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**Solid Waste & Recycling Department**

**803-929-6000**

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## **Richland County Solid Waste and Recycling: Facilities and Quick Contacts**

**For all Information and Concerns:**

Call our Customer Service at 803-929-6000

**Richland County Solid Waste Office/**

**C&D Landfill**

1070 Caughman Rd North  
Columbia, SC 29203

**Lower Richland Drop-off Site**

10531 Garners Ferry Rd  
Eastover, SC 29044

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Solid Waste and Recycling  
1070 Caughman Rd North  
Columbia, SC 29203

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## Further Information

### Quick Contacts:

City of Columbia Sanitation	545-3800
Arcadia Lakes	782-2272
City of Forest Acres	782-4719
Town of Irmo	781-7050
Town of Eastover	353-2281
Town of Blythewood	754-0501
Lexington County	755-3325
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### Richland County Solid Waste and Recycling: Related Websites

Richland County: [www.rcgov.us](http://www.rcgov.us)

Richland County Solid Waste and Recycling:  
[www.rcgov.us/departments/solidwaste/index.asp](http://www.rcgov.us/departments/solidwaste/index.asp)

SC DHEC (Department of Health and Environmental Control)  
[www.scdhec.gov](http://www.scdhec.gov)

Land and Waste Management: Solid Waste -  
Find more information on regulations and Disposal Facilities:  
[www.scdhec.gov/environment/lwm/html/solidwaste.htm](http://www.scdhec.gov/environment/lwm/html/solidwaste.htm)

Solid Waste Reduction and Recycling -  
Find drop off sites and more information on how or what to recycle:  
[www.scdhec.gov/environment/lwm/recycle/index.htm](http://www.scdhec.gov/environment/lwm/recycle/index.htm)

Keep the Midlands Beautiful  
[www.keepthemidlandsbeautiful.com/](http://www.keepthemidlandsbeautiful.com/)

# Illegal Dumping

All Refuse **MUST** be disposed of at an approved Disposal Site.

## Richland County Ordinance Section 12-21: Unlawful disposal generally

- (a) It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation to dump or cause to be dumped any garbage, trash, litter, junk, appliances, equipment, can, bottles, paper, construction and demolition debris, bricks, blocks, concrete, asphalt, lumber, trees, tree limbs, tree stumps brush or parts thereof, or brush stumps anywhere in the unincorporated area of the county except at approved solid waste management facilities that have been approved by the County Council or as otherwise provided for under Article 111 of this chapter.



Illegal Disposal Pile

# Richland County Solid Waste and Recycling

INFORMATION FOR COLLECTION AREAS 2, 5A, 5B, 6, 7

Richland County Solid Waste and Recycling provides services to the residents of the County in order to assist with the proper management of waste and recycling.

## Household Curbside Collection

Curbside Collection is provided to Richland County residents in Unincorporated areas and to residents of the Town of Blythewood. For other residents, please contact the Municipality you are within for further information on waste disposal (see page 31 for contact information). Curbside collection includes Household garbage, Recycling, Yard waste and Bulk or Large items. For more information, see Page 4. For Household Hazardous Waste, see Page 18 for information on what the proper method of disposal is.

## Drop-Off Items

Richland County provides multiple locations to drop off items not picked up Curbside such as Electronics, Oil and Oil Filters, Tires, Tree Removal Waste not eligible for Curbside pickup, Construction Debris and more. See Page 19 for further information.

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## **DISCLAIMER**

Richland County Solid Waste and Recycling publishes this booklet to provide information on Solid Waste Services that is current at time of printing. However, *information contained in the booklet is subject to change without notice.*

**Please contact the Richland County Ombudsman at 803-929-6000 for any questions or confirmation on services provided.**

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## Richland County Curbside Pickup

Richland County provides citizens of unincorporated areas, along with the Town of Blythewood, with weekly curbside pickup for Household Garbage and Yard Waste. Recycling is collected every other week and Bulk or Large Items are picked up by appointment only (no fee). Contact **Richland County** at **803-929-6000** to determine the pickup days for your property or to arrange an appointment time for pickup of bulk or large items.

