



CITY OF FORT DODGE PUBLIC WORKS – SANITATION

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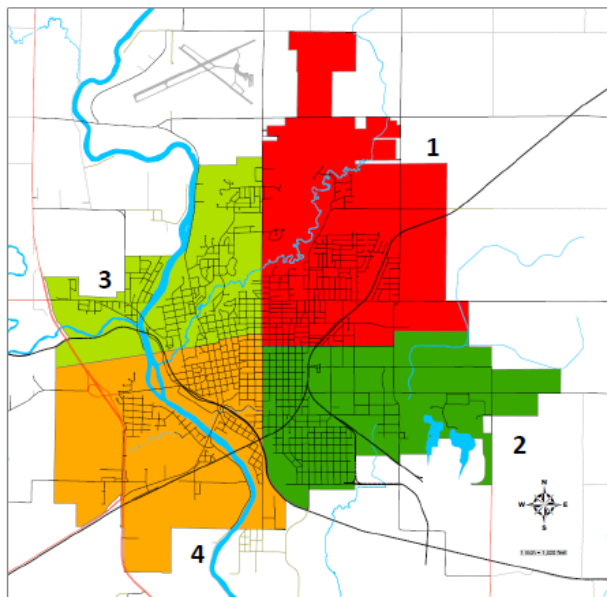
MEDIA RELEASE

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
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RE: FALL CLEAN UP 2021

Your last chance to get rid of large items in 2021 is coming up. Fall Clean Up will be held the last two **MONDAYS** of September and the first two **MONDAYS** of October 2021 according to the following schedule:



Monday, September 20, 2021, for the area north of 2nd Avenue North and east of 15th Street, including Orchard Glen, Rolling Hills and 170th Street.

Monday, September 27, 2021, for the area south of 2nd Avenue North and east of 15th Street.

Monday, October 4, 2021, for the area north of 4th Avenue North and west of 15th Street.

Monday, October 11, 2021, for the area south of 4th Avenue North and west of 15th Street, including the Pleasant Valley area and the area east of South 15th Street and south of the CNRR tracks to Patterson Field Road.

Current City of Fort Dodge sanitation customers may not place items in the right of way until 5:00 pm on the Friday before their scheduled pick up week. This rule will be enforced by the Nuisance department; property owners will be notified and the nuisance process will begin as outlined in the City's property maintenance code. All items must be placed at the curb prior to 6:00 am on the day of the cleanup. **THERE WILL BE NO ALLEY PICK UP.**

The City WILL NOT pick up the following items.

Residents are responsible for proper disposal of these materials. Disposal fees may apply.

• Tires or auto parts	Contact the landfill for disposal (515-573-5381)
• Vehicle batteries	Contact the Hazardous Waste Center for disposal (515-576-5866)
• Sharps such as needles & syringes	Contact the Hazardous Waste Center for disposal
• Electronics, televisions & computers	Contact the Recycling Center for disposal (515-955-2781)
• Major appliances such as stoves, refrigerators, freezers, water heater, water softeners, washers, dryers, microwaves, dishwashers, air conditioners, humidifiers and dehumidifiers	Contact a local salvage yard for disposal
• Piles of lumber, drywall or remodeling material of any type	Contact the landfill for disposal
• Liquid waste such as paint, varnish, motor oil and etc	Contact the Hazardous Waste Center for disposal
• Swing sets, clothesline poles, fence posts and other such items with concrete attached to the poles	Please disassemble these items and separate any steel related items; contact the landfill for disposal of concrete
• Garbage bags	Please use extra space in your trash cart to dispose of these smaller items.
• Loose items	Loose items should be placed in garbage bags and disposed of in your garbage cart during your regularly weekly pick up
• Large piles of recyclable materials (cardboard, etc)	Please use extra space in your recycling cart or the roll off containers around town to dispose of these items
• Tree Branches	Public Works will pick up tree branches through the usual Friday yard waste pick up. Bundles may be no larger than 18" in diameter and 4' in length. Branches themselves may be no larger than 4" in diameter. Bundles weighing in excess of 50 lbs. will not be picked up.

We will not pick up at any non-residential premises, apartment buildings or dwellings with more than two (2) families.

Please note normal garbage routes will remain in place during these four (4) weeks. Any garbage carts should be set apart from clean up items.

On the Tuesday immediately following pick up, the Nuisance department will begin tagging and sending letters to property owners with items left on the curb. That same Friday, items remaining will be picked up and fines & disposal charges will be assessed to the property owners.

Public Works retains the option to adjust the schedule based on inclement weather (i.e. – heavy thunderstorms, excessive rainfall, snow or etc.). If it is necessary to adjust the schedule, announcements will be made on social media and through local news outlets.

Please refer any questions to the Public Works Department, 7:00 am to 3:30 pm, Monday – Friday, by calling 515-955-6139 or messaging us on Facebook (City of Fort Dodge Government or @fortdodgeiowa). If you have questions about which day is your designated pick up day, please see the interactive map [online](#). In the meantime, we encourage sanitation customers to continue utilizing JUNK DAYS ON DEMAND until September 16, 2021. Schedule your pick up by texting “JUNK” to (515) 408-9888.