

# **Garbage and Recycling**

**Garbage will be picked up every Thursday, and recycling will be picked up every other Thursday.**

**If collection day falls on a holiday, collection service will then take place on the next business day following the holiday. Bi-weekly recycling schedules will be available at City Hall.**

**All solid waste must be placed curbside in contractor provided carts by 7:00 a.m. on scheduled collection days no sooner than 24 hours prior to that day.**

**Emptied carts must be removed within 24 hours after collection day.**

**CARTS MUST FACE THE STREET AS INDICATED BY ARROW ON THE CART. THE CART MUST BE FULLY ACCESSIBLE AND CANNOT BE BLOCKED BY PARKED VEHICLES.**

**NO SOLID WASTE (INCLUDING YARD WASTE) GENERATED FROM OUTSIDE THE CITY OF JUNEAU IS ALLOWED TO BE BROUGHT INTO THE CITY.**

**VIOLATORS ARE SUBJECT TO PROSECUTION AND FINES.**

## BASIC SOLID WASTE RULES:

### A. Garbage and Animal Waste:

Animal wastes shall be placed in a **SEALED** plastic bag and then placed in cart.

### B. Construction Waste:

1. Material generated from **residents performing their own work** will be collected provided such materials are able to be placed in the cart and do not prevent the lid from being substantially closed.
2. Materials **NOT** collected include, but are not limited to, rough metals, rain gutters or spouts, concrete, rocks and bricks, etc.
3. **NO** construction waste of any kind will be collected as a result of contractors performing the work.

### C. Miscellaneous Information:

1. **Bulk Waste:** Items such as furniture, rolled carpeting (8 ft. maximum length), whole fixtures such as wood windows, non-metal doors, wood fence sections and steps will be collected curbside provided they can be handled by two persons without risk of injury. **Bulk collection day will be the third Thursday of September.** If materials are broken down into small pieces, they will be considered construction material and must be in the cart collected weekly. No bundled or loose piles of building materials are allowed.  
**Bulk waste will also be accepted at the city dumpster at the City Garage, 555 S. Mill Street, during certain days and times (See the following City Dumpster Procedures.)**
2. **NO** tires are collected curbside.
3. **NO white goods or other metals** will be collected curbside. White goods and metals include stoves, dishwashers, water heaters, furnaces, boilers, humidifiers, garbage compactors, washers and dryers, bedsprings, sheet metal, pipe, etc.
4. **NO** lead acid batteries are collected.
5. **NO** waste engine oil collected curbside.
6. **NO** engine anti-freeze will be collected.
7. **Fruits and vegetables, including pumpkins**, are considered garbage and must be containerized in collection cart, and not placed in a loose manner for collection.

### D. PAINT

1. Cans must have covers removed and paint in a dry or hardened state and placed in cart.

### RULES VIOLATIONS NOTICE

Crews will **RED** tag violations of the above rules. Residents **MUST** remove the tagged material from curbside within 24 hours and correct the violation before the next collection day.

**Residents experiencing any service problems should call:  
Waste Management at 1-866-909-4458.**



## **CITY DUMPSTER HOURS AT CITY GARAGE**

**YEAR ROUND:** 1ST AND 3RD SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH FROM 8:00 AM UNTIL DUMPSTERS ARE FULL OR 12:00 PM. **APRIL 1ST TO THE 4TH WEDNESDAY IN OCTOBER:** 2ND & 4TH WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH FROM 3:00 PM UNTIL DUMPSTERS ARE FULL OR 5:00 PM.

**RESIDENTS WILL BE REQUIRED TO SHOW PROOF OF RESIDENCY WHEN DROPPING OFF ITEMS AT THE CITY DUMPSTER!!!**

**ONLY ONE (1) VISIT PER CITY OF JUNEAU RESIDENT WILL BE ALLOWED AT THE CITY DUMPSTER WHEN IT IS OPEN.**

THE DUMPSTERS ARE FOR LARGE ITEMS ONLY. RECYCLABLE METALS SUCH AS STOVES AND WATER HEATERS ARE ACCEPTED, ALSO LARGE CARDBOARD IS ACCEPTED.

