

Program Information

WANT TO SET UP A SUCCESSFUL RECYCLING PROGRAM? WE'RE HERE TO HELP!

As part of our basic Waste Management garbage service, recycling is available at no additional cost to businesses as long as the recycling container is within 150% of the garbage collection container size. For example, if a customer has a 2 cubic yard garbage container, they can receive a 3 cubic yard recycling container at no additional cost! Look inside this brochure to see all of the things you can recycle in the same recycling container.

To start recycling service, call Waste Management at 1-800-592-9995.

On-site Waste Audits beginning in October!

A Waste Management representative will be visiting your business to evaluate your potential for reducing garbage by recycling more!

Contact us at recyclenw@wm.com to schedule a specific appointment time. Otherwise, we will see you soon.

RECYCLING TOOL KITS ARE AVAILABLE

The City of Auburn and Waste Management are committed to increasing recycling at local businesses throughout the City. To help make your recycling program successful and to encourage your employees and patrons to recycle right, the City has a business tool kit to distribute to local businesses.

Please contact Waste Management at recyclenw@wm.com for a business tool kit or program information.

EDUCATIONAL TOOLS AND ASSISTANCE ARE AVAILABLE

City of Auburn and Waste Management staff conduct recycling site audits, provide trainings and outfit you and your employees with educational posters and flyers to encourage easy and proper recycling at the workplace. To learn more about recycling or to download a complete list of recycling guidelines, posters and flyers visit wmnorthwest.com/auburn.

Free On-site Waste Audits Make an Appointment Today!

Email us at recyclenw@wm.com

COMPOSTABLES SERVICE IS NOW AVAILABLE!

Want to reduce your waste (and perhaps your garbage bill) even more? Over 30% of the material we throw away is food or food-soiled paper. Sign up for compostables collection by calling the City of Auburn at 253-931-3038. Inside collection containers are available at no cost, while supplies last. If you would like to schedule a site visit with one of our Outreach Coordinators first, please email us at recyclenw@wm.com.

More resources



OPTIONS FOR PREVENTING WASTE

Information to help you dispose or recycle materials properly:

- **What Do I Do With...?**
www.kingcounty.gov/solidwaste/wdidw
- **Ecology**
www.800Recycle.wa.gov

Free exchanges to buy, sell or give away reusable items

- www.seattle.craigslist.org
- www.2good2toss.com
- www.freecycle.org

Find it on the web:

- **Information on recycling, disposal, waste prevention and more:**
City of Auburn
www.auburnwa.gov/solidwaste
- **Tips on how to Think Green:**
Waste Management
www.wmnorthwest.com

Illegal Dumping:

- Please call 206-296-SITE (7483)

Waste Prevention is Even Better Than Recycling

Before you buy, use or discard an item, ask yourself:

Reduce:

Can I buy this product with less packaging?

Reuse:

Can I or someone else use this again?

Recycle:

Can I recycle this after I use it?

Buy Recycled:

Can I get this item with recycled content?

BUSINESS HAZARDOUS WASTE

Hazardous products that say "Caution, Warning, Danger & Poison" on the label, are harmful to the environment and are not allowed in the garbage.

For proper disposal information, please visit:

- The "Business" section of www.lhwmp.org or
- Call the **Business Waste Line** at 206-263-8899 or TTY relay 711.

What do I do with...?

ELECTRONICS, FLUORESCENT BULBS/TUBES AND HAZARDOUS WASTE:

Fluorescent bulbs and tubes, electronics (computers, cell phones, TVs etc.), batteries, syringes, needles and hazardous products (cleaners, solvents, etc.) do not go in the recycling or garbage. For safe disposal information visit:

- wmnorthwest.com
- ecyclewashington.org
- takeitbacknetwork.org
- lamptracker.com
- lhwmp.org
- medwaste.wm.com
- 1-800-Recycle



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Solid Waste & Recycling Division
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THINK GREEN®

AUBURN Garbage, Recycling and Compostables Guidelines for Businesses

NEW SERVICES EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2011



Waste Management is pleased to provide these guidelines to help make it easier to use our services. Please save for future reference.

Visit our website, www.wmnorthwest.com, for more tips on how to Think Green.

Service Information

CONTAINER SET OUT GUIDELINES



Your containers will be collected weekly.

Make sure carts/containers are accessible by 7:00 a.m.

