

# Trash, Garbage, Waste, Recycling, Refuse, Rubbish! “Every litter bit helps”

**COLLECTION SCHEDULE:** Trash – Monday and Thursday • Yard Waste – Monday • Recycling – Thursday \*MUST BE CURBSIDE BY 7 a.m.



**Here’s your weather guarantee –**  
strong breezes and high winds Thursday when all the recycling is out for collection in South Riding.

## Trash Collection

**Mondays and Thursdays**



*Properly prepared trash includes the following:*

- ◆ The container has not been placed at the curb any earlier than the evening before collection day.
- ◆ The trash is bagged and placed in a container so that if the can is knocked or blown over trash doesn’t litter the street. Further, kitchen bags full of trash attract pests.

## Trash Items NOT Collected

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| ◆ Rocks                       | ◆ Dead animals                   |
| ◆ Concrete                    | ◆ Brick                          |
| ◆ Dirt                        | ◆ Landscaping timbers            |
| ◆ Mulch                       | ◆ Asbestos                       |
| ◆ Tires                       | ◆ Lead acid/wet cell batteries ☠ |
| ◆ Sod                         | ◆ Bio-hazardous material         |
| ◆ Tree stumps                 | ◆ Needles                        |
| ◆ Motor oil ☠                 | ◆ Medical waste                  |
| ◆ Combustibles ☠              | ◆ Paint                          |
| ◆ Toxic or hazardous wastes ☠ |                                  |
| ◆ Flammable products ☠        |                                  |

## Household Paint

When wet, household paint is considered hazardous waste.

Wet paint cans in a trash truck lead to paint spills on our community streets and within the trash trucks. When spills occur, the trash contractor is required to pull their truck from the route for cleaning and maintenance which then delays collection service.

*Properly prepare paint and paint cans for collection:*

- ◆ Mix kitty litter, mulch or paint hardener (available at your local home improvement store) into your latex or water-based paints and wood stains. These items absorb and harden the paint or stain removing the “spill” factor.
- ◆ Place the cans of dry paint with the lids propped open at the curb for collection.

## HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

*HHW as defined by the EPA is any waste produced in the home that is dangerous or potentially harmful to our health or the environment.*

*Loudoun County hosts several events each year for county residents to dispose of their HHW. Visit their website at [www.Loudoun.gov](http://www.Loudoun.gov) for dates, times, locations and a list of collected items.*

*A few examples of accepted HHW items at these events are: gasoline, herbicides, pesticides and insecticides, paint thinner, ammonia and batteries.*

## Recycling Collection

**Thursdays**

*Properly prepared recycling includes the following:*

- ◆ The container has not been placed at the curb any earlier than the evening before collection day.
- ◆ Cardboard boxes are broken down and secured.
- ◆ The container is not overflowing and the lid is secure making it less susceptible to falling over and scattering debris.

## Collected Recycling Items

Single stream recycling combines mixed paper, food/beverage plastic and glass bottles and tin cans, corrugated cardboard and fiberboard in one container.

*The following items will be collected:*

- ◆ Plastic bottles and containers #1–#7 (The general rule is the higher the number of plastic, the harder it is to recycle.)
- ◆ Tin and aluminum cans (food and beverage)
- ◆ Mixed paper (junk mail, newspapers, magazines, cereal boxes, flattened cardboard, cardstock, office paper)
- ◆ Books (hardbacks, paperbacks, textbooks, telephone)

## Items NOT collected with Recycling

*The following items will ONLY be collected with TRASH:*

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|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| ◆ Windows                   | ◆ Pie tins                                       |
| ◆ Cups and drinking glasses | ◆ Scrap metal                                    |
| ◆ Plates                    | ◆ Styrofoam containers                           |
| ◆ Cookware                  | ◆ Recyclable contaminated with food              |
| ◆ Mirrors                   | ◆ Plastic film like grocery or dry cleaning bags |
| ◆ Light bulbs               | ◆ Electronics                                    |
| ◆ Broken glass              |                                                  |
| ◆ Pots                      |                                                  |
| ◆ Pans                      |                                                  |
| ◆ Foil                      |                                                  |

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## Yard Waste Collection

**Mondays**

**March 1st - December 24th**



Yard waste is a result of regular yard maintenance and not debris as a result of a landscape renovation or project construction.

