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SOCRRA COLLECTION GUIDE

Recycling, Yard Waste Brush & Trash

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Berkley - Beverly Hills - Birmingham - Clawson
Ferndale - Hazel Park - Huntington Woods - Lathrup Village
Oak Park - Pleasant Ridge - Royal Oak - Troy

QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE

RECYCLE CURBSIDE

- Air conditioners
- Aseptic containers (Juice Boxes, Milk Cartons)
- Barbeque grills
- Batteries (AA, C, D, Button)
- Bicycles
- Cardboard boxes
- Glass bottles and jars
- Hot water tanks
- Junk mail
- Lawn mowers
- Papers
- Paperback books
- Plastic containers
- Refrigerators
- Washing machines

CUT TO SIZE

- Logs: Cut to 2 feet long, or less, and bundle as trash
- Lumber: Cut to 4 feet long, or less, and bundle as trash

TRASH/YARD WASTE/OTHER

- Shrubs: Small ones in yard waste container; others in trash
- Styrofoam: Use elsewhere or trash
- Tires: Take to tire installation store
- Toilets: Trash
- Tree stumps: Contact your city or private hauler
- Twigs: Yard waste

RECYCLE AT DROP-OFF CENTER

Everything that goes in your recycling bin plus:

- Batteries (auto, boat, lantern, lead acid)
- CD, DVD, VHS tapes and cassettes, floppy discs (cases recycled separately)
- Clothes, shoes, toys and blankets
- Hardcover books
- Paper shredding available
- Plastic bags

TAKE TO TRANSFER STATION FOR A FEE

- Auto parts
- Building materials
- Concrete
- Demolition material
- Shingles

BY APPOINTMENT (248) 288-5153

- Chemicals
- Compact fluorescent bulbs
- Computer equipment
- Cooking oil
- Electronic equipment
- Fluorescent light bulbs
- Gasoline
- Insulin syringes
- Motor oil
- Paint
- Pesticides
- Propane tanks
- Televisions
- Thermometers

Now You Can Recycle More Yard Waste!

Residents may now set out more items in their yard waste containers for curbside collection.

WHAT ITEMS CAN I PLACE IN MY YARD WASTE CONTAINER?

Grass clippings, leaves, garden waste, spent flowers and plants, weeds, tree and shrub trimmings, small twigs, Halloween pumpkins, pine needles and cones, wood chips, sawdust, potting soil, clean dirt, vines, fruit and vegetable peelings from kitchen.

PLEASE **DO NOT** INCLUDE WITH YARD WASTE:

Meat, fish, bones, oils and fats, dairy products, pet manure, cat litter, cooked food, bread, noxious weeds, charcoal from barbeque, coffee grounds, paper products, plastics marked biodegradable, egg shells.

HOLIDAY INTERRUPTIONS

When one of the following holidays falls on a weekday, collection for the holiday and remaining days of the week will be delayed one day:

- New Year's Day
- Memorial Day
- Independence Day
- Labor Day
- Thanksgiving
- Christmas Day

REPORT ALL SCAVENGERS TO YOUR CITY

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RECYCLING

What can I recycle at the curb?

- All papers, newspapers, magazines, mail, paperback books and paperboard boxes
- All plastic containers that fit in your bin
- Cardboard boxes
- Glass bottles and jars
- Empty metal cans and small scrap metal objects
- Household batteries in clear baggie
- Large metal items such as BBQ grills, bicycles, appliances, etc.



How do I prepare recyclables?

Set clean, acceptable recyclables in your curbside recycle bin. Large metal items should be placed near your recycle bin. Residents may use more than one recycle bin. Cardboard must be flattened and either taped together or stuffed into another box. Filled bins or boxes cannot weigh more than 60 pounds each.

Check the SOCRRA website (www.socrra.org) for a copy of the Curbside Recycling Guidelines.



YARD WASTE

What is yard waste?

See expanded list of yard waste items on panel labeled "Now You Can Recycle More Yard Waste!"



How do I prepare yard waste for collection?

Yard waste may be placed in 35-gallon trash cans, clearly labeled or marked with a "yard waste" sticker (available at city offices) or 30-gallon paper yard waste bags available at most hardware stores. Containers or bags cannot weigh more than 50 pounds each. **Berkley** residents are required to purchase tags for yard waste collection during specific times each year. Please contact Berkley for more information.