**ITEMS THAT ARE NOT ACCEPTED:** INCLUDE WASTE MATERIALS FROM REMODELING PROJECTS AND ANY APPLIANCE THAT CONTAINS FREON. THESE APPLIANCES INCLUDE REFRIGERATORS, FREEZERS, AIR CONDITIONERS, AND DEHUMIDIFIERS. REGULAR GARBAGE AND RECYCLABLES ARE ALSO NOT ACCEPTED AT THE CITY DUMPSTER.

## **TIRES**

Tires are also accepted, but a fee of \$5.00 per tire will be charged. Residents can prepay this fee at City Hall before dropping the tires off at the dumpster. They will then be given a receipt of proof of payment, which must then be shown to the attendant at the dumpster when dropping off the tire(s). If a resident does not prepay the fee, a "Tire Recycling Fee" form will be completed by the attendant at the dumpster showing the fee due. This fee must be paid at City Hall within seven (7) days, or the City will invoice the resident and add a 4.5% administrative fee.

### **FOR DISPOSAL OF REMODELING PROJECT WASTES:**

CALL a local solid waste contractor to get a dumpster. Residents can call Waste Management at 1-866-909-4458 or google for other solid waste contractors.

## **OPTIONS FOR DISPOSAL OF REFRIGERATORS, ETC.,**

- IF IT WORKS, FIND SOMEONE WHO WANTS IT. A thrift store or charity may offer pickup services.
- ASK RETAILER TO REMOVE and recycle it when you buy a new one.
- CALL A SCRAP METAL RETAILER OR A LOCAL SALVAGE COMPANY.

## **MOTOR OIL**

DRAIN OIL FROM VEHICLE. PUT IN A COVERED CONTAINER that is clean or has been used only for motor oil.

TAKE TO CITY COLLECTION TANK at the City Garage. Oil will be accepted during city dumpster hours. Oil will also be accepted during normal hours of operation. Operation hours of the City Garage are 6:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

NEVER MIX used motor oil with anti-freeze, gas, paint, paint thinners, pesticides, solvents, or other liquids.

## **VEHICLE BATTERIES**

Lead-acid vehicle batteries contain highly corrosive sulfuric acid that burns skin and puts holes in clothing and most everything else.

CHECK FLUID CELL CAPS (on top of battery); be sure they are tightly sealed. IDENTIFY TERMINALS. On some batteries, the terminals stick up on top. Other batteries have terminals that are recessed, one on each side.

REMOVE CAUTIOUSLY. Avoid touching both terminals at the same time.

PLACE ON THICK, LEAK-PROOF PLASTIC. Even concrete needs protection.

TAKE TO RETAILER. State law requires retailers of lead-acid vehicle batteries to accept up to two used batteries per day at no charge from anyone who purchases a battery from them or for a small fee from anyone else.

DO NOT put in areas accessible to children and pets.

DO NOT allow to freeze, crack, and leak sulfuric acid. If battery fluid leaks or spills, neutralize it immediately with baking soda or lime.

## **YARD WASTE**



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A spreader is located on the west side of the garage and is always open. The leaf site is located at the end of Industrial Road and is also always open.

### **Compost materials accepted:**

- Small plant roots such as flower and garden plant roots.
- Organic yard waste such as grass clippings, leaves, garden plants, flowering plants, and straw.

Compost material must be emptied into the spreader or on the leaf site and garbage bags to be taken home. **DO NOT LEAVE YARD WASTE IN GARBAGE BAGS!!!**

## **BRUSH PICKUP**

Brush pickup will be the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays of the month. Brush pickup will be delayed from November 1<sup>st</sup> to April 15<sup>th</sup>. In the exception of Christmas trees. Christmas trees must be free of lights, ornaments, screws and nails.

**DO NOT TAKE BRUSH TO SPREADER!!!**

**IF YOU TAKE BRUSH TO THE LEAF SITE, MAKE SURE IT GOES ON THE BRUSH PILE!!!**

**MAKE SURE YARD WASTE MAKES IT ON THE COMPOST PILE!!!**

### **COMPOST:**

“COMPOST” is organic matter recycled nature’s way. The finished product is a crumbly humus, a soil building substance rich in all the basic nutrients essential to plants.

PILE organics – leaves, grass clippings, small sticks, wood chips, kitchen vegetable scraps, and coffee grounds – as they accumulate.

WATER to keep pile as moist as a wrung-out sponge.

TURN outside materials to center every five or six weeks.

