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2014-15 Collection
Calendar Enclosed

Please read and use
these guidelines.
Everything has its place.
Recycle Often. Recycle Right.SM

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THINK GREEN.®

YOUR MOUNTLAKE TERRACE Recycling Guide

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



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



RECYCLING

Place clean and empty recyclables loose in your **blue** recycling cart.
Please do not bag or bundle.

Recycling is
unlimited for
residents of
the City of
Mountlake
Terrace

Clean paper and Cardboard

Newspaper, inserts, mail, envelopes, cereal and dry food boxes (*remove liners*), paperback books, magazines, catalogs, phone books, non-foil wrapping paper, frozen food boxes, paper cups, juice boxes, milk, soy milk and broth cartons.



TIP:

Shredded paper is difficult to separate from other recyclables. It is accepted in yard and food waste carts.

Glass jars and bottles

Plastic bottles, jugs, tubs and cups



Milk, juice and soda bottles, yogurt, dairy and margarine tubs, shampoo and conditioner bottles, window, bathroom and kitchen cleaner bottles, detergent and fabric softener bottles, pill bottles (no prescription vials). *Remove all lids and place in garbage.*

KEEP OUT OF RECYCLING

Hazardous Waste
Medical Waste
Syringes
Batteries
Sharp Metal
Liquid
Fuel tanks

Electronics, Computers or Televisions
Foam Cups, Packaging and Peanuts
Yard/Food Scraps
Light Bulbs or Fluorescent Tubes

Garbage
Plastic Bags
Plastic lids
Food-soiled Items
Microwave Trays
Broken dishes, ceramics or window glass

Ignore numbers, recycle bottles, jugs, tubs and cups!



TIP:

Plastic bags cause many problems at the recycling center. Place plastic bags in the garbage, or bring back to the grocery store for recycling.

Aluminum and tin cans

Soda cans, metal food cans, empty non-toxic aerosol cans.



TIP:

Aerosol cans containing chemicals or other hazardous materials should be taken to the Snohomish County Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off Station.

Scrap metal and clean foil

Small non-working metal appliances, pots, foil, foil trays, tools, etc.

Limit 2ft. x 2 ft. x 2 ft., 35lbs

No wood, plastic, or rubber attachments; no sharp metal.



Recycling is unlimited for residents in the City of Mountlake Terrace. Place extra recycling next to your recycling cart in boxes or in a 32-gallon can labeled "Recycling".

- Recycling carts are emptied **every other week**. Check the enclosed collection calendar for details.
- Empty recyclables out of bags and boxes into the cart so they can be easily sorted at the recycling center.
- Empty and rinse out all food residue. Remove all lids and place in the garbage. Labels do not need to be removed.
- There is no charge for extra recycling.



COMPOST | FOOD SCRAPS AND YARD DEBRIS

These go in your **green** yard/food waste cart.

Compost service is free for Mountlake Terrace Residents!

Food scraps and leftovers

Yard / food waste collection is provided at no extra cost with your basic garbage service. Customers receive collection every other week on garbage day. Food scraps and food-soiled paper go only in the Food/Yard cart provided by Waste Management. Food scraps are not accepted in any other containers



Food-soiled paper

Compostable pizza boxes, food-soiled paper towels, and paper napkins, shredded paper (no credit cards or DVDs), soiled egg cartons, waxed paper, waxed cardboard, uncoated (*non-shiny*) paper plates, paper bags, approved compostable packaging.*



*See www.gogreenscene.com for details.

Compost collection is included in the cost of Garbage service! Compost is collected every other week on garbage day. Sign up for compost and yard debris service at www.wmnorthwest.com or call **1-800-592-9995** M-F 7AM-5PM, SAT 9AM-1PM.



KEEP OUT OF COMPOST CART

Twine
Plastic Bags & Containers
Fats, Oil or Grease
Glass
DVDs
Credit Cards

Metal
Foil
Liquids
Diapers & Pet Waste
Garden Hoses
Plastic Plant Pots

Plants, flowers and yard trimmings

Houseplants (*no pots*), grass clippings, weeds, twigs, branches, roots from pruning, grass clippings, leaves, tree branches (*under 4' long, 4" in diam.*), holiday trees, Jack-o-lanterns (*remove candles*).



Collect food scraps. It's easy to do.

1



A stylish compost pail.

2



A reusable kitchen container, such as an old pitcher.

3



A paper bag or an approved compostable bag.