### New Housing and Service Setup:

For newly constructed houses, a \$48 fee and a partial service fee will be incurred to initiate service. These fees cover pick up and administrative costs for starting collection services at that residence. Before a garbage roll cart and recycling roll cart can be delivered, the Certificate of Occupancy (CO) must be completed by Richland County Building Inspection, the \$48 setup fee and a partial service fee must be paid to Richland County Finance Department. A yearly service fee is charged for curbside collection. Partial service fees are charged based upon the date curbside service commences after the CO is issued. Once the payment information and the completed CO have been sent to Richland County Solid Waste & Recycling, the garbage roll cart and the recycling roll cart will be scheduled for delivery. Contact Richland County at 803-929-6000 to set up an account and to determine current fees. A new garbage roll cart and recycling roll cart will then be delivered to your address. **SEE BELOW IF MOVING FROM ANOTHER HOUSE.**

If moving into a previously occupied residence, a garbage roll cart and recycling roll cart should be present at the property. If either of the carts are missing, contact Richland County at 803-929-6000 regarding obtaining the missing cart (s).

The annual fee for garbage collection will be included in each property owner's tax bill for the year following issuance of the CO.

### Moving?

**Do NOT take roll carts with you when you move. Roll carts are to remain with the house for which they were issued. It is illegal for anyone other than Solid Waste & Recycling personnel to transport Richland County roll carts.** If a roll cart is found to be missing from the new address, contact **Richland County** at **803-929-6000** to schedule delivery of a replacement.

## Transporting Loads



Unsecured load



Secured load



Unsecured load

# Transporting Loads

When transporting refuse or debris, all material must be secured adequately. Do NOT use your roll cart for transporting any materials; it must remain at the residence it is assigned to.

## Transportation of Refuse

Richland County Ordinance Section 12-19

(a) It shall be unlawful for any person to haul, convey or cause to be conveyed any refuse upon or along the public streets and roadways except when the material transported is adequately secured in such a manner as to prevent it from falling, leaking or being blown from transporting vehicles. The owner or driver of the offending vehicle shall be personally responsible for any violation of this section.

(b) It shall be a violation of this article for any person not authorized by the County to collect and haul any refuse other than that arising from his own accumulation within any area of the county in which refuse collection service is maintained by the county.



Proper way to secure load

# Richland County Curbside Pickup

## Garbage Roll Carts and Recycling Roll Carts:

Garbage Roll Carts and Recycling Roll Carts are provided by Richland County at the start of service and are considered the property of Richland County. Each cart has a unique number that is assigned to the address of service. **Garbage roll carts and recycling roll carts should NOT be removed from the assigned property for any reason, including the transportation of trash or other debris to another location. Removal of a cart is considered a crime.** If your carts is stolen, report it immediately to Richland County at 803-929-6000. **If you find your missing cart, please report it immediately.** Do NOT take or use a neighbor's garbage cart, instead place garbage in closed bags at the curb on your scheduled pick up day until a replacement roll cart is delivered. Using more than one County garbage roll cart is only allowed if you are paying for the additional service.

## Holiday Schedule for pickup

There will be **NO CURBSIDE COLLECTION** ON **New Year's Day, Memorial Day, July 4th, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day**. When collection is interrupted due to a holiday your garbage, recycling or yard waste will be picked up the day following your usual pick-up day.

Call Richland County at 803-929-6000 for information on all schedule changes.



## Household Garbage Curbside Rules

### When to Roll It Out and Roll It In

On the morning of your weekly collection day, your roll cart must be at the curb by 7:00 AM. Please remove your cart from the curb by 7:30 PM of your collection day.

### Where to Park It

Roll your cart to the curb or the edge of the street (**see photo for proper placement**). Make sure the cart is on the property-side of the curb and **NOT on the street**. The collector will return your cart to the same place. Please do not place your cart in the street or the path of the mail truck. Place your cart at least four feet from yard waste, and other obstacles.

**Note:** Some communities require backyard pickup. Such communities are charged for the extra service and may have different placement requirements.



Proper Cart placement (curb and sidewalk—left, rural area—right)

**NOTE: New Recycling Roll Carts should be positioned the same as Garbage Roll Carts**

If you are a customer with a disability or other physical limitations, you may be eligible to have the collector bring your roll cart to the curb and back at no additional charge. A doctor's statement is required for each person at the residence. Please contact Richland County for more information at 803-929-6000.

## Drop off Information

### What do I do with items not accepted at Drop-off sites?

Contact the Richland County Ombudsman's Office at 803-929-6000, or the Richland County C&D Landfill at 803-576-2390 for any concerns or questions about proper waste disposal.

