

# Recycling Guidelines

## ✓ Best Items to Place in Your Recycling Cart

### Paper



Newspaper, Office Paper, Paper Bags, Junk Mail, Paperboard & Magazines

### Bottles & Jars



Clear Bottles & Jars

### Cardboard



Cardboard & Pizza Boxes  
Flatten cardboard. Remove wax paper from pizza boxes.

### Plastic



Jugs & Bottles with Small Top Openings

### Metal



Aluminum Cans, Metal Cookware, Steel & Tin Cans

## ✗ Unacceptable Items in Your Recycling Cart

### Unacceptable Metal



Aerosol Cans, Propane Tanks, Batteries & Paint Cans

### Electronic Waste



Electronics, Cords & Christmas Lights

### Clothing



### Styrofoam



### Plastic Bags & Film



### Plastic-Coated Fiber



### Unacceptable Glass



Light Bulbs & Plate Glass/Mirrors

### Wood Items



### Yard Waste



### Medical Waste/Syringes



### MAKE THE EFFORT TO RECYCLE RIGHT

Start 2021 off with educating yourself and members of your family about “acceptable” recyclables for your bins/carts. The list may surprise you! Much of what we think is recyclable, may actually not be. For example, wax coated boxes or film/foam based plastics! About 70% of what we place out for recycling is either cardboard or paper products. The remaining plastic bottles, tubs and jugs, metal cans and clear glass jars are all welcome to go together in the same bin/cart, but be sure to give them a good rinse first!

Together, we can continue to make a difference by recycling right and keeping our bins/carts free of contaminants.



## City of North Tonawanda Department of Public Works Trash, Bulk Waste and Recycling Guide 2021

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Message from the Superintendent:

We have two primary goals in the Sanitation Department, maintaining the beauty of our City and keeping our employees safe. With the many challenges that delivering sanitation services provide, I'm grateful of the residents who respect our rules and our crews for doing such an outstanding job.

In 2021 we look to expand upon our goals with judicious efforts to keep the City clean while maintaining an affordable service for residents. Please, this year we ask that for all Bulk Waste, that residents follow these rules:

- ⇒ All items placed for collection must be **boxed, bagged or bundled**. The City will no longer collect large, unconsolidated debris piles.
- ⇒ Please follow the schedule inside this newsletter.
- ⇒ No debris from work done by a contractor will be collected.

We take pride in delivering a high quality service to residents. Should any resident need guidance or assistance, please do not hesitate to contact the Public Works Department.

# 2021 Pickup Rules and Helpful Tips

## 2021 BULKY Waste and HOLIDAY Collection Calendar

### NEW RULES FOR BULKY WASTE

The Department of Public Works is in the process of transitioning the manner in which we collect bulky waste from residents. Rather than expose our workers to possible injury due to large, unconsolidated wastes, the City plans to step up enforcement by **ONLY** collecting **boxed, bagged or bundled** debris on Bulk Collection Day.

Every month, except November, residents may dispose of items too large for their totes which includes common household furnishings such as appliances, children's toys, mattresses/box spring, lamps, chandeliers, outdoor furniture, bound carpet and bundled sticks and lumber.

Bulky waste should be placed out on your regular trash day, per the schedule provided. Please make an effort to not restrict access to your garbage tote with bulky debris. Note: a separate truck will collect bulky waste.



WE ARE AIMING TO AVOID MESSSES LIKE THIS!

### TRASH COLLECTION

Please have all your trash, recycling and bulky debris at the curb or street line by 6:00AM on your scheduled collection day. No materials are to be placed out more than 24 hours in advance of collection. **The City issued trash totes and recycling bins should NOT be placed in the street, buried in snow or on top of snow banks and must be accessible for collection.** Empty receptacles must be removed from the curb within 12 hours of collection.

Weekly, on your scheduled collection day, the City will pick up the City issued green trash tote AND two (2) clear bags of Yard Debris. The clear bags must not exceed 30-lbs in weight. Large appliances will also be accepted. (Any appliance with refrigerant must be certified as removed prior to collection.)

### TRASH COLLECTION CONT.

On non-bulk collection weeks, the City will have crews collecting brush. Please neatly stack brush.

**ADDITIONAL CITY ISSUED TOTES:** Residential producers of garbage are limited to one garbage tote per dwelling unit with a maximum of four (4) per property. Where less than four (4) totes have been issued, residents may request one (1) additional tote for and annual fee of \$65. This fee includes the tote, collection and disposal. Fees will be added to the resident's tax bill the year following the request. Please contact DPW in you wish to request an additional tote.

If you have received an additional tote that you wish to return, you may do so via request to DPW. Fees for the following year will be waived for carts returned prior to December 31st.



### UNACCEPTABLE BULK

- Tires
- Electronics (TVs, Computers, etc.)
- Bathubs
- Concrete (call DPW)
- Dirt (call DPW)
- Fencing
- Glass Doors (call DPW)
- Roofing Materials
- Windows (Call DPW)
- Automotive Parts / Engines / Boats
- Garage Doors
- Plastic Film/Wrap
- Hot Tubs / Spas
- Loose Debris
- Trailers
- Truck Caps / Bed Liners
- Debris from a Private Contractor
- All Radioactive, Biomedical
- Explosive, Toxic and/or Hazardous Materials

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- Holiday
- Skip Collection
- Heavy Bulk Pickup

## Managing Special Wastes

Solutions for wastes that require extra care



### Pharmaceutical Waste and Syringes

The NTPD will anonymously accept all solid medications in a drop box hosted at the Police Station during normal business hours. NO MEDICAL SHARPS in bin, please. For all needles and syringes, please contact the prescriber, or return to local hospital or nursing home (call ahead advised).



### Electronics

NYS has banned certain electronics from disposal, such as TVs, computers, monitors, printers, DVD/DVR/VCR, gaming consoles and computer peripherals. Residents may bring these items, limit 4 TV/monitors to DPW. Proof of residency is required.



### Tires

Tires can be brought to DPW at 758 Erie Ave., weekdays from 7:00am—3:00pm (please ring doorbell at the double glass door for assistance.) Fees apply.



### Household Hazardous Wastes

Niagara County will host several events in 2021. For date/time and registration information, visit [www.rethinkyourwaste.com](http://www.rethinkyourwaste.com).

For more immediate solutions, please contact Hazman ([www.hazmanusa.com](http://www.hazmanusa.com) or 716-998-8073) to schedule a drop off at their facility in Tonawanda, NY.

### OTHER ITEMS

**Cooking Oil / Waste Oil :** Please bring to DPW during normal business hours. Note: All service stations which sell motor oil will accept up to 5 –gallons per day.

**Latex Paint:** Please remove lid and allow to dry before placing in trash. To dry out paint, remove lid and place in a well ventilated area or mix with an absorbent such as saw dust or kitty litter. Coming November 2021, NYS will host drop off locations.

**Propane Cylinders:** Please bring to DPW during normal business hours.

**Automotive Batteries:** Please bring to DPW during normal business hours.

**Dusts:** Loose materials such as ashes, dust, and sweepings should be bagged prior to placing in tote.