



CITY OF FORT DODGE PUBLIC WORKS – SANITATION

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MEDIA RELEASE

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Beginning Monday, June 1, 2020, the City of Fort Dodge will be launching a 12-week pilot program designed to help sanitation customers get rid of bulk items that do not fit into the garbage carts. The program applies only to City of Fort Dodge sanitation customers. We will not pick up at any non-residential premises, apartment buildings or dwellings with more than two (2) families.

Customers will be able to schedule an appointment to have large items collected during the weeks of their regular recycling week. Citizens are asked to make the appointment by noon the regular business day prior to the desired bulk item collection date. There are a limited number of appointments per day, so scheduling early is encouraged. The program is scheduled to end on Friday, August 21, 2020.

Collection will alternate weekly to correspond with the recycling pick up schedule. A customer will have bulk pick up available the same week as their recycling pick up. The schedule is below:

East Recycling Route (East of 15 th Street, excluding Orchard Glen, Rolling Hills, 170 th Street and the area from the CNRR tracks south to Patterson Field Road)	West Recycling Route (West of 15 th Street & including Orchard Glen, Rolling Hills, 170 th Street and the area from the CNRR tracks south to Patterson Field Road)
June 1, 2020 – June 5, 2020	June 8, 2020 – June 12, 2020
June 15, 2020 – June 19, 2020	June 22, 2020 – June 26, 2020
June 29, 2020 – July 2, 2020	July 6, 2020 – July 10, 2020
July 13, 2020 – July 17, 2020	July 20, 2020 – July 24, 2020
July 27, 2020 – July 31, 2020	August 3, 2020 – August 7, 2020
August 10, 2020 – August 14, 2020	August 17, 2020 – August 21, 2020

Examples of Items Accepted for Bulk Pick Up at No Cost

- Furniture (couch, sectional, chair, recliner, table)
- Mattresses (limit 2 per pick up)
- Carpet (no longer than four (4) feet, rolled and secured)
- Dismantled swing sets
- Minimal building material/construction material (must be bundled and weigh under 50 pounds per bundle)
- Bicycles, scooters, large toys

Any items placed at the curb must be able to be lifted safely by a two-person crew. Small, loose items and those that fit in your garbage cart will not be collected. Please separate scrap metal (bikes, fences, swing sets, grills, etc.) from the rest of the items.

Items Accepted for a Fee

- \$5.00 - Passenger Car Tires
- \$15.00 - TVs and Electronics
- \$15.00 - Appliances (Refrigerator (doors removed), washer, dryer, microwave, stove or dishwasher)

*Items accepted for a fee must be paid for prior to collection. Stickers are available for purchase in City Hall at the billing windows. **The City is not responsible for lost or stolen stickers.***

Items that will NOT be Accepted for Bulk Pick Up

- Household Hazardous Materials (HHM)
 - Vehicle batteries
 - Sharps
 - Liquid waste (paint, varnish, motor oil, etc.)

If you have any household hazardous materials to dispose of, please call (515) 576-5866 to make an appointment to drop off at the North Central Iowa Regional Solid Waste Agency Household Hazardous Materials site.

- Sheds, garages and excessive building materials
- Concrete or brick
- Recyclable materials (cardboard, etc.)

Sanitation customers who wish to schedule a bulk pick up should do so beginning Wednesday, May 27, 2020, using Connect Fort Dodge (seeclickfix.com/fort-dodge/report) or through the City website, www.fortdodgeiowa.org, and clicking on "Report a Concern" at the bottom of the page. Upon entering your physical address, an option for bulk pick up will populate. Please note that pick ups will be accepted in the order they are submitted via Connect Fort Dodge. All customers are encouraged to complete the request online well in advance if they require a specific date.

Please wait for confirmation of your pick up date before placing items at the curb. Items must be set out by 5:00 am the day of pickup but not before 4:00 pm the day before collection. Pick ups may be moved to the following day without notice, based on the volume of requests. Any items placed at the curb prior to 4:00 pm the day before or remaining more than 24 hours following pick up will be subject to city nuisance rules.

In the event a customer does not have the ability to access the online request system, they may call (515) 302-8950 and leave a message with all necessary information. Incomplete requests will not be processed. Requests will not be accepted through the main Public Works phone number. Please note that first priority is given to requests submitted directly via Connect Fort Dodge.