**Items not accepted, such as household waste, may be taken to:**

Waste Management Landfill  
1047 Highway Church Road  
Elgin, South Carolina  
Telephone (803) 744-3345



**Clemson Road Drop Off Site**

## Drop off Information

### **Richland County Maintained Drop-Off Facilities**

**NOTE:** The following sites are unattended and take limited items!

#### **Richland County Public Works Facility** (Hours: 7AM-6PM)

400 Powell Road  
Columbia, South Carolina  
Telephone (803) 576-2400

*Items accepted: Recycling (cardboard and chipboard boxes, newspaper/junk mail, plastics, aluminum, metal cans, glass), Used oil, Gas/Oil Mixtures and Used Oil Filters.*

#### **Clemson's Sandhill Research and Education Center** (Open 24 Hours a Day)

900 Clemson Road (directly across from the Village at Sandhill)  
Columbia, South Carolina  
Telephone (803) 929-6000

*Items accepted: Recycling (cardboard and chipboard boxes, newspaper/junk mail, plastics, aluminum, metal cans, glass)*

#### **Ballentine Drop-Off Site** (Open 24 Hours a Day)

1009 Bickley Road  
Irmo, SC 29063

*Items accepted: Recycling (cardboard and chipboard boxes, newspaper/junk mail, plastics, aluminum, metal cans, glass)*

#### **Sonoco Recycling** (Open 24 Hours a Day)

1132 Idlewilde Blvd (off of Bluff Road)  
Columbia, South Carolina  
Telephone (803) 929-6000

*Items accepted: Recycling (cardboard and chipboard boxes, newspaper/junk mail, plastics, aluminum, metal cans, glass)*

**NOTE: Items left on ground that are not acceptable will be subject to illegal dumping fines.**

## Household Garbage Cart Care

Roll carts are the property of Richland County. Homeowners are responsible for their care. Carts, with proper care from citizens/haulers, should last for 10 years or more.

### **What to Throw Away**

Your garbage roll cart is for disposing of regular household garbage. Before you place household garbage in your county roll cart, please make sure it is in a bag and is tied securely. **Bag and tie so garbage won't fly!** Plastic shopping bags are good to use as garbage bags and you can use the handles as ties. **Pet owners:** please seal animal waste and cat litter in plastic bags or sealed container. **Do NOT use your garbage roll cart for yard waste, recycling, hot ashes, flammable liquids, dead animals, hazardous waste or construction debris.**

### **Excess Waste**

If you have extra garbage that does not fit in your assigned roll cart, place the excess in a tied bag next to the roll cart for pickup. If you routinely have excess waste, a second roll cart can be assigned to your property for an additional fee. Contact Richland County at 803-929-6000 for more information.

### **How to Be Cart Smart**

Keep the lid closed on your cart to deter flies and animals. Don't overload your cart. Try to store your cart in a cool dry place away from direct sunlight and other sources of heat. Keep items that decompose quickly in a cool place until collection day. Do **NOT** drag, damage, alter, cut, write, mark or paint on the cart. **Periodically wash your cart out with regular soap and water.** Richland County does not replace carts because they are soiled.

If your cart is damaged to where it cannot roll, the lid cannot shut, or it cannot safely hold household garbage contact Richland County for a replacement at 803-929-6000.

## Cart Replacement

If your garbage roll cart or recycling roll cart is damaged such that it can't roll, the lid cannot shut or it cannot safely hold its' contents, please contact the Richland County at 929-6000 and a request will be sent to the Solid Waste & Recycling Department. A roll cart technician will be dispatched to the location and make a determination if the garbage cart or recycling cart needs to be repaired or replaced. A fee may be assessed for unjustified cart replacement if the citizen is determined to have damaged the cart.

**CARTS WILL NOT BE EXCHANGED BECAUSE THEY ARE DIRTY.**



**Serviceable roll cart**



**Damaged roll cart**



**New Recycling Carts to replace smaller Red Bins**

## Drop off Information

### **Richland County Maintained Drop-Off Facilities**

**Attended Facilities that take almost all drop off items (call Facility to confirm if unsure, check lists on pages 20 to 23)**

#### **Richland County C&D Landfill**

1070 Caughman Road North  
Columbia, South Carolina  
Telephone (803) 576-2390

**Operational Hours:** Monday through Friday 7:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.  
Saturday 7:00 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.