Why must I separate these items?

Yard waste is banned from disposal in Michigan landfills. SOCRRA converts yard waste into compost, a useful nutrient-rich soil amendment.

What about brush and branches larger than twigs?

See Brush.

Is yard waste collected year-round?

No, weekly curbside collection is provided from the first Monday in April through the third Friday in December.

What if I have yard waste when collection isn't provided?

SOCRRA residents can bring yard waste to the SOCRRA Transfer Station at 995 Coolidge Road in Troy at no charge from mid-December through March. Check the SOCRRA website at (www.socrra.org) for exact dates.

BRUSH

Easiest Option:

Cut branches, sticks and twigs no longer than 4 feet and place inside yard waste bag or can.



Stacking/Bundling Options:

Residents of **Berkley, Birmingham, Ferndale, Hazel Park, Lathrup Village & Oak Park** are to neatly stack 4 to 12 foot long branches (up to 6-inch diameter) at the curb, with large ends closest to the street, so they can be chipped by their City's contractor or, branches can be cut into 4 to 4 ½ foot lengths, bundled with twine and placed at curb to be collected as trash (bundles cannot weigh more than 40 pounds). Residents of **Beverly Hills, Clawson, Pleasant Ridge, Royal Oak & Troy** are to cut branches 4 to 4 ½ feet long, bundle and place at curb, for collection as trash, or hire a private contractor to chip branches. Residents of **Huntington Woods** are to neatly stack 4 to 12 foot long branches (up to 6-inch diameter) for chipping by the City's contractor.

What about logs, firewood and lumber?

Firewood and logs, wood ashes and untreated, unpainted wood boards (2 x 4s or 4 x 4s) (nails removed, please) can be cut to fit in your yard waste container and placed at the curb for pickup.

TRASH

How do I prepare trash for collection?

Place trash out by 7:00 AM. Place in bags or cans no larger than 35-gallons. Bags cannot weigh more than 40 pounds and cans cannot weigh more than 60 pounds.



How do I dispose of large items such as a sofa, old carpet or a refrigerator?

Large items may be set to the curb for collection on your regular trash day. Carpet must be cut and bundled in 4 foot lengths. Refrigerator doors must be removed and set next to unit for safety reasons. Refrigerators will be collected for recycling.

Is there anything I cannot put out for trash collection?

Yes, there are certain items that are not collected in SOCRRA communities including household hazardous waste (see below). See EXCLUDED ITEMS for additional information.

What about household hazardous waste?

Residents of SOCRRA's member communities are provided with convenient and effective ways of disposing of household waste products that require special handling, processing and disposal such as paints, pesticides, solvents, motor oil and insulin syringes. Materials are collected by appointment only. Please call (248) 288-5153 to schedule an appointment.



Check the SOCRRA website (www.socrra.org) for a complete list of what is accepted.

What about electronics like computers and TVs?

Residents of SOCRRA's member communities can make an appointment at SOCRRA's Troy facility to take items such as computer monitors, televisions, CPUs, printers, radios, telephones and fax machines for recycling. Please call (248) 288-5153 to schedule an appointment.



Check the SOCRRA website (www.socrra.org) for a complete list of what is accepted.

For specific questions about trash in your community, please contact your Department of Public Works for more information. See member city contact list on the back side of this brochure.

EXCLUDED CURBSIDE ITEMS

There are certain items that are **NOT** acceptable for curbside collection:

- Liquids
- Radioactive items
- Flammable products
- Explosives
- Infectious materials
- Asbestos insulation
- Tires
- Hazardous waste
- Tree stumps
- Engines
- Transmissions
- Rear axles
- Construction items from a private contractor's work
- Loose items: Bricks, broken concrete or dirt

These materials must be disposed of privately. See www.socrra.org or call (248) 288-5150 for locations, hours, rates and procedures. Limited amounts of construction items from home occupant's personal repair or remodeling are acceptable; however, items cannot be longer than 4 feet in length.

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Community Partners in Recycling & Waste

Recycling Drop-Off Center & Transfer Station
995 Coolidge (across from Meijer)
Please call (248) 288-5150 for fees, hours of operation and preparation of materials.