



Public Works Department  
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## Curbside Garbage Collection Information

We welcome you as a customer of the City of Sevierville Garbage Service!

Being our customer includes the following services:

- Brush collection at least once a month (no particular scheduled day)
- Loose leaf collection during the fall (specific dates to be advertised). No particular scheduled day.
- Household bulk rubbish (junk & cardboard boxes) – your area is collected on the following weeks:

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Week of each month beginning on Monday and continuing until scheduled area is completed.

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Week of each month beginning on Monday and continuing until scheduled area is completed.

Items/material for collection must be at curbside by 6 a.m. Monday morning on week of pick up.

**Fees: Residential curbside garbage collection fee: \$15.00 per month.**

**Commercial curbside garbage collection fee: \$25.00 per month.**

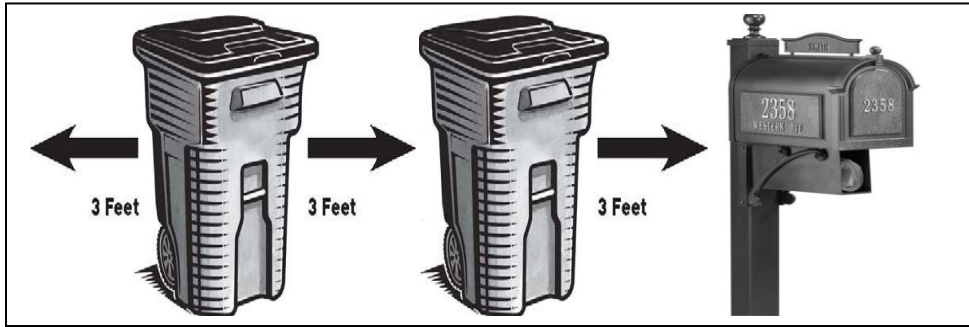
**Your household garbage collection day (95-gallon container) will be:**

Tuesday       Wednesday       Thursday       Friday

The 95-gallon container is for you to use but remains the property of the City of Sevierville. Your container's serial number has been recorded with your address, so please take care of it and do not take it with you if you move! Each household receives one container, which has a capacity of 95 gallons. Additional containers may be obtained by paying a one-time, non-refundable fee of \$100.00 per container – **with the understanding that the container remains the property of the City.** There will be an additional \$15.00 (\$25.00 for commercial curbside) charge per month for each additional container you receive. For additional containers contact Sevierville Public Works.

**You can help us by following the 95-gallon container guidelines listed below:**

- **Containers must be placed at least three (3-5) feet away from any other object (i.e., tree, mailbox, another container, etc.). Due to the possibility of damaging your property your container may not be emptied if it is placed too close to another item, allow enough room between containers and other objects for the grabber on the automated arm to grab the container.**



- Place your garbage container at the curbside by **6:00AM** on your scheduled collection day. Due to equipment breakdowns pickup times may change without notice. Containers should be removed from curbside by 7:00 p.m. after collection. A replacement fee (\$100.00) will be charged for damaged or stolen containers.
- Place your garbage container at curbside with the handles facing **away** from the street.
- **Bag** all garbage prior to placing it in the container – this will prevent loose garbage from littering your property and city streets.
- Remember, only garbage **INSIDE** the approved City container will be collected and **the lid on the container must be able to close. If your container is overflowing or garbage is placed on top of the container, it may fall off when the truck empties it and it will be your responsibility to clean it up OR the container may not be emptied at all. Remember, the driver is the only person on the automated truck and has a route that he must complete by the end of the shift.**

**Garbage containers must be at curbside by 6 a.m. on day of collection, but no earlier than 6 p.m. the day before.**

**Junk should be placed at curbside by 6 a.m. Monday on week of scheduled collection, but no earlier than the Sunday prior to scheduled collection.**

## What Happens to My Garbage?

The City of Sevierville hauls all household garbage to the composting facility at Sevier Solid Waste, Inc. (SSWI) located on Ridge Rd. where up to 70% of all garbage is composted and only residuals (plastic, metal, etc.) go into the landfill. Once the garbage is dumped on the tipping floor the process of composting begins. A major portion of this process involves the garbage moving through huge rotary digesters. When items other than household garbage end up in the digesters there is a potential for mechanical breakdown. When this happens, it results in thousands of dollars in repair cost and man hours to both SSWI and local governments.

