

# There's a New Can in Town

Once per week pick up

Place it **ALL** by the curb on **YOUR** day

Garbage • Recycle • Yard Waste

Place **ALL** garbage inside your **NEW** cart.

Garbage **NOT** inside the cart will not be picked up.

Too much trash for your cart? **Recycle!**

Almost half of our typical waste can be recycled or composted.

Rinse and place recyclables in yellow recycle bins:

- All non-food contaminated paper and paperboard (*junk mail, newspaper, cereal boxes, etc.*)
- Plastic Containers #1 - 7 (*water and soda bottles, milk and detergent jugs, butter and yogurt tubs, etc.*)
- Steel and Aluminum Cans
- Clear and Colored Glass, but **NO** ceramic mugs, mirrors, window panes
- Flatten all cardboard

Do **NOT** mix garbage and yard waste.

Place loose yard waste (grass clippings, leaves and small twigs) in your old garbage can, or paper or plastic lawn and leaf bags.

Place branches and tree trimings neatly at the curb.

If you have a large pile (more than the size of a pickup truck bed), call **863•665•1489** or **888•445•5045** to arrange for collection.

## "BIG" Trash Days

We understand there will be times when you produce more garbage than fits in your cart.

In order to accommodate these "big trash days," you may choose four (4) collection days per year to place up to five (5) additional garbage bags next to your new cart.

## What if my cart is damaged or stolen?

Each cart is electronically tagged and assigned to the house.

If damaged, call Republic Services at **863•665•1489** or **888•445•5045**.

If stolen, file a police report before calling Republic Services.

Need more yellow recycle bins? Call 863•665•1489 or 888•445•5045.

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**Waste Resource Management**

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# Do NOT place these materials in your garbage cart. Place it ALL by the curb!

Place your garbage cart at the curb or street either the night before or no later than 6 a.m. on your scheduled collection day.

Place the cart within five (5) feet of the curb or street.

Make sure the handles face away from the street.

## Large or Bulky Items

The following items will be picked up curbside at **NO CHARGE** within 72 hours of notifying Republic Services at 863•665•1489 or 888•445•5045.

- refrigerators
- freezers
- stoves
- air conditioners
- washing machines
- furniture

## Holidays

The landfill is closed and there are **NO** collections on the following holidays:

- New Year's Day
- Memorial Day
- July 4
- Labor Day
- Thanksgiving Day
- Christmas Day

If the holiday falls on a weekday, your garbage, recycle and yard waste collection will be delayed by one day for that week only.

Your regular schedule will resume the following week.

For example: If the holiday falls on Thursday, then Thursday collection service will be provided on Friday, Friday service will be provided on Saturday.

## You may be asking...

### ...what do I do with my old garbage can?

Use your old can for yard waste.  
Use your old can for composting.

Bring it to the recycling center at the landfill, located at 7399 DeCastro Road in Winter Haven.

Keep it...for now. We will offer curbside collection starting Saturdays in November. Check the website or call 863•665•1489 or 888•445•5045 for details about when we will

be in your area. When it's time, clean it, place a big "X" on the can and leave it by the curb.

**NO Propane Cylinders**

**NO Sharps**

**NO Used Oil or Oil Filters**

**NO Hazardous Materials**

*(any product labeled toxic, poison, corrosive, flammable or irritant)*

If any of these items are found in your cart, the cart will be tagged with an instructional notice and not serviced. Call for proper disposal information, 863•284•4319.

**NO Lead-Acid Batteries**

**NO Paints or Solvents**

**NO Tires**

**NO Construction Debris**