



Garbage, Recycling, Metal and Bulk F.A.Q.



Q: How do I dispose of paint?

A: If it's latex paint, you dry it up completely, throw it in a garbage bag and place it out with regular garbage. For oil based paints, please see the schedule for the recycling events for Household Hazardous Waste on the borough website, on the bottom of the Recycling and Sanitation page.

Q: How do I dispose of electronic items such as TV's, computers, printers and radios?

A: Items like these and other electronics will not be collected curbside. They need to be disposed of at a computer and electronics recycling event. The schedule of these events and listing of accepted items can be found on the borough website towards the bottom of the Recycling and Sanitation page.

Q: Will they collect construction material, railroad ties, concrete, bricks or stones with the garbage?

A: No, these items aren't collected curbside and must be disposed of privately.

Q: Is there a limit as to how much garbage can I place out per collection?

A: Yes! Every resident is allowed to put out up to 5 cans OR bags of garbage and 1 large item, such as a mattress or piece of furniture, as long as it's less than 7 feet in length.

Q: What is a bulk collection?

A: A bulk collection is the amount of items, not the size of a single item. This type of collection is only for those moving in or out and is a one-time service that needs to be scheduled (973-839-3000 ext. 7100). There is still a limit which is 7 cans OR bags and 2-3 larger items (depending on their size). If you are not moving, this option is not available so you must stick to the regular garbage collection limits.

Q: How do I get rid of a single large item such as a couch, mattress or dresser?

A: You are allowed to put out 1 large, non-metal, item out per collection. It must be less than 7 feet in length so it can fit into the truck. This doesn't need to be scheduled. (Couch pullout bed frames do)

Q: How do I get rid of anything that's made mostly out of metal?

A: Any items, small or large that are made of 80% or more metal should be scheduled for metal collection. This can be done by calling 973-839-3000 ext. 7100. Listen to the message for all of the details and make sure to leave your name, phone number, address and items. Return calls are not usually made unless we have questions. *Electronic items, such as TV's and computers aren't metal collection.

Q: Can I throw out a sink, toilet or bathtub with regular garbage collection?

A: Yes! If they aren't metal, they will collect one at a time, w/ regular garbage. Tub must be cut in half!