**For this reason, we ask that you not place the following items in your 95-gallon garbage container:**

- Large plastic containers, rugs, carpet/padding, rope, bungee cords, water hose, pots/pans, flowerpots, small/large appliances, large plastic sheeting/ tarps/pool liners, furniture, etc. These items should be placed at curbside for bulk/junk collection.
- TV's/computers/electronics – collected separately in a different truck, call Public Works for disposal.
- Shrubbery/tree trimmings, stumps, large pieces of wood - collected separately in a different truck.
- Paint, chemicals, flammable liquids, solids, or gases such as gasoline, used oil, rechargeable batteries, benzene, alcohol, propane/Freon/helium cylinders, or other similar hazardous materials.
- Hot materials such as ashes or cinders. Please wait until they cool.
- Any infectious waste or biomedical waste. Call your medical supplier for disposal.
- Human or animal waste, unless it is properly placed in a secure bag before being placed in the container.
- Large automobile parts, car batteries, and tires.

## What can I do with things the City will not pick up?

**Tires:** Tires without rims can be taken to Sevier County Co-Op, Five Oaks Tire, or Goforth Tire. It is recommended you call before going to make sure there is room on their trailer for the tires you have.

**Paint:** Add mulch, kitty litter, shredded paper, Quickrete, etc. and mix to the consistency of oatmeal. Leave the top off and place at curbside for pickup with junk – cans with lids on them may not be picked up. You may also take paint to the Household Hazardous Waste Day (see information below).

**Chemicals:** Hold until the next Household Hazardous Waste Day (see information below).

**Oil:** Sevier County Convenience Centers and local auto part stores.

**Rechargeable Batteries:** Lead, nickel-cadmium, nickel-metal-hydride, primary lithium, lithium-ion, etc. These batteries may be recycled at your local Lowes Home Improvement Store or held until next Household Hazardous Waste Day (see information below).

**Household Hazardous Waste:** Chemicals, paint, oil, antifreeze, propane tanks, etc. Call Sevierville Public Works to find out where you can dispose of household chemicals (865-429-4567).

## YARD WASTE AND JUNK GUIDELINES

Residential and commercial garbage collection fees include the collection of wastes resulting from the normal and routine maintenance of your yard as well as bulk rubbish that you accumulate from time to time. Please use the following guidelines when placing yard waste or junk at the street for pickup:

- Place your waste at the edge of a street (NOT IN THE STREET) or public right-of-way easily accessible with our collection equipment (we use a large truck with a claw hook).
- Make sure it is not blocking a sidewalk or roadway; there are no utility lines overhead; it is not on top of water meters or gas valves; against utility poles, guy wires, fences, or in a place that may interfere with overhead power lines or tree branches.
- Do not park vehicles in front or near items that need to be picked up.
- Brush will need to be easily manageable lengths of no more than 8', less than 18" in diameter and stacked neatly.

**Keep in mind that anything placed at the curb (other than the 95-gal City container) may be recognized as junk, ready for collection. Please do not place anything at the curb that you do not want collected and hauled off.**

**These services are provided for items coming from the address with solid waste service only. Items hauled in from other locations will not be picked up.**

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### REMODELING OR DOING MAJOR SPRING CLEANING?

Why not rent a container to throw construction materials or debris in? The City now has fourteen foot, open-top, roll-off containers that residential customers can rent.

**How it works:** Locate an area on the property to put the container. Keep in mind that the truck dropping off and picking up the container needs room to maneuver. Call the Public Works Facility (429-4567) to arrange for the container to be delivered. Arrange for billing (usually through your water account). Once the container is full and you're ready for it to be emptied, call the Public Works Department to schedule a pickup. Always make sure that nothing is blocking the container when the truck comes to pick it up.

**Cost for a 30-Day Rental:**

Current landfill tipping fee and a \$150.00 haul fee (Total cost is approximately \$230 per haul).

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If you have any questions, please contact:

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