SERVICE NUMBERS

City of Auburn

- Garbage & Compostables billing, set up, service changes* 253-931-3038
- Solid Waste & Recycling website www.auburnwa.gov/solidwaste

Waste Management

- Missed collections (call within 24 hours) 1-800-592-9995
- Recycle set up and service changes* www.wmnorthwest.com/auburn
- Website www.wmnorthwest.com/auburn

WEATHER DELAY?

If weather conditions prevent safe collection, there may be a service delay. Please visit www.wmnorthwest.com/weatherboard for the most up-to-date service information during a weather event.



HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Waste Management provides collection service on all holidays except Thanksgiving, Christmas Day (Dec. 25) and New Years Day (Jan. 1). If collection falls on or after any of these holidays, your scheduled collection will be one day later that week.



RECYCLING

Put all of these materials loose into your blue recycling cart/container.

All recyclables should be clean and empty

Clean paper and cardboard

Flattened cardboard (limit 2x3 ft), newspapers, inserts, magazines, catalogs, phonebooks, paperback books, mail (window envelopes ok), paper bags, bagged shredded paper and food boxes.



Paper food containers

Clean paper cups, milk and juice cartons, juice boxes, and frozen food boxes. (rinse clean, no caps or lids)



Shredded paper is accepted in clear plastic bags!

Clean glass bottles and jars

All colors and sizes. (no caps or lids; labels ok)



Clean metal

Aluminum and tin cans, scrap metal and small metal appliances (limit 2x2x2 ft, 35 lbs). **New! Empty and non-hazardous aerosol cans now accepted.** (Please rinse and empty cans)



Clean plastic containers

Plastic bottles, jars, jugs, and tubs (no caps or lids). **New! Plastic cups are now accepted.**



Bagged plastic bags and film are accepted in clear plastic bags.

COMPOSTABLES

All of these materials can go in your gray compostables cart.

Compostables collection may be available at your building. Please call the City of Auburn at 253-931-3038 for more information.

Food scraps and leftovers

Meat, fish, dairy, fruit, vegetables, shells, bones, pasta, rice, eggshells, nutshells, bread, grains and leftovers.



Food-soiled paper

Coffee grounds and filters, tea bags, waxed cardboard, soiled paper bags, kitchen paper towels, paper napkins, non-coated paper plates, approved compostable containers and loose shredded paper.



No fats, oil or grease in food/compostables. Harden and put in garbage.

Plants, flowers and yard trimmings

Plants and flowers, landscape vegetation, vegetative garden waste, windfall fruit, jack-o-lanterns, brush and branches (no larger than 4" in diameter x 4' in length).



Approved compostable packaging

More items at www.gogreenscene.com



Where does it go? Food scraps and yard trimmings are processed into compost and sold at home and garden stores. For more information visit www.cgcompost.com.

Setting up Compostables in the Workplace.

1. Form a Green Team
2. Do a Deep Dive to Find Compostables
3. Sign up for Service
4. Coordinate Green Team and Janitorial Service
5. Educate and Motivate to Staff
6. Maintain Program and Expand Green Programs



GARBAGE

These items are neither recyclable or compostable. Please put them in the green garbage cart/container.

Non-recyclable plastic

Styrofoam containers or packing peanuts, plastic utensils, prescription vials, motor oil containers, garden hoses, snack bag wrappers, etc.



Non-recyclable glass

Window panes, mirrors, ceramics, dishware, light bulbs, broken glass, etc.



Non-recyclable paper

Diapers, paper towels, napkins, wrapping paper and bows, etc.



Donate books to a local charity or school.

Non-recyclable metal

Paint cans, lids, caps, sharp metal objects, plastic appliances, etc.



Alkaline batteries are accepted at local hazardous waste facilities. Better yet, use rechargeable batteries instead.

Latex paint is not accepted at hazardous waste facilities. Use kitty litter or paint hardener to solidify latex paint. Once dry and hardened, please dispose of latex paint in your garbage container.

Garbage Tips.

- Please bag all garbage.
- For construction and demolition jobs, please call 1-800-592-9995 to order a larger container or roll off container to handle your materials.

Put your construction and/or demolition project on the fast track with our tailored services to meet your specific project needs. To learn more or to sign up for service, call 1-800-592-9995 or visit www.wmnorthwest.com/auburn