#### **Lower Richland Residential Drop-Off Site**

10531 Garners Ferry Road  
Eastover, South Carolina  
Telephone (803) 776-2324

**Operational Hours:** Monday through Saturday 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday 12:30 p.m. until 5:00 p.m.

**Hours are subject to change.** Contact Richland County at 803-929-6000 for the most current hours of operation.

County Landfill and Lower Richland also accept televisions with electronics.

(Drop-Off Facilities continued on next page)



# Drop off Information

## Recycling of Clothes and Other items through D.A.R.E. America and MAC Recycling

### S.C. DARE Training Center – Executive Director Sheriff Leon Lott

Drug abuse and violence are problems that have a far-reaching effect in our society. It threatens the mental and physical health of our young people, their families and our entire society. It takes everyone working together, law enforcement, families, and community leaders to turn around young people making bad decisions. One major weapon we have is education. Drug Abuse Resistance Education - The D.A.R.E. program is supported by **Mid-Atlantic Clothing Recycling Program (M.A.C.)**



S.C. D.A.R.E. Training Center Director Deputy Arlene Sharpe 803-419-5318

(M.A.C.) contact: (704) 779-0934

Each year, 2,500,000,000 pounds of used clothing ended up in landfills. According to the EPA, 99% of that could have been reused or recycled. **Mid-Atlantic Clothing Recycling Program (M.A.C.)** is a professional clothing recycling company helping to keep millions of pounds of solid waste out of our nation's landfills. Many people donate their used clothes to charities. Since 2005, our charity of

choice is **D.A.R.E. America**, the highly acclaimed national program that gives kids the skills they need to avoid involvement in drugs, gangs and violence <http://www.dare.com/mac.asp>. Funds raised for D.A.R.E filters down to the state and local law enforcement agencies who teach the D.A.R.E. program their local school.

### What to Recycle with:



Used Clothing, Paired Shoes, Purses, Linens, Stuffed Animals, Belts

Drop off containers are located at all Richland County Drop-Off Facilities

# Recycling Curbside Pickup

Recycling is collected every other week. On the morning of your collection day, your recycling roll cart must be at the curb by 7:00 AM. Please remove your cart from the curb by 7:30 PM of your collection day. See Curbside Rules (page 6) for proper placement of the Recycling Cart.

**Cart Care:** As with the garbage roll cart, homeowners are responsible for the care of their recycling roll cart. **Periodically wash your cart out with regular soap and water.** See page 7 on How to Be Cart Smart.

## What to Recycle

Type	Description	Condition
ALUMINUM	Beverage Cans, aluminum food pans	Rinse and flatten
METAL CANS	Steel (tin) cans used for food, beverages and pet food; aerosol cans	Rinse food cans well. Paper labels do not need to be removed.
PLASTIC	Bottles, jars, tubs or trays marked by a #1 through #7 recycling symbol; no plastic bags or wrap	Rinse and flatten
CORRUGATED CARDBOARD, CHIPBOARD, PAPER BAGS	No Wax coated; Non-wax coated paper board boxes, orange juice and milk cartons, brown paper bags	Flatten, must be clean and dry.
MAGAZINES/ CATALOGS, NEWSPAPERS AND JUNK MAIL	Phone books, magazines and/or catalogs of any thickness; may include newspaper inserts. Envelopes with plastic are accepted.	Do not tie or bag.
GLASS	Bottles, jugs and jars	Rinse clean and remove lids or caps

# Recycling

## How to Recycle

All recyclables must be placed loosely in the recycling roll cart, no bagging please. Carts with the wrong items may not be emptied.



### Aluminum/ Metal Cans:

Remove food residue; labels are OK.

Aerosol cans must be empty. Aluminum food pans are accepted. No aluminum foil.



### Plastics:

Plastics that are marked as **Type 1 through 7** plastic are collected. The plastic type is located on the bottom of most products (see picture). Plastics accepted are bottles, jars, yogurt or butter tubs, plastic trays such as frozen dinner trays and plastic baskets. Do NOT include plastic utensils, cups, plates, plastic bags or plastic wrap.



