cityofcamas.us/pwgarbage
- 360-834-2462

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Can I recycle it? Ask **RecycleRight** at wcnorthwest.com

- Items should be **empty**, **clean**, & **dry**
- Place items loose in cart, do not bag
- No sharp or heavy objects

RECYCLE CART

PLASTIC

Bottles

Jugs

Tubs

NO

Hoses, Stretchy Plastic, Chemicals, Plastic Clamshells

PAPER

Paper

Cardboard Cartons

Paperboard

NO

To-Go Containers, Food-Soiled Paper, Paper Towels

METAL

Aluminum, Steel, Tin Cans

Aerosol Cans

Aluminum Trays

NO

Propane Tanks, Auto Parts, Sharp Items

GLASS BIN

GLASS

Jars

Bottles

NO

Cookware, Dishware, Plate Glass

Bulky Items

For items like couches and mattresses that are too large for your containers, contact us or your property manager to schedule a low-cost bulky item pickup.

Holiday Service

There will be **no service on Thanksgiving, Christmas, or New Year's Day**. If your service day is on or after one of these holidays, your service will be **delayed by one day**. For example, Tuesday customers will be serviced on Wednesday and Friday customers will be serviced on Saturday.

Sign up for service alerts with RecycleRight through the free app or wcnorthwest.com.

If you receive your bill from the City of Camas, please check the City of Camas website for any service changes.

Postponed/Canceled Service

If road closures or unsafe driving conditions postpone or cancel your service, you will be notified by an automated phone call. When service is canceled, we will reschedule or pick up double on your next service day. Here's what you can do to prepare:

- Make sure that we have your current phone number. Please contact us to make any updates to your account.
- Sign up for service alerts with RecycleRight through the free app or wcnorthwest.com.
- Consider having an extra lidded container on hand for recycling and garbage in case service is postponed.

Please note: Our automated phone message cannot reach you if your phone number is on the National Do Not Call Registry.

Get Involved!

Do you care about recycling, reducing waste, and making Clark County a more sustainable place to live? Get involved in these opportunities:

Recycling 101 is a fun, free class that goes beyond this publication to explain recycling. Learn more from City of Vancouver Solid Waste Services at 360-487-7160 or visit cityofvancouver.us/RecycleU.

Clark Green Neighbors assists citizens with developing more sustainable lifestyles and building a strong environmental community. Visit ClarkGreenNeighbors.org to learn more.

Master Composter Recycler educates the community about easy ways to reduce waste, recycle more, and re-think our impact on natural resources. To learn more, please visit ClarkCountyComposts.org.

Clark County Repair Café, led by Columbia Springs, offers free community events where skilled "fixers" lend their skills to residents who bring in their broken items for repair. To learn more about these events, find out what to bring, or volunteer your skills, visit RepairClarkCounty.org.

Clark County Green Schools works with all schools in their sustainability efforts to encourage environmental leadership and empower students to implement change in their schools. To learn more, visit ClarkGreenSchools.org.

Clark County Green Business offers assistance and tools for resource conservation and environmental initiatives at your workplace. Visit ClarkGreenBiz.com to learn more.

Turn Yard Debris into Compost

Don't send your yard debris to the landfill! Call us to learn more about this optional program.

Yard debris customers may set out up to 96 gallons of material.

Please don't overfill carts! For an additional charge, extra yard debris may be placed at the curb in cans, bags, and/or bundles.

Accepted:

- garden trimmings
- grass clippings
- branches*
- leaves
- weeds
- brush

Please No:

- food
- paper
- garbage
- pet waste
- lumber
- rocks
- dirt

* *Branches must be under 4 in. wide and 5 ft. long*

Prevent street flooding this fall by putting leaves in your yard debris cart.
No cart? No problem! Clip this coupon for free leaf disposal at four convenient drop-off locations.

Free Leaf Disposal COUPON

Prevent street flooding – NEVER blow or place leaves in the street.
Use this coupon for free leaf disposal from:

For Vancouver and Clark County residents only

October 1 - December 31, 2018

DISPOSAL DROP-OFF LOCATIONS:

H & H Wood Recyclers
8401 NE 117th Ave
Vancouver, WA
360-892-2805

McFarlane's Bark
8806 NE 117th Ave
Vancouver, WA
360-892-6125

West Van Materials Recovery Center
6601 NW Old Lower River Rd
Vancouver, WA | 360-737-1727

Triangle Resources
612 SE Union St
Camas, WA
360-834-7253

This coupon must be presented at the drop-off site and is for **LEAVES ONLY**, up to 5 cubic yards. No trimmings, yard debris or mixed loads with this coupon; these items will be charged at the regular price. Leaves must be emptied from plastic or kraft bags.

Sponsored by:

City of Vancouver Washington Public Works

Clark County, Washington

To redeem coupon, complete the following information:

Name: _____

Street Address: _____ Zip: _____

City of Vancouver residents: Funding for your participation in this program is provided through your garbage rates.
Clark County residents: Funding for participation is provided by Clark County Public Works.

Transfer Stations

Clark County has three convenient *transfer stations*, facilities where you can drop off garbage, yard debris, recycling, household hazardous waste, and more. For more information, visit ColumbiaResourceCompany.com.

Before dropping something off at a transfer station, look up alternatives to disposal by visiting wcnorthwest.com or downloading the FREE **RecycleRight** app.

If you are using a truck or trailer to haul waste to a transfer station, be sure to secure your load using a tarp, rope, and/or bungee cords.

Locations

Central Transfer & Recycling Center
11034 NE 117th Ave 360-256-8482
Mon – Fri 6 AM to 6 PM Sat & Sun 8 AM to 4 PM
HHW: Fri - Sun 8 AM to 4 PM

West Vancouver Materials Recovery Center
6601 NW Old Lower River Rd 360-737-1727
Mon – Fri 6 AM to 6 PM Sat 8 AM to 4 PM
HHW: Fri & Sat 8 AM to 4 PM

Washougal Transfer Station
4020 S Grant St 360-835-2500
Wed & Fri 7 AM to 5 PM Sat 8 AM to 4 PM
HHW: First & Third Saturdays 8 AM to 4 PM

Electronics

Many electronics contain toxins and should not go in the garbage or recycling. Clark County transfer stations accept the following electronics for free: TVs, computers, laptops, monitors, tablets, portable DVD players, and e-readers. Many other locations around Clark County also accept these electronics. For more information, visit ECycleWashington.org.

Household Hazardous Waste

Many common household products contain chemicals that can be hazardous to health and the environment if disposed incorrectly. Products such as pesticides, paints/solvents, batteries, household cleaners, motor oil, and antifreeze are considered household hazardous waste (HHW), and require special care during use and disposal—never dispose of such substances in the garbage or recycling or pour them down the sink or stormdrain. Clark County residents should carefully bring such waste to a transfer station during HHW hours.

Block Foam

Do not place foam in your recycle cart. Block foam is only accepted at Central Transfer & Recycling Center with the following conditions:

- Residential block foam can be recycled for free; commercial block foam is charged a nominal fee
- Must be clean, white, #6 Styrofoam that breaks with a snap, does not bend
- Block or sheet foam used for packaging or food trays such as to-go boxes, cups and egg cartons
- No food residue, stickers, tape, packing peanuts or popcorn, or other plastics or foams

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Your 2018-2019 guide to recycling in Clark County.

- **FREE** Leaf Coupon
- Updated Recycle Guide
- Are you recycling right?

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