Tree stumps and limbs larger than 6 inches in diameter and 4 feet in length will **not** be collected.

*Properly prepared yard waste includes the following:*

- ◆ Brush, limbs and branches are cut into 4-foot lengths
- ◆ Items are bundled (arm full size) and bound with rope or twine
- ◆ Bundled items do NOT exceed 50 pounds
- ◆ Grass clippings and leaves are placed in a trash container labeled as yard waste or neatly bagged in biodegradable paper yard waste bags available at local home improvement and wholesale club stores

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## Special Pick-ups and Bulk Waste Items

You **MUST** contact the trash contractor to arrange pickup of special or bulk items at (703) 818-8222 or through their website at [www.republicservices.com](http://www.republicservices.com)

Furniture, non-metal, non-commercial household items like sofas, chairs, tables, cribs, mattresses, bed frames, small appliances, shelves and grills (without the propane tank) are examples of bulk waste items.

- ◆ Generally, the trash contractor will collect bulk items no larger than 4 feet by 4 feet (2 cubic yards) with the household trash on the second pickup day of the week (Thursday)
- ◆ Containers or bundles weighing more than 50 pounds or longer than 4 feet in length require a special collection with additional billing to the individual homeowner. This will generally occur when you are moving, renovating or are involved with an eviction.

◆ Appliances (white goods/ferrous metal) collected with additional billing to the individual homeowner include:

- Washer/dryer
- Dishwasher
- Water heater
- Refrigerators\*
- Freezers\*
- Outside air conditioner units\*

*\*ALL ITEMS CONTAINING FREON (CFC'S) MUST BE TAGGED WITH CERTIFICATION THAT IT IS FREON-FREE IN ORDER TO BE REMOVED.*

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## Holiday Collection Schedule

There will be trash and recycling removal on all holidays except Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day. Collections will be made on the next regularly scheduled collection day should any of these holidays fall on a South Riding pickup day. Check the website at [www.southriding.net](http://www.southriding.net) or the Facebook page for holiday collection details.

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## Christmas Trees

Curbside collection and special collection dumpsters are available for Christmas tree recycling.

- ◆ Remove all the lights, ornaments and accessories first.
- ◆ Place the tree at the curb for collection on Mondays (only); or
- ◆ Take the tree to the parking lot behind Town Hall at 43055 Center Street and use the designated special collection dumpster.

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## Container Storage

The South Riding Declaration Article 8, Section 8.2 (h) states "...Trash containers shall not be permitted to remain in public view from the Common Area or another Lot except on days of trash collection."...

- ◆ Store the containers in your garage
- ◆ No garage...store them inside your fenced in backyard
- ◆ No garage or fenced in yard...tuck them against the back of your home
- ◆ Screen the containers with trees, tall bushes
- ◆ Purchase or build a trash enclosure...see the design standard for this on the website at [www.southriding.net](http://www.southriding.net), select For Residents and then Exterior Modifications.

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## Need a New or Replacement Container

Email the trash contractor at [southriding@republicservices.com](mailto:southriding@republicservices.com) to make your specific request. Be sure to provide them with your South Riding property address.

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## Electronics Recycling – South Riding Community Shred and Clean Up Day



*This event is held each Spring in South Riding. Visit the Events section of our website ([southriding.net](http://southriding.net)) for more information.*

*The full list of accepted electronics is on the website but includes:*

- ◆ Cellphones and accessories
- ◆ Servers
- ◆ Monitors and TVs (additional fees may apply)
- ◆ Routers
- ◆ Paper shredders
- ◆ Power tools
- ◆ Radios
- ◆ Tablets
- ◆ Toner cartridges
- ◆ Video games