Bottles and jars that have held hazardous materials such as pesticides, petroleum products and pool chemicals, will NOT be collected. Empty household bleach bottles are acceptable. Please rinse, remove lids and flatten containers to save space in the cart.

# Drop off Information

The following items are considered banned waste and can NOT be placed in a landfill. These items are accepted at Richland County Drop-Off Facilities for recycling (continued):

- **Used Motor Oil and Used Oil Filters (Residential Only) -**

Used Oil tanks are available for the proper disposal of used motor oil. Residents are asked to limit disposal to 5 (five) gallons per visit, all oil containers must remain with resident, drained and placed with household waste for proper disposal.

Used motor oil recycling includes the following types of fluids:

Gear oil, fuel oil, heating oil, kerosene, hydraulic fluid, diesel fuel, and automatic transmission fluid

Gas/Oil mixture (**Only at the Richland C&D Landfill, Powell Road Site and Lower Richland Drop-off Center**)

For other locations to drop off used oil and oil filters, visit the SCDHEC website for Richland County recycling locations:

<http://www.scdhec.gov/environment/lwm/recycle/richland.htm>

- **Used Oil Filters (Residential Only)**
- **Lead Acid Batteries (Residential Only)**



## Drop off Information

The following items are considered banned waste and can NOT be placed in a landfill. These items are accepted at Richland County Drop-Off Facilities for recycling:

- **Electronic Waste**
  - Home electronics including: TV's, VCRs, stereos, tape players, radios, fax machines, DVD players, CD players, telephones, rechargeable batteries
  - Personal computers and related equipment including: desktops, servers, laptops, docking stations, automated typewriters, copy machines, CD-ROM drives, hard drives, modems
  - Personal electronics including: mobile phones, MP3 Players, portable handheld calculators, electronic games, and PDA's
  - Other electronics including: uninterruptible power supplies, printed circuit boards, routers, power and network cables, network hubs, controllers, switching boxes, telephone systems, coffee pots, toasters, hair dryers, etc.
- **Large Household Appliances** - Stoves, refrigerators, HVAC units, trash compactors, water coolers, freezers, washer and dryer, hot water heaters.

Richland County residents are not charged for appliances generated from their primary home. Commercial entities may be **charged a disposal fee for electronics (contact Richland County at 803-929-6000 for the current fee)**.

- **Tires**

Richland County residents are allowed at no charge the disposal of 5 (five) standard car/truck tires per year. Any additional tires are charged the commercial cost. **NO AUTOMOBILE PARTS.**

All Commercial tires are charged \$100.00 (one hundred dollars) per ton.

## Recycling

### How to Recycle

#### Corrugated Cardboard, Chipboard, Cereal Boxes:

Corrugated cardboard, **no larger than 3 x 3 feet**, is accepted for recycling. **Flatten boxes** and place them in or next to your recycling cart. Corrugated cardboard is layered with a wavy middle. Cardboard must not be wax or plastic coated. Chipboard boxes, such as cereal boxes, must be clean and dry and only have stored dry, non-refrigerated foods (no beverage holder boxes). Milk and juice cartons are acceptable, rinse well before disposal. Do not tie or bag these items. Place them loosely in the recycling cart.

#### Newspaper, Magazines, Catalogs:

Newspapers, including inserts, are accepted for recycling. Telephone Books, Magazines and Catalogs of any thickness are recyclable as well as junk mail, including envelopes with plastic windows. Do not tie or bag these items. Place them loosely in the recycling cart.



#### Glass:

Glass bottles, jugs and jars of any color is accepted. Rinse clean and remove lids or caps before disposal.

#### What items NOT to include:

- Styrofoam of ANY kind (example: trays, plates, cups and egg cartons)
- Plastic Bags
- Plastic (Utensils, Cups, Plates)
- Aluminum Foil

# Yard Waste

Yard Waste is picked up weekly and should be placed at curbside on your designated day by 7:00 AM. **Do NOT place yard waste in the roadway where it could impede traffic in any manner.** Yard Waste will be collected in unlimited quantities if placed curbside.

## What does Yard Waste consist of?

### Yard Waste Definition

Grass clippings, loose leaves, pine straw, small clippings, limbs, sticks and brush generated from routine landscape maintenance of residential properties. Brush is bulky trimming and pruning waste generated from routine tree and shrubbery maintenance. Items exceeding 4 inches in diameter and 4 feet in length will not be collected.

