Garbage/Recycle Service

New Service Provider

The Atlanta City Council is excited to present Republic Services as the new garbage provider for the City of Atlanta. Contract period starts July 1, 2022. Republic Services will provide weekly residential garbage pickup, curbside recycle pickup every other week, bulk item pickups, pickup after festivals, and service to village properties. Commercial properties will still need to contract for their own pickup. Republic will not service commercial garbage.

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Republic Services is pleased to provide service to you under the City's new five-year municipal contract for trash. Previously known as Allied Waste, Republic Services is locally based – we operate the Bloomington transfer station, and our hauling operation is based here as well. Our drivers and mechanics are proud members of Republic Services, and we are excited for the opportunity to take care of your solid waste and recycling services. Below is a synopsis of our service contract.

Billing

The billing process will now be part of your bill created by the City. Residents will not need to initiate any changes.

Carts

Each resident will receive a 95-gallon cart for trash and those who opt in will get a 95-gallon cart for recycle. New carts will be delivered at no cost to residents on or after **June 27th**. Damaged carts are also replaced at no cost to the resident. Republic will only service their blue carts they provide. If you have a cart from another hauler, please contact that hauler for pickup. Republic will be happy to discard your old personal trash cans if you leave a note on them. **All trash must be contained within your cart with the lid closed.** All trash must be in bags within the cart to keep the cart as clean and sanitary as possible. No loose trash! **Please do not bag recyclables as it can ruin the machine that sorts materials.**

Cart Placement

- Have the cart(s) at the curb by 4:30am of your collection day. **(Friday)**
- If room allows, please place the cart at least (3) three feet from any object; like a tree, pole, fire hydrant, mailbox, electrical box, cable box, etc. and at least (5) five feet away from cars so the automated arm can reach your cart.
- Don't lean anything against the cart.
- Place cart one foot from the curb or edge of the street. Remember to place the arrows on the lid of the cart toward the street and the handle toward your house, with the lid closed.

Proper Cart Placement is the Key to Automated Service

Schedule

Garbage will be picked up every week on **Friday**. Recycle pickup will be every other week on **Friday**. Recycling will be split up of half the town one week and half the town the next. A map will be provided. Please put out your carts the evening before or by 4:30 am in the morning and be patient as collection times will vary.

Bulky Items

Republic Services will pick up bulky items at no charge to the community every Tuesday. Bulky items are defined as household materials that are too large to fit in with your regular waste collection cart, such as furniture, mattresses, etc. Bulky items must be scheduled to be picked up. Please email atlantabulk@republicservices.com to make sure your bulk item is picked up

Unacceptable Items for General Trash

- Barrels
- Corrosive Waste
- Appliances
- Electronics
- Empty Tanks
- Flammable Waste
- Hazardous Waste
- Fluorescent Bulbs
- Liquids
- Medical Waste
- Paint, or Paint Cans (see below)
- Railroad Ties
- Construction Debris (pipes, board, drywall, ceiling tiles, sinks, tubs, shower surrounds, flooring)
- Carpet (can be picked up if rolled and tied and no longer than a 4-foot section)
- Septic Waste
- Tires
- Used Oil
- Landscape Waste

Electronic Waste

Illinois State Law prohibits electronic waste from being disposed of in a landfill. The Town of Normal offers an electronics recycling drop-off location for McLean County residents during the week and on the first Saturday of each month at the Public Works Facility (1301 Warriner Street) Please look for the bright yellow electronics recycling signs, which will direct you to the yard entrance. The electronics recycling shed is located in the yard on the left.

Hazardous Materials

While Hazardous Materials are not acceptable items for general trash, paint can be disposed of if it is no longer a free-flowing liquid. This can happen over time or you can also add kitty litter to any can in order to soak the fluid. No other hazardous waste will be collected.

Construction Materials

Construction materials will not be accepted in trash cans. This material will damage the crushing mechanics in the trucks.

Curbside Recycling-Recycling Simplified

Republic collects all recyclable material such as cardboard, paper, metal cans, plastic bottles, jugs and bottles. Please do not bag your recycling before putting it in your container. For more information, please visit https://recyclingsimplified.com.

Simple as 1-2-3

1. Know what to throw
   - Paper and Cardboard-flattened cardboard, newspapers, magazines, office paper, and common mail.
   - Metal Cans-beverage and food cans.
   - Plastic Bottles and Jugs-food and liquid containers with the lids on.
2. Empty. Clean. Dry
   - Keep all recyclables free of food and liquid.
3. Don't bag it
   - Never put recyclables in containers or bags.

Never place these items in your recycling container:

- Plastic bags and wrappers
- Styrofoam
- Food
- Electronics and batteries
- Yard waste
- Diapers, clean or dirty
- Soiled or wet paper
- Clothing
- Tools
- Toys
- Construction waste
- Medical waste

Frequently Asked Questions

1. **What if I generate more than the capacity of the cart?**
   - An occasional overage can be picked up; simply put it close to your cart and we will collect. This is limited to 3 extra bags at up to 35lbs a bag.

2. **What happens if the cart breaks?**
   - If your cart should happen to break please contact the Village Hall for a replacement cart- ***free of charge****.*

3. **Can I put loose trash in the cart?**
   -No. ***All trash must be bagged*** *and tied and then deposited in your cart. This practice will help keep your cart cleaner and minimize odor.*

4. **Where do I place the cart at the curb? And does it have to face a certain way?**
   -When you wheel your cart to the curb, the arrows on top of the lid should face towards the street. The wheels and handle need to face the house. Leave (1) one foot between the edge of the street and the cart. Leave (5) five feet of space between the cart and any vehicle. Leave (3) three feet of space between the cart and any other obstacles such as trees, mailboxes, basketball poles or other carts. ***See the diagram on previous page.***

5. **What do I do with my cart if I move?**
   The carts stay at the address they were delivered to. Do not take your carts with you when you move, as they belong to Republic Services.

"We'll handle it from here" **™**

REPUBLIC SERVICES

Sustainability in Action

As your service contractor, it is our job to make sure you are getting the best service possible. We want you to feel comfortable with us and our collection crews.