



Centre Region Council of Governments Refuse & Recycling Newsletter

OCTOBER 2025

DATES TO NOTE

Holidays in 2025:

- Thanksgiving
November 27
- Christmas
December 25
- New Year's Day
January 1, 2025

If your collection day occurs on or after the holiday, collection will be delayed one day for the rest of that week.

Other Dates:

- Collection begins at 7 am - September 2
- End of free cart exchange period. September 30
- January 2026 - **Christmas tree collection.** Call or email in December to schedule to have your live tree collected curbside: 800-491-8975 or cogcs@burgmeiers.com



How to Dispose of Leaves, Brush, and Garden Waste

Brush and leaves are collected for mulching or composting by your township. Please check the township's website for the collection schedule and how to prepare your materials to ensure collection.

Loose, bagged, or bundled leaves, brush, or grass clippings will not be collected with your refuse. Do not place this material in your cart or in bags next to your cart.

Small amounts of garden waste only (spent plants and fruits, etc.) can be bagged and placed in your cart for collection. For more information, please go to www.crcog.net/refuse

The Free Cart Exchange Period is Ending

Many of our residents have taken advantage of the opportunity to exchange their cart size for free over the past 6 months. Starting **October 1**, a fee of \$25 will be assessed for residents wishing to change their cart size. The fee will not be assessed for a new property owner or a resident who finds they need an additional cart. However, if you have or request a second cart and later want it removed from the property and your invoice, the fee will apply.

Contacts and Alerts

Centre County Recycling and Refuse Authority (CCRRA) Customer Service for billing assistance, scheduling bulk waste, recycling questions, and missed recycling collections. Email: cogcs@centrecountyrecycles.org Phone: 814-826-2722

Burgmeier's Hauling Inc. (BHI) for missed refuse collection, extra bags, and Christmas trees. Email: cogcs@burgmeiers.com Phone: 814-943-8975

Centre Region Council of Governments (COG) Refuse and Recycling for questions and assistance regarding your refuse and recycling services. Email: recycler@crcog.net Phone: 814-234-7198

Sign up for Alerts Go to www.crcog.net/refuse to sign up to receive an email alert when your refuse or recycling collection is delayed for holidays, severe weather events, or other incidents.

Bulk Waste Collection Guidelines

The scheduled collection of large bulk waste items is included in the residential curbside collection costs for all residences with curbside collection in the townships. This includes the following:

- ⇒ **TWO (2) collections per year with an annual limit of FOUR (4) large bulk waste items (smaller items should go in the weekly refuse cart)**
- ⇒ **TWO (2) collections per year with an annual limit of FOUR (4) "bulk recyclable" items (see list)**

Bulk Waste Items

Furniture (larger items may need to be taken apart)
Rugs or carpeting, rolled & tied into 4 foot lengths
Fixtures (toilets, sinks, vanities, etc.)
Bundles of wood in 4 ft lengths (no brush or branches)
Grills (no propane tanks)
Yard and lawn equipment (see exclusions below)
Non-recyclable electronics (stereos, etc.)

Bulk Recyclable Items

Large Appliances
Water heaters, water conditioners, and dehumidifiers, emptied
Computers, printers, scanners, monitors
Televisions
Car tires off the rims (4 tires = 1 item)
Large scrap metal pieces (call for details)

Excluded Items and Materials

Pianos and organs
Cast Iron items & Propane Tanks
Hot tubs and furnaces
Trampolines or basketball hoops, unless taken apart
Boats and canoes
Rocks, concrete, soil, sand
Materials from home-renovation or construction projects
Contractor-generated materials
Loose piles
Riding mowers and other vehicles
Batteries for vehicles and yard equipment
Tires larger than 20" diameter

How to Schedule Bulk Collections

The collection of bulk waste items and bulk recyclables will be "on-demand." Residents can call or email a request for collection and will receive a reply that provides the exact date of the collection.

Items in excess of the annual limit can also be scheduled for collection for a fee. Replies to requests will provide that fee if applicable.

Call or email:

CCRRRA (Centre County Recycling and Refuse Authority)
814-826-2722
cogcs@centrecountyrecycles.org

Tips for Bulk Waste

1. Schedule your bulk waste and bulk recyclables collections. Please be prepared to specify exactly what is to be collected. You will be informed of the date of collection (it will not be your next regular refuse day).
2. **Large items left at the curb without being scheduled for a bulk waste or bulk recycling collection will not be collected.** Smaller items that fit in your cart can be placed in the cart for collection. Lumber in the cart must be no longer than 2 feet.
3. All bulk collections are at the curb including at residences with "door service" for weekly refuse collection.
4. Materials for collection must be at the curb by 7 A.M. (6 A.M. from Memorial to Labor Days).
5. Bulk waste and bulk recyclable collection limits refer to individual items. Multi-piece sets will be considered more than one item; call for clarification.
6. Residents can self-haul material to the Centre County Recycling and Refuse Authority's Transfer Station for a fee. This is how to dispose of materials from home construction projects (things like decking, sheds, kitchen cabinets, etc.).
7. Residents can drop off scrap metal, metal appliances, and covered device electronics (televisions, computers, and printers) at the Centre County Recycling and Refuse Authority's Transfer Station for free.
8. Please consider donating any items that are still in working condition or that others might find fixable or useful.