Yard waste does **NOT** include construction or demolition debris (boards, lumber, tile, bricks, etc.) or large amounts of sand or dirt. **It does NOT include limbs, branches or trunks from trees that have a trunk size larger than 4 inches in diameter (at the base), which have either been cut down or have fallen down.** It also does **NOT** include debris from professional landscapers or homeowners that is produced above and beyond normal yard maintenance (which would include leaves, yard clippings and small branches from pruning). Larger debris must be arranged to be taken to a drop-off facility by the commercial business or the homeowner. Homeowners are responsible for the proper disposal of storm debris. Yard waste also does not include mulch.

## Requirements for Collection

Limbs can be no larger than 4 feet long and 4 inches in diameter (see picture). Tree stumps of any size will not be collected. Yard Waste will be collected in unlimited quantities. All yard waste must be free from household garbage, litter or other non-yard waste material for collection service. Do **NOT** put yard debris in your roll cart. **ANY WASTE FROM TREE REMOVAL IS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR COLLECTION.** (Continued on next page)

# Drop off Information

The following items are acceptable for recycling at Drop-Off Facilities:

- Glass: Bottles, jugs and jars, clean without lids
- Plastic: Plastics that are marked as **Type 1 through 7**, types accepted are bottles, jars, yogurt or butter tubs, plastic trays such as frozen dinner trays and plastic baskets. Do NOT include plastic utensils, cups, plates, plastic bags or plastic wrap. **Empty bottles and jars that have held hazardous materials such as pesticides, petroleum products and pool chemicals, are not accepted.** Empty household bleach bottles are acceptable. Plastic must be clean without lids.
- Aluminum / metal cans / aluminum food pans: Clean, labels are OK, do NOT include aluminum foil: aerosol cans must be empty.
- Cardboard & chipboard: Corrugated cardboard (not wax or plastic coated), dry good chipboard (cereal, pasta boxes) only, milk and juice cartons are acceptable, rinse well before disposal. Items should be clean and flattened.
- Newspaper and inserts, Magazines and Catalogs (of any size): Envelopes with plastic windows are accepted
- Electronic Waste: Computers, monitors, printers, TV's, telecommunication equipment, fax machines and televisions (any items with electrical cords)
- Rechargeable Batteries from items such as hand-held cordless tools, phones and laptop batteries



# Drop off Information

## Items Richland County will accept at its Drop-Off Facilities

See page 25 for facility locations.

The following items are acceptable for landfilling (legally able to be disposed of at the County Landfill) and can be taken at the County Drop-Off Centers:

### Yard Waste and Land-Clearing Debris

- Earthen material (clay, top soil, sand, gravel, rock)
- Vegetation (grass, logs, trees and stumps, limbs and brush, mulch)

### Bulk Items

- Furniture (examples: bed frames, mattress and box springs, table, couch, outdoor furniture)
- White goods, grills, playground equipment and other items. Call in advance for other items.

### Construction/Demolition

- Bricks and blocks, hardened concrete
- Lumber (treated and non--treated)
- Shingles and roofing material (no asbestos)
- Floor covering, (hardwood and vinyl flooring, carpet and padding, tiles)
- Wall and ceiling coverings, (drywall, plaster and plaster board, paneling, wall paper, tiles)
- Insulation material (no asbestos)
- Fiberglass and ceramic , (bathtubs, shower stalls, sinks)
- Glass windows and mirrors
- Other physically attached to structure (doors, signs, awnings, shutters)
- Other structural materials (canvas awnings, swimming pools)
- Asphalt (cured and hardened)
- **Note:** Railroad ties and Creosote (utility) poles **are NOT accepted**

# Yard Waste

Waste from tree removal must be taken to an approved disposal facility. Trees that fall down or are blown down are not eligible for collections and must be taken to an approved Drop-off or Disposal Facility. (See page 25 for locations).

Please do not place limbs, branches or leaves in creeks, storm drains or drainage ditches. All debris must be on the property-side of the curb and not in the street. You could be fined up to \$1,092.50 for placing yard waste in the street. These materials obstruct drainage flow, which increases the potential for flooding and mosquito problems.



How to measure a limb diameter.

