

Resident
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Cincinnati OH 45202

YOUR TRASH IS CHANGING

SPRING & SUMMER 2013



**DO YOUR PART
USE YOUR CART**

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WHAT ARE THE CHANGES?

- Many households will receive one new 65-gallon trash cart.
- Trash carts will be delivered this spring and summer to eligible households.
- Starting Oct. 7, 2013, the City will stop picking up trash from residential buildings with 5 or more units, commercial buildings, and mixed-use buildings.

WHEN WILL I GET A CART?

- Delivery starts April 2013 and will be complete by September 2013.
- Eligible households will receive **only one** cart.
- Eligible households with Monday trash pickup will get their carts first, followed by Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and finally Friday households later in the summer.
- Please use your cart for at least 2 weeks before deciding if you want to swap for a different size.

Semi-automation means city workers won't manually lift and dump your trash anymore. Instead, they will **roll your cart** to the truck. They'll hook your cart's "**lift bar**" onto the truck's **mechanical arm**, which does the heavy lifting. This method will **protect workers' health** and **save taxpayer money** by reducing worker injuries.

WHAT GOES IN MY CART?

- All household trash must fit in your City-issued cart.
- **If your trash isn't in the City-issued cart, it won't be collected.**
- If you have bulky items, such as furniture, tires or appliances, please call **513 591 6000** to schedule a pickup.

WHY THE CHANGES?

- Carts will make trash collection semi-automated, which is more efficient.
- Semi-automation will reduce worker injuries, which saves taxpayer money.
- Fewer employees will be needed to collect trash, freeing up workers to help with other important services.
- Carts have attached lids, so it will help keep neighborhoods cleaner.
- It will increase recycling.



YARD WASTE COLLECTION

Separate yard waste collection begins April 1, 2013. Yard waste will be collected every other week, on the same day as your recycling. Look on www.cincinnati-oh.gov/trash to find your week (Green or Gold).

- Put yard waste next to your trash and recycling.
- It must be in a closed can or paper yard waste bag.
- **Clearly label** it with the words "Yard Waste."
- Branches & brush can be tied in bundles less than 48" long.
- Yard waste cannot exceed 40 lbs.
- **Reuse old trash cans** by labeling them "Yard Waste."

RECYCLING

Recycling can reduce your amount of trash. Place these items in your green recycling cart:

- Plastic bottles & jugs (NOTE: top of the container must be smaller than the bottom)
- Glass jars & bottles (any color)
- Aluminum & steel cans
- Empty aerosol cans (lids & tips removed)
- Paperboard (cereal boxes, 12-pack containers, etc.)
- Cardboard (in 3'-by-3' sections)
- Paper products, such as:
 - Office paper
 - Newspapers & magazines
 - Junk mail & envelopes
 - Telephone books
 - Paper grocery bags

OLD TRASH CANS

If you want to **get rid of** your old trash can, set it out on your regular trash day, upside down. Clearly label the trash can with the words "Remove Can."

COMMERCIAL, LARGER RESIDENTIAL & MIXED USE

Beginning Oct. 7, 2013, the City will no longer provide trash pickup to commercial buildings, mixed-use buildings or buildings with 5 or more residential units.

Owners of these properties can visit www.cincinnati-oh.gov/trash for further details about how to find a registered trash hauler.

If you have questions or concerns as to whether you will still receive City trash service, please call **513 591 6000**.

IMPORTANT TRASH RULES

CUSTOMER SERVICE

Visit 5916000.com or call **513 591 6000** for:

- Cart repairs
- A different sized cart
- Reporting a stolen cart
- Reporting a missed trash pickup

Residents with **physical restrictions** should call **513 591 6000** if they cannot place their cart at the curb.

DO

Put all household trash in the cart.

Have your trash at the curb by 6am on your pickup day.

Fully close the lid on your cart or it will not be collected.

Take care of your cart.

Leave your trash cart at your home if you move.

Call **513 591 6000** if your cart is stolen or damaged.

DON'T

DON'T put your trash cart out earlier than 5pm the night before your pickup day.

DON'T abuse your cart.

DON'T put demolition debris, yard waste or hazardous materials in the cart.

DON'T write on, mark up, paint, cut or alter your cart in any way.

DON'T trade carts with a neighbor.

DON'T put trash at the curb on City holidays. Visit www.cincinnati-oh.gov/trash for a list of City holidays.