Visit www.cedar-grove.com for a list of compostable bag retailers in your community.

Empty collected food scraps into your compost cart. Your compost cart will be picked up on your collection day.

Extra Yard Waste: There is a charge for extra yard waste. Put extra yard waste in Kraft paper bags or 32-gallon containers with handles and lids (*65 lb limit*). Label "yard".

Did you know?

Food scraps and yard debris are processed into compost, sold locally at home and garden stores and used by local farms.



GARBAGE

Garbage service is required by the City of Mountlake Terrace for the health and safety of the community. Bag all garbage and place in your grey garbage cart.

Non-recyclable plastic

Take-out containers, foam cups and packaging, packing peanuts, caps, lids, stretch wrap, empty motor oil and antifreeze containers, plastic bakery and meat trays, plastic plates and utensils, empty prescription vials, garden hoses, disposable diapers and ribbons.

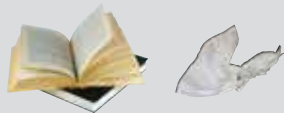


Non-recyclable paper

Disposable wipes, hardcover books, foil wrapping paper, dirty paper, facial tissue.

TIP:

Donate books to a local charity or school.



Non-recyclable glass

Mirrors, window glass, ceramics, dishes, incandescent and halogen light bulbs only (*Fluorescents need special disposal. See What Do I Do With? page*).



Non-recyclable metal

Caps, lids, oil containers, hardened latex paint in cans (*remove lids*), sharp or greasy metal, clothes hangers, small non-working plastic appliances (*toasters, microwaves, coffee makers, etc.*).

TIP:

Use kitty litter or paint hardener to solidify latex paint.



Double bag these items

Cool ash, holiday lights, vacuum bags, hoses, electrical cords, kitty litter and pet waste.



KEEP OUT GARBAGE

Hazardous Waste

Medical Waste

Syringes

Fluorescent Bulbs or

Tubes

Liquids

Fuel tanks

Computers or Televisions

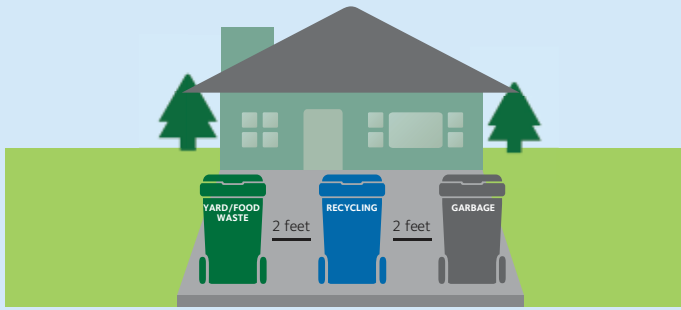
Garbage charges are based on container size. There is a charge for extra garbage that doesn't fit in your container with the lid closed. Bulky items like mattresses, appliances and building materials can be picked up by special arrangement for a fee.

Please:

- Bag all garbage.
- Double bag pet waste, pet litter, packing peanuts, vacuum dust, sawdust and cold ashes.
- Weight limit: 32-gal/65 lbs.



COLLECTION GUIDELINES



Garbage collection service is mandatory for all single-family residential, multifamily or commercial customers in the City of Mountlake Terrace.

- Carts are to be set out the night before scheduled collection and brought back from the curb by the morning following collection.
- Place carts two (2) feet apart with lids opening toward street, at least three (3) feet from cars, trees and mailboxes.

Weather Delay?

If weather conditions prevent safe collection, up to twice as much material will be collected at no extra charge on your next regular collection day for each container not emptied.

Garbage will be collected the following week on your next scheduled collection day.*

Recycling will be collected on your next regularly scheduled collection day.*

Yard debris/food scraps will be collected the Saturday following the interrupted service.

*In the event of two successive weather delays, an additional collection will take place on the next possible business day that week.

Visit www.wmnorthwest.com/mlt or call 1-800-592-9995 M-F 7AM-5PM, SAT 9AM - 1PM for:

- Collection rates or service subscription
- Missed collection
- Missing/damaged carts
- Bulky item collection (*mattresses, appliances, etc.*)
- Construction/demolition containers(*remodeling, etc.*)

Disabled service – If you need help paying your bill, or if you need to sign up for pack out disabled services email the City at:

utilitybilling@ci.mlt.wa.us or call 425-744-6214.

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?