**This limb is  
just over 4 inches and would NOT  
be accepted for curbside collection.**

## Ways To Keep Yard Waste From The Curb

Instead of bagging your grass after you mow, you can leave the clippings on the lawn. Your lawn will recycle the clippings, producing an environmentally healthy, beautiful lawn. Leaves and small shrubbery trimmings can be used as mulch around trees and bushes or can be composted.

# Yard Waste

**Tagged piles:** Your pile will be tagged if it is non-compliant, with a reason given on the tag. You will have time to correct the pile for collection the next week. If no corrections are made, a citation may be issued and the pile becomes debris on a lot (per Richland County Ordinance Sect. 12-4), or illegal dumping. (see Page 15 to view tag)



**Non-Compliant Pile**

This pile has been tagged because it is non-compliant with Richland County pickup requirements. Richland County does not pick up tree trunks or any limbs larger than 4 inches in diameter.



**Compliant Pile**

# Drop off Information for Items Not Picked Up Curbside

## **Residential Customer:**

Residents living in Richland County may drop off most items at either the Richland County C&D Landfill or the Lower Richland County Drop-Off Center free of charge when the items originate from the place of residence, and do not exceed residential limits on size/quantity. The limit for residential drop off is 4 (four) standard pickup truck loads (approx. 10 CY) per month. The items must meet acceptable guidelines. Proof of residency is required.

Residents that are dropping off items related to a second home, rental property or business must take material to the C&D Landfill and will be charged standard disposal rates.

## **Commercial Customer:**

Commercial customers may drop off acceptable items at the Richland County C&D Landfill provided:

An account must be established with the Richland County Landfill. An annual application is filled out for a fee by check or money order. Once the account is set up the customer will be charged a tipping fee per ton for each load disposed. Paying customers may also use a debit or credit card to pay for disposal. Please call 803-576-2390 for current tipping fees and annual application fees.

# Household Hazardous Waste

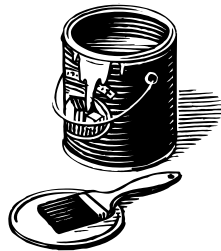
Improper disposal of household waste can cause problems for the entire community. Collectively, these materials can contaminate our water supply and the air we breathe if they're not disposed of safely.

The following suggestions can help reduce the amount of hazardous waste needing disposal:

- Read the labels on every product and make sure it is suitable for the intended purpose. Once it is purchased, you are responsible for disposing of it safely.
- Buy only as much as you need.
- Read and follow the directions on how to use the product and dispose of the container.
- Use safer substitutes whenever possible.
- Donate unused solvents, paints and other items to a local charity.

## Paint

Dried latex household paint will be accepted as part of household garbage. Let it dry completely, or add kitty litter or sand to help absorb and dry the paint. **Remove lid and place with household waste preferably in a sealed plastic bag. Wet latex paint will NOT be picked up. Oil based paints and stains will not be collected at curbside.**



## Computers/Electronics/TVs

All electronics should be RECYCLED. THESE ITEMS WILL NOT BE COLLECTED AT CURBSIDE. All computers (desktops, laptops, PDA's), electronics (VCRs, TVs, stereos, mp3 players) and small appliances (coffee pots, toasters, telephones, hair dryers) should be taken to an approved drop off facility for Recycling (See page 25 for Richland County drop-off locations).

## Medical Waste

Contact your local doctor's office, pharmacy, or hospital to find out more information on where to dispose of medical waste, including needles.

# Tag for Non-Compliance

Richland County Solid Waste & Recycling  
(803) 929-6000



## SERVICE NOTICE



1 \_\_\_\_\_ Address

Truck # \_\_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_\_ Date 2 \_\_\_\_\_

Issuing Person \_\_\_\_\_ PRINT NAME

Please remove roll carts from curb after 7:30 PM on collection day. Note: If roll carts are left out after collection day, the homeowner may be issued a citation to appear in court and face a possible fine of \$1092.50 or more.

