

CITY OF MELBOURNE NEWS FLASH

Curbside collection is now easier and greener

The City of Melbourne began a new garbage and recycling collection cart program on October 1, 2010.

Each resident received one 96-gallon or 64-gallon cart for garbage and one 64-gallon cart for recycling. These are sturdy, user-friendly carts with wheels. Mobile home parks and retirement communities received the smaller 64-gallon cart for garbage. Other customers or HOAs received a 64-gallon cart as requested. If customers choose to change the size they have, either to a 64-gallon or to a 96-gallon, they can still contact the ECO Division at (321) 953-6302. Residents can also purchase additional carts from WM for \$70 each.



New Collection Schedule

Collection schedules have also changed. Garbage is being collected as follows:

» Tuesdays and Fridays from the north side of Sarno Road to the northern City limits.

» Mondays and Thursdays from the south side of Sarno Road to the



southern City limits. This schedule also includes the beachside portions of Melbourne.

There is no change in the yard waste collection method. Residents will continue to use their own cans that are no larger than 40 gallons in size and weigh no more than 50 pounds when filled. There is, howev-

er, a new yard waste schedule, which is as follows:

» Fridays from the north side of Lake Washington Road to the northern City limits.

» Tuesdays from the south side of Lake Washington Road to the north side of Sarno Road.

» Thurs-

days from the south side of Sarno Road to the north side of US 192, and including the beachside portions of Melbourne.

» Mondays from the south side of US 192 to the southern City limits.

Customers should keep in mind that yard waste in plastic bags is not accepted. A clam truck will be

working every day in conjunction with the yard waste routes.

Customers can call Waste Management or the City's ECO Division to schedule collection of bulk piles of yard waste.

All recycling will be collected on Wednesdays.

The new program will help

Melbourne comply with the new State of Florida 75% Recycling Goal, to be achieved by the year 2020. The carts are made from 50% recycled material. Recycling is done in a single-stream, where items do not need to be sorted. This makes recycling easier for residents, setting the framework to meet this goal.

The co-mingled recycling items are transported to a materials recovery facility for sorting and transporting to various markets.

The cart with the yellow lid is to be used for recycling only. The following items, included on the backside of this page, can be placed in your cart:

Paper Products:

- » Newspapers
- » Magazines
- » Phone books
- » Catalogs
- » Paper bags
- » Envelopes (including those with windows)
- » Paper
- » Junk mail
- » Paperboard boxes
- » Corrugated cardboard boxes (broken down). If you have a large quantity of cardboard boxes that will not fit in the cart, break them down and set them out by the recycling cart on collection day.
- » Milk and juice cartons

Remember to keep these items dry and remove plastic bags, which can cause the automated sorting system to fail.

Plastics:

Bottles with necks. Rinse the bottles and throw away the caps or spray pumps. Most bottles are included, such as water and other beverage bottles, laundry detergent bottles, bleach bottles, shampoo bottles, etc. Do not include bottles that contained automotive products, pool chemicals, pesticides, fertilizers or any other household hazardous waste.



Glass:

Lightly rinse glass jars and bottles and throw the lids away. Do not include window glass, ceramic cups or

dishes, light bulbs, mirrors or broken glass.

Aluminum, Tin and Steel Cans:

Lightly rinse beverage and food cans. Empty aerosol cans are accepted.

Clean aluminum foil and disposable aluminum pans can also be placed in your recycling cart.

Electronic Waste:

Customers can call Waste Management to arrange for a pickup of items including computer equipment, printers, cell phones, televisions, VCRs, stereos, radios, electric clocks, electronic toys, small appliances and CDs and DVDs.

Compact Fluorescent Bulbs and Fluorescent Tubes:

Customers can call WM to request special vapor-locked bags. When these are delivered to your home they will be attached to your door knob or entry gate. Place the bulbs in the bags. Put them in a safe place away from children and

keep the bag sealed. If bulbs break inside the bag, do not re-open the bag. The bags can then be set out at

the curbside, next to the recycling cart, for collection.

Printer Cartridges:

Printer cartridges can be placed in a bag and placed on top of the recycling cart for collection.

Tires:

WM will collect four tires per household, per year. Rims must be removed. Contact WM to schedule a pickup.



Bulk Collection:

Contact WM to schedule a bulk item collection.

This would include discarded furniture and household junk.

Bikes for Tykes:

WM will pick up bicycles that are left curbside in Brevard County in conjunction with the Brevard County Sheriff's Bikes for Tykes program. Customers wishing to dispose of a bicycle can place the bikes beside their trash on their regular garbage collection day, and a WM supervisor will come by and pick up the bike.

The bicycles will be transported to the Sheriff's work farm where they will be fixed up by jail inmates, and donated to Brevard County's three sharing centers and other non-profit agencies for needy children, homeless adults and veterans.

Contact Information:

For service needs or questions, please contact Waste Management customer service at (321) 723-4455 or e-mail them at centralfloridaservice@wm.com. You can also call the City of Melbourne's ECO Division at (321) 953-6302 or send an e-mail to jwilster@melbourneflorida.org.