



TOWN OF LOCKPORT RECYCLING AND REFUSE GUIDELINES

Dear Lockport Residents

Effective January 1st, 2017, a new contract will go into effect with Waste Management for collection and hauling of the Town's solid waste and recycling. Waste Management is extremely pleased to continue to be the provider for the Town, and hope the information below will help make the upcoming transition a smooth one.

Service Day

All households in the Town will have their garbage serviced weekly. **However, recycling will be collected on an every other week basis.** Please refer to the handy street guide which is attached to this letter, to see which day of the week your refuse will be collected along with the week your recycling will be collected.

Garbage Set-out Limits

You can place a maximum of six (6) bags or containers of garbage per week. Each bag/container must not exceed thirty (30) gallons and sixty (60) pounds. Bags must be watertight with a minimum thickness of 3 mil. Garbage must be placed within 4 feet of the street curb by 6:30am of your collection day.

Bulky Waste and White Goods (Appliances)

Waste Management will collect one (1) bulky item or white good (appliance) per week. White goods will be collected separately from your household waste and recycling. Refrigerators and freezers must have doors removed and refrigerant (freon) must be removed by certified service with unit stickered as such.

- ✓ Carpeting must be rolled in lengths of 4 feet or less, taped securely, and no wider than 18 inches.
- ✓ Large items must be of size that can easily be handled by two employees.
- ✓ Additional acceptable items include small furniture, bedding and mattresses, hot water tanks, and large appliances.
- ✓ The term does NOT include air conditioners, microwave-emitting equipment, microwave ovens, and regulated material covered by the New York State Electronic Equipment Recycling and Reuse Act.
- ✓ Any item, such as a weed trimmer or small lawnmower, with an engine requiring oil and gas must have those liquids removed prior to collection.

Unacceptable Waste

Dead animals, explosive and flammable materials, pesticides, batteries, compressed gas cylinders, aerosol cans, motor oils, regulated and non-regulated hazardous, pathological, medical, infectious, construction, remodeling, and septic waste, sludge, junk automobiles, recreational vehicles (ATV's). **TIRES ARE NOT ACCEPTED.** For more information on disposal of household hazardous waste such as oil and lead based paint, pesticides, antifreeze, etc. contact Erie County Hazardous Waste at 858-6800 or visit www.erie.gov/environment. Motor oil can be disposed of at most local service stations or repair centers.

Electronic Waste

These items will not be collected by Waste Management. Residents may contact the Town Highway Department to learn more about the Town's Electronic Waste Recycling Shed and drop off program. Additionally, residents can visit the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation's website at <http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/66872.html> to learn how they may properly manage their electronic waste in an environmentally responsible manner.

Recognized Holidays that Affect Collection

Waste Management observes the following holidays. If your collection day falls on or after these holidays, your collection will be delayed one day. Residents with a regular collection day of Friday will be collected on Saturday on these weeks.

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| New Year's Day | Labor Day |
| Memorial Day | Thanksgiving Day |
| Fourth of July | Christmas Day |



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IMPORTANT CHANGES TO YOUR RECYCLING COLLECTION

- **Beginning on January 1st 2017, recycling will now be collected on an every other week basis.** Please refer to the attached street guide and 2017 calendar to determine your collection day for both garbage and recycling and which weeks your recycling will be collected.
- Recycling will be collected utilizing the new Town of Lockport branded wheel carts, which are the property of the Town. These carts may not leave the residence to which they are delivered.
- As the recycling will now be collected with an automated truck with mechanical arm, recycling will only be collected in the provided wheel carts. Items that will not fit into the cart (such as rigid plastics) may be neatly placed next to the cart. Card board should be flattened, cut into pieces 3' x3' or less, and stacked neatly next to the cart. Do not bag or bind recyclable materials in any manner as this causes problems at the recycling facility.
- With automated collection, it will be very important for the resident to follow these set-out guidelines:
 - Do not place within 4 feet of the garbage set-out, your mailbox, or any fixed structure or object.
 - Place cart within 2 feet of curb.
 - Attempt to place all recyclables within the cart.
 - Handle of cart should be facing the house, as described on cart lid.

