



# COG TRASH GUIDELINES

## CURBSIDE COLLECTION

*Benner, College, Ferguson, Harris & Patton Townships*

[www.crcog.net/refuse](http://www.crcog.net/refuse)

### CURBSIDE COLLECTION

- All trash and recyclables must be grouped together at curbside no later than 7:00 a.m. on collection day (6 a.m. from Memorial Day through Labor Day.)
- Use proper containers: plastic garbage bags or 35 gallon garbage cans. Maximum weight for each is 40 pounds (cans or bags).
- Regular Service is limited to 8 bags/cans per week. Low usage is limited to 1 bag/can per week.
- Containers may NOT be placed continuously at the curb. Remove no later than midnight on the day of collection. Store containers inside or adjacent to the residence when not placed curbside for collection.
- You are responsible for cleanup of disturbed or scattered garbage.

### **BULK ITEM COLLECTION—SMALL AND LARGE**

SMALL BULK ITEMS weighing less than 40 pounds, may be left out for weekly collection in place of a can or bag at no additional fee as long as one person can lift them and they will not damage the truck. No tires, covered electronic devices, or large appliances.

LARGE BULK ITEMS are collected at the curb during Bulk Waste Weeks, twice a year in May & October, at no additional fee. See [www.crcog.net/refuse](http://www.crcog.net/refuse) for dates. Contact your landlord or hauler to discuss disposal options during other times.

*Consider donating BULK ITEMS in good condition. [www.crcog.net/REUSE](http://www.crcog.net/REUSE)*



**PLEASE RECYCLE:** *Recycling bins* are to ***remain with the property*** when you move out.

### **REFUSE AND RECYCLING SERVICE OPTIONS:**

Each bag or container shall be no more than 35 gallons in volume and no more than 40 pounds.

**ANY EXTRA BAGS ARE \$2.00 EACH**

### **INCLUDED WITH BOTH SERVICE LEVELS:**

- Unlimited recycling
- Semi-annual bulk waste collection
- Christmas tree recycling collection

### **ADDITIONAL SERVICE OPTION:**

**Door Refuse Service** - At the door refuse service can be provided for an additional \$10.00 per month.

*The Centre Region COG is the designated agent for the participating municipalities.*

Call (814) 234-7198 or email [recycler@crcog.net](mailto:recycler@crcog.net)

For more information, visit <http://crcog.net/refuse>

## REFUSE COLLECTION GUIDELINES

**Secure all trash in bags or standard sized (up to 33 gallon) cans—filled weight shall not exceed forty (40) pounds.**

Customers can place up to 8 bags or containers at the curb for weekly collection.

You may place small bulk items curbside on your regular service day to count as one of your 8 bags as long as they meet the following restrictions:

- 1) Item weighs less than forty (40) pounds
- 2) One person can lift the item
- 3) Item will not damage the trucks

**BULK COLLECTION:** Each spring and fall, free bulk waste collections for items too large to containerize are scheduled. If you need to dispose of any large bulk items at a different time than the scheduled free collection, please contact visit our website at [wm.com](http://wm.com)

### **YARD TRIMMINGS AND BRUSH:**

Brush and leaves are collected through your municipality. Please contact them for collection schedules or visit the yard waste section at Centre Region COG's website: [www.crcog.net/refuse](http://www.crcog.net/refuse).

While municipal yard waste options exist, your hauler will collect bundles or bags of brush or yard trimmings in place of the same number of refuse bags. Yard trimmings and brush must be prepared in the following manner:

- 1) Cut in lengths not exceeding six (6) feet
- 2) No larger than four (4) inches in diameter
- 3) Each bundle/bag shall not exceed forty (40) pounds
- 4) No grass clippings.

**RENTAL PROPERTY OWNERS:** All rental property owners are responsible for ensuring that their properties are in compliance with all solid waste and recycling ordinances. Program participation and payment are the responsibilities of the property owner.

**ELECTRONICS COLLECTION:** State law requires computers, TVs and their peripherals to be recycled. For no charge you can recycle electronics at the Centre County Recycling and Refuse Authority, other participating recycling centers, or during Bulk Collection.

### **Helpful collection tips:**

**Package glass** or any **sharp object** carefully. Double or triple bagging as well as identifying the materials is very helpful and can help avoid injuries to our employees.

**During winter months**, please be sure that the area where your refuse is placed is clear of snow and ice. This will help prevent missed pickups and ensure the safety of our employees.

### **Days & Hours of Collection**

**Collection Days** – Your refuse and recycling pickup day will remain the same. If a change in your pickup day is necessary, we will contact you in advance.

**Collection Hours** – 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM. Please set refuse and recycling at the curb before 7:00 AM to ensure pickup. From Memorial Day through Labor Day collection will begin at 6:00 AM.

**Holidays** – Should your pickup day fall on or after the following holidays, your refuse and recycling services will be delayed one (1) day the week of the holiday: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day.

**Changes to this schedule will be posted on the CRCOG website and communicated through email and phone alerts.**

### **BILLING AND PAYMENTS**

**Quarterly Bills** - You will be billed quarterly in advance of service, and payment is due by the end of the quarter.

**Online Bill Payment** - You may now pay your invoice online at by creating an online account at [wm.com](http://wm.com)

**Late Fees** - A finance charge of the greater of \$5.95 or 1.5% of the amount past due will be applied to all balances 90 days or older and will become subject to suspension.

**Suspension of Service** - All accounts suspended for non-payment after 90 days will be assessed a \$10.00 reinstatement fee, as well as a certified mailing fee at prevailing postage rates. Repeat suspensions will result in a \$50.00 reinstatement fee.

**Credits** - Credits for vacancies may be applicable. Call CRCOG at (814) 234-7198.

**Citations** - Failure to pay for refuse services may result in a citation.