- Recycling NOT picked up because cart contains:
- |                               |                         |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|
| • food scraps                 | • plastic toys          |
| • styrofoam                   | • paper towels          |
| • coat hangers                | • styrofoam egg cartons |
| • medical waste               | • planter boxes         |
| • plastic bags, plates & cups | • needles               |
| • yard waste                  | • shoes/clothes         |
| • household garbage           |                         |

Other unacceptable item \_\_\_\_\_

### NOTE: ONLY RECYCLE THESE ITEMS CURBSIDE:

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| • Aluminum Cans   | • Cup holders made with paper                |
| • Metal Cans  | • Envelopes with plastic windows             |
| • Newspapers & inserts  | • Plastic baskets                            |
| • Magazines: 1" thick or less   | • Aluminum pie pans                          |
| • Corrugated cardboard: thicker cardboard with ridges, such as packing boxes. | • Frozen dinner trays                        |
| • All #1-#7 plastic bottles only  | • Orange juice & milk cartons                |
| Check the bottom of the bottle for the #1-#7.                                 | • Pizza boxes                                |
| • Yogurt & Butter dishes  | • Glass (bottles, jugs, jars only)           |
|   | • Plastic containers (cake plates with lids) |
|   | • Fiberboard                                 |
|   | • Phone Books                                |

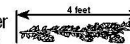
**Please remember: NO STYROFOAM, PLASTIC, PAPER PLATES OR CUPS, OR ALUMINUM FOIL**

\*\*\*Empty Containers. Remove lids Do NOT put recyclables in bags. Picked up every other week

Do NOT put yard waste in roll cart. Only household garbage goes in garbage roll cart.

Collectors do NOT pick up:

- Limbs greater than 4 ft\* or 4 in in\* diameter  
(\*Debris larger than these guidelines damages hauler's trucks)
- Construction/Demolition debris: Carpet, Shingles, Lumber, Tires, Paint, Cement, Dirt, Sand, Iron Wire.
- Debris from a tree cut commercial or residential.
- Fee's Pending Must Call.
- Other



Bulk Items Pick Up - Need to Call Ombudsman office  
For Appointment at (803) 929-6000.

## Tagged Items

Garbage carts, recycling cart, and piles of debris can all be tagged if they are non-compliant with Richland County pickup standards.

There are three tags that can be received:

**Green Tag (as shown)** — this tag is placed by the collectors

**Orange Tag** — this tag is placed by Richland County

**Yellow Tag**—Final Enforcement tag before a citation is issued with a potential fine.

### Explanation of tag:

- 1- Address of the location of the cart or debris
- 2- Time / date and Person who issued the tag
- 3- Reason that the tag was placed on the cart or debris pile

**NOTE: Limbs larger than 4 inches in diameter will be tagged as well, even though it is not specified on the tag.**

If the issues on the tag are resolved, no further action will be taken. A Yellow Tag will be issued if items are left unaddressed.

## Bulk Items/ Large Items

### Bulk Items / Large Items

Bulk Items and/or Large Items are picked up by appointment only. No fee will be charged for pickup at a residential location. Place such items curbside on your designated appointment day by 7:00 AM. Such items must be placed at a distance from other pickup items, such as the recycling cart, yard waste pile, or garbage cart.

**Call 803-929-6000 for an appointment time and also instructions on whether bulk and brown items can be picked up together.**

**Items identified as bulk (White Goods):** refrigerator, stove, washer, dryer, dishwasher, hot water heater, or other large white good household items. Also allowed are metal grills (no gas or propane tanks), swing sets (disassembled and any concrete removed from poles or posts), push mowers (remove gas and oil) and bikes. Such items must be generated by the residential household from which they are collected. Doors on all items must be removed prior to pickup.

#### **Bulk Item - white goods, such as a washer**



**Large items (Brown Goods):** furniture, such as chairs, sofas, tables, mattresses and box springs. Other items that can be picked up are patio furniture and single form plastic pools.

**Examples of items that are NOT included** are gym equipment, pianos/ organs, pool tables, electronics including TV's, exterior structures (such as fencing, decks, dog houses), interior remodeling debris (this includes toilets, sinks and tubs), 55 gallon drums, tires, gas engines or car parts.

## Bulk Items/ Large Items

A sofa is a Large Item considered a “brown good”



**For questions on the pickup of a specific item, please contact Richland County at 803-929-6000 to be sure that your item is able to be collected.**

**Construction/demolition debris** (to include carpet, padding, shingles, lumber, cement, sand, and dirt) **is not collected curbside by Richland County** and should be taken to a designated Drop-Off Facility (See page 25 for locations).

#### **EVICTIONS:**

Property owners or tenants should make sure when placing out unwanted items that they are separated for proper pickup. Furniture should be set in a separate pile for pickup, while clothing and other loose items should be bagged and placed with the garbage roll cart.