RESOURCES

Waste Management

www.wmnorthwest.com/mlt | 800-592-9995

Snohomish County

www.snoco.org/solidwaste | 425-388-3425

1-800-RECYCLE

www.1800recycle.wa.gov

1-800-RECYCLE (732-9253)

Online information to help you dispose of materials properly.

Household Hazardous Waste

www.snoco.org/solidwaste | 425-388-3425

E-Cycle Washington

www.ecyclewashington.org

1-800-RECYCLE (732-9253)

Free recycling locations for computers, monitors and TVs.

Safe Medicine Disposal

www.takebackyourmeds.org

Environmental Kids Club | www.epa.gov/kids

Classroom Resources | www.wmnorthwest.com/educational

Need help paying your garbage bill?

You may qualify for payment assistance.

Go to www.cityofmlt.com or call 425-744-6214

Curbside Cleanup Coupons

Every year Waste Management mails four coupons to Mountlake Terrace residential customers which allows them to set out up to four extra bags of garbage or yard debris per year at no charge. Customers must attach one coupon per bag and set the materials out next to their carts on their regularly scheduled collection day.

See www.wmnorthwest.com/mlt for more information.

WHAT DO I DO WITH?

Some items such as medical wastes, fluorescent light bulbs and tubes, needles, fuel tanks, electronics and chemicals are hazardous and are not allowed in garbage or recycling. They require special handling as indicated below.

Motor Oil Recycling

Place up to two gallons of motor oil in gallon jugs next to your recycling cart on your collection day. Label each container with your address. Make sure caps are screwed on tightly.

Call **425-388-3425** or go to www.snoco.org/solidwaste for other disposal options

Computers, Monitors and TVs

Free recycling locations:

www.ecyclewashington.org

800-RECYCLE (732-9253)

www.takeitbacknetwork.org



Cell Phones and Other Electronics

Printers, fax machines, DVD players, etc.

www.takeitbacknetwork.org



Large Appliances

Refrigerators, freezers, dishwashers, clothes washers, dryers, stoves, ranges, furnaces.*

Sell or donate

www.snopud.com search "conservation"



Needles/Syringes

Bartell Drug Store Drop-off

22803 44th Ave. W., Mountlake Terrace

425-771-3738

Use Sharps by mail – www.thinkgreenfromhome.com



Batteries

Rechargeable, alkaline, button, lead acid automobile, UPS



Snohomish County Hazardous Waste

Drop-Off Station (www.snoco.org/solidwaste for hours and location)

www.thinkgreenfromhome.com

www.call2recycle.org

Mercury-Containing Products

Mercury switches, thermometers, thermostats

www.snoco.org/solidwaste

425-388-3425

Fluorescent light bulbs and tubes

www.thinkgreenfromhome.com

www.takeitbacknetwork.org

425-388-3425



Oil-Based Paint, Chemicals, Pesticides, Propane Tanks and Automobile Fluids

Household Hazardous Waste Drop Off Station
3434 McDougall Ave, Everett

www.snoco.org/solidwaste – **425-388-6050**



Unwanted Medicines

Properly dispose of unwanted medications at Mountlake Terrace Police

5906-232nd Street SW

Mon-Fri, 8AM-4PM

or visit www.takebackyourmeds.org



*Washers, dryers, stoves, ranges, dishwashers, microwaves and hot water tanks (that are 85% metal or more), may be recycled free of charge, at the Snohomish County transfers stations and neighborhood recycle and disposal centers, formerly known as drop boxes. Appliances such as refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners, heat pumps and dehumidifiers contain chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs), which are regulated under the Federal Clean Air Act, and must be disposed of properly. These items cannot be disposed or recycled at Snohomish County Solid Waste facilities. For more information visit www.snoco.org/solidwaste or call 425-388-3425.

There are many alternatives to putting unwanted items in the garbage.

If an item is in good condition, donate it, sell it or give it away.

Plastic bags and dry cleaning bags

Plastic bags become litter and endanger wildlife.

- Use durable bags
- Reuse plastic bags
- Recycle plastic bags at grocery stores

Clothing and shoes

Donate to local charities such as Goodwill or Volunteers of America. Call 211 for a complete list of charities in our area.

Foam blocks and packing peanuts, toilets, tires, cooking oil...and more!

www.takeitbacknetwork.org

www.1800recycle.wa.gov

1-800-RECYCLE (732-9253)

Online Materials Exchange

www.seattle.craigslist.org

www.2good2toss.com

www.freecycle.org