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Recycling Newsletter

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Trash Cart lids must be CLOSED!

Bulky Item collection Procedure

"Bulky" items require collection appointments and a nominal disposal fee. You will need to **call 978-649-7564** ask for **Customer Services**– to make an appointment. Fees are collected (over the phone) when making the appointment. Place these items curbside on the date assigned by the contractor... not before.

What is the cost for disposal of bulky items?

Appliances, like stoves, washers, driers and dishwashers are **\$10**; Freon items like: fridges, freezers {take doors off}, A/Cs and dehumidifiers cost **\$12** each; TVs and computer monitors smaller than 26 inches are **\$10** and those larger will cost **\$20**; Passenger tires and propane tanks cost only **\$5**; small misc. items like electronics (laptops, VCR, DVD player) are all **\$5** each; larger (furniture) pieces, like mattresses, box springs, couches, futons, treadmills and tables will cost **\$10**.

For All Bulky Items call Allied Waste at 978-649-7564

AUTOMATED TRASH COLLECTION UPDATE

For the three months since Lowell distributed nearly 27,000 burgundy trash carts the trash tonnage has dropped by 811 tons (Mar), 1,150 tons (Apr) and 1,270 (May) compared to the same three months of 2008. May alone saved 1/3 of the average monthly tonnage! The same three months saw an increase of 27% in 'paper' recycling and an amazing jump by 35% in 'bottles & cans' recycling. Over 4,000 green recycling bins were picked up in the few months preceding BIN-Dependence Day. We are well on our way to drastically reduce our 6.5 million dollar per year trash, recycling and yard waste collection costs. Keep up the great work!

Important! Please have this notice translated immediately.

¡Importante! Por favor haga traducir este aviso inmediatamente.

Importante! Fate tradurre questo avviso immediatamente.

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Important! Faites traduire cet avis immédiatement.

Importante! Mande traduzir este aviso imediatamente.

QUAN TRỌNG ! CẦN DỊCH CÁO THỊ NÀY LIỀN

重要！請立刻將本通知翻譯成中文。

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Προσοχή! Δώστε να σας μεταφράσουν αμέσως αυτή την ανακοίνωση.

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Summer Holiday Schedule

Sat. July 4

Mon. Sept. 7

4th of July

Labor Day

NO CHANGES

City Hall Closed

Whenever a scheduled collection day falls on a holiday, that day's collection and all remaining collections for the week will be delayed one day. Friday's collection will be on Saturday.

Solid Waste & Recycling Office

Health Department
341 Pine Street
Lowell MA 01851

Phone: 978-446-7277
Email: recycle@lowellma.gov



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No 'waste' items {including yard waste} shall be placed curbