



Helpful Tips for your Garbage and Recycling Curbside Bins



Please have your waste and recycling at the curb by 6:00 a.m. on your collection day(s), but not before 5:00 pm on the evening before pick up.



Please place all recyclables inside the green cart with the blue lid. Recyclables should be loose inside the cart, not bagged.



Please place all garbage inside the green cart with the green lid. Items should be bagged and tied off. Please avoid loose items if possible.



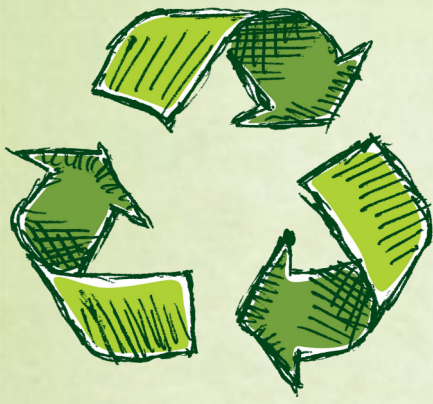
The lid must be securely closed. This ensures that litter is not blown in your neighborhood and that all disposed items are secure. No waste or recyclables left outside your cart will be collected.



Yard waste should never be placed in either cart. Please visit the City website for more information on yard waste collection.



Carts must be placed 3 feet from any obstructions, such as vehicles, mailboxes, meter boxes, cable boxes, or trees - and within 1 foot of the curb. The optimal placement is on the curb. But, we understand that in some areas, the carts must be placed on the street. Do not obstruct the collection of carts or bulk items by parking vehicles in the vicinity. Keep area clear for easy access by the collection truck.



Do's and Don'ts of CURBSIDE Recycling

✓ Do Recycle

ALL RECYCLING SHOULD REMAIN LOOSE AND UNBAGGED IN THE BIN

✓ Paper

- Newsprint
- Magazines
- Junk Mail
- Paperback Books

✓ Cardboard (Clean, Empty & Flattened)

- Paper Egg Cartons
- Soda Boxes
- Shipping Boxes
- Cereal Boxes

✓ Plastic (Clean & Rinsed)

- HARD Plastics with Recycling Symbols 1-5 & 7
- Milk Jugs
- Food Containers
- Plastic Bottles

✓ Glass (Clean, Rinsed & Lids Removed)

- Clear Jars & Bottles
- Colored Wine & Beer Bottles

✓ Metal & Aluminum (Clean & Rinsed)

- Food Cans
- Tin Food Containers
- Jar Lids & Bottle Caps

✗ Don't Recycle

✗ Paper

- Shredded Paper
 - Please take directly to the Recycling Center or place in one of the roll-off bins around town
- Wrapping Paper

✗ Cardboard

- Wax Coated Cardboard (Milk Cartons, Tetra-Paks)
- Dirty, Greasy Pizza Boxes
 - You may tear off the top to recycle and discard the rest

✗ Plastic

- Shopping Bags
- Plastic Wrap/Baggies/Air Pillow Packaging
- Dry Cleaning Plastic
- Styrofoam/Foam Food Cartons

✗ Glass

- Glass Sheets
- Window Glass
- Light Bulbs



WHEN IN DOUBT, THROW IT OUT!

Please contact City of Fort Dodge Public Works at 515-955-6139 or
Fort Dodge Regional Recycling Center at 515-955-2781 with any questions.