

GARBAGE COLLECTION

Residential garbage is collected weekly; Wednesday on the North side of town, Thursday on the South side of town. Garbage must be in a standard waterproof trash container or in a plastic bag securely tied or sealed. No container or bag may exceed 33 gallons or 40 pounds. Each container must have a Mt. Vernon tag attached according to the directions on the back of the tag. Tags are \$3.00 each and are available at City Hall, Ace Hardware, and Gary's Foods. Low-income discount forms are available at City Hall. Garbage and recyclables are picked up with the same truck. It may seem that the recyclables are being mixed in with the trash, but if you take a close look at the rear of the truck there are separate compartments for garbage and for the recyclables.

NO TIRES, HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES, NEEDLES OR SYRINGES, DEAD ANIMALS, OR LEAD ACID BATTERIES.

Commercial garbage is collected on Monday, Tuesday or Saturday, depending on the route schedule. They may have a different arrangement depending on the business. If you are unsure of your collection day(s), contact Wapsi Waste. It is the responsibility of the business owner to ensure all garbage is free of obstacles hindering collection. All snow blocking a container needs to be removed prior to collection day. The City cannot guarantee what time of day or day of the week for commercial collection. If there are changes in the day of the collection, Wapsi Waste shall notify each commercial account.

Wapsi Waste 1-319-462-4271

BULKY ITEM COLLECTION

Contact **City Hall** at 319-895-8742 for *bulky item pick ups and they will tell you the required amount of tags to apply and what day to put out.

MORE RECYCLING OPTIONS

Hazardous Waste

Solid waste Agency 373-4771

Quality Used Furniture/Clothing

Goodwill 393-3434

Salvation Army 365-1491

Scrap metal/auto batteries

Solid Waste Agency 377-5290

Marion Iron 377-1527

Bulky Appliances

Salvation Army 365-1491

Solid Waste Agency 377-5290

(fee charged)

Styrofoam Peanuts

PAK MAIL 373-5595

Tires

Solid Waste Agency 377-5290

(fee charged)

Used Motor Oil

Solid Waste Agency 377-5290

*Bulky items are appliances, furniture, or any item you would not consider regular garbage. Electronics are only picked up one day a month. Different items are picked up on different days.

CITY OF MOUNT VERNON

RECYCLING,

GARBAGE,

YARD WASTE,

BRUSH,

LEAF,

& BULKY ITEM



For questions please call:

Mt. Vernon City Hall 895-8742

Waste Management 1-800-542-8392

RECYCLING COLLECTION

30 pound limit on each recycling bin. Glass and batteries must be in a separate container. Do not place recyclables in a plastic bag.

PAPER PRODUCTS

Items accepted

Newspaper-any papers that come with newspapers. Place loose in the recycling container.



Magazines

Chipboard-brown or gray when torn, including cereal, cracker and tissue boxes, toilet paper and paper towel cores.

Mixed paper-white, colored, NCR, laser printer, fax, photocopy, legal pad, note and computer papers, post-its, call slips, file folders, envelopes, junk mail including glossies, paper or envelopes with gummed labels, greeting cards, wrapping paper, paper egg cartons, paper labels, phone books. **FOR SECURITY REASONS, PLEASE REMOVE ANY ITEMS THAT MAY CONTAIN PERSONAL INFORMATION.**

Cardboard

Cardboard not to exceed 2' wide, 2' high, 5' long. Please flatten.

Items not accepted

Waxed paper, paper towels, paper coffee cups, carbon paper, brown craft envelopes, tissue paper, food and tobacco wrappers, refrigerated packages, (frozen food) or any packages that are white when torn, disposable diapers.

[Recycling bins may be purchased at City Hall for \\$12.50. Any hard sided container can be used in lieu of our](#)

METAL CANS, ALUMINUM FOIL & PIE PLATES



Do not completely remove lid. Fold lid inside of can. All metal food and beverage containers (white-lined cans are okay) are acceptable. Aluminum foil and pie plates are accepted. Rinse very clean.

Items not accepted

Large metals need to be taken to Bluestem Site #2 or contact local scrap dealers.

PLASTICS



Items accepted

All numbers 1-5,7. Number 6 contains Styrofoam and is not recyclable. All plastics must have a recycling number (found on the bottom). Please rinse thoroughly. Flatten when possible to save space.

Items not accepted

Styrofoam or plastic bags, caps or lids without a recycling number, motor oil containers.

GLASS

Place in a separate container on top or beside your recycling bin.



Items accepted

Clear, green or brown glass rinsed clean with lids removed.

Items not accepted

Broken glass, drinking glasses, ceramics, light bulbs, mirrors or Pyrex glass.

HOUSEHOLD BATTERIES



Items accepted

Household dry cell batteries and button batteries from watches, hearing aids and smoke alarms are accepted. Place in a separate container on top or beside your recycling bin.

Items not accepted

Automotive batteries

YARD WASTE COLLECTION

Weekly pick up begins March 15th and runs through November 20th. Yard waste must be placed in a rigid container that is no larger than 33 gallons and weigh no more than 40 pounds. All containers require a Mt. Vernon waste collection tag. Place the container curbside on your regularly scheduled trash day in a location at least ten feet from your garbage container. Small twigs and brush clippings are considered yard waste.

BRUSH COLLECTION

Collected the 4th Monday of the month, March through November. Must be stacked neatly and placed parallel to the curb. Stacks can be no larger than 4 feet wide x 4 feet tall. Logs can not exceed 6" in diameter, cannot be intermingled with garbage, yard waste. Construction materials will not be picked up. Two stacks per month are permitted. Stacks not following City Ordinance will not be picked up and a note will be left explaining the problem.

LEAF COLLECTION

Must be raked to the curb by Monday of the collection week and be free of debris and obstructions. Collected two weeks in April, and seven weeks in the fall. Fall dates will be posted in the Sun and future newsletters.