REMOVE HUMUS as you turn. Full decomposition takes about 18 months.

DO NOT COMPOST WEEDS, because this method will not get them hot enough to destroy seeds.

DO NOT COMPOST: meat, bones, fat, dairy products, oils, whole branches and logs, diseased plants, treated wood, human or pet wastes, or ashes from burning anything other than unpainted, untreated wood. Keep pine needles out of the compost pile; they are very slow to decompose.

HOW TO USE FINISHED COMPOST: Toss thinly on the lawn. Spread 3 to 6 inches thick and then till into planting beds or into the yard before seeding. Spread 1 inch thick on the soil under flowers, shrubs, and trees.

## **“HOW TO” RECYCLING SHEET**

<b>Materials To Be Commingled</b>	<b>What Do I Recycle?</b>	<b>Cleaning and Preparation</b>	<b>What Can't Be Recycled</b>
GLASS	Bottles and Jars Green, Clear, & Brown	Remove Lids and Discard in Trash Rinse Clean	Windows, Mirrors, Lightbulbs, and Tubes, Pyrex and Dishes, Drinking Glasses, Chemical Bottles, Medical Containers, Laboratory Glass
ALUMINUM	Cans ONLY	Flattening Optional	Foil and Bottle Caps
TIN & STEEL CANS	Food Cans ONLY	Flattening Optional Rinse Clean	Cardboard Sides Juice Cans, Aerosol Cans, Paint Cans
PLASTIC	Milk, Soda and Detergent Bottles, Other Bottles Marked #1 PETE or #2 HDPE	Remove and Discard Lids in Trash Rinse Clean	Styrofoam, Plastic Cups and Film, Hard Plastic (Toys, Pails, etc.) Medicine Bottles & Syringes
<b>Newspapers, Magazines, Office Paper and Cardboard ONLY</b>	<b>What can be recycled?</b> Newspapers, Magazines, Cardboard Card Stock, Office, Paper, Books, Envelopes, Paper  Other Examples: Brown Paper Tapes, Computer Printouts, File Folders-Manila, Glued Pads, Tablets, Phones Books, Post-It Notes, and ANY Junk Mail.		<b>WHAT <u>can't</u> be recycled?</b> Bathroom Waste Paper (towels, toilet paper). Cellophane, Cloth, Cork, Foil, Polystyrene Styrofoam, anything Waxed, Candy Wrappers, Napkins, Paper Cups, Styrofoam Cups, Styrofoam Packaging, Paper Food Containers, Photographs, Fiberboard, Labels and Label Backings, Carbon Paper

### Recycling Rules:

**All Recycling items** listed above **will be collected every other week** (calendars available at City Hall) and include glass, aluminum, tin and steel cans, plastics, cardboard, paper, and magazines, which shall be mixed together in contractor provided recycling cart ONLY.

All other materials shall be placed in the non-recyclable (garbage) cart ONLY. If you have any questions, please call the City's Contractor, Waste Management **1-866-909-4458**

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## RECYCLING AND WASTE REDUCTION EFFORTS

**Recycling** is a huge step towards conserving natural resources and landfill space. However, we need to do more to help our environment. We need to think of recycling as one part of a bigger picture – waste reduction.

### WHAT IS WASTE REDUCTION?

It is a balance created by:

- **Reducing** wastes and toxins generated in manufacturing and shipping products, as well as purchasing and use by consumers.
- **Diverting** products and packaging out of the waste stream by **reusing** and **recycling**.
- **Responding** with a change in buying habits.

### HINTS ON WAYS TO REDUCE WASTE & RECYCLE:

- Always use both side of paper (think “scrap paper”).
- Recycle when you’re away from home too.
- Get your kids involved, they’ll think it’s fun!
- Buy in bulk.
- Buy concentrates.
- Buy products in larger sized packages.
- Buy only what you can use up or share.
- Remember, convenience products often cost and waste more!
- Reuse products and containers as much as possible.

### WHY SHOULD WE PRACTICE WASTE REDUCTION & RECYCLING?

1. Conserve energy.
2. Save natural resources.
3. Prolong the life span of landfills.
4. Reduce pollution.
5. Help our economy by creating jobs.
6. Reduce disposal costs of garbage.
7. Save money.
8. IT’S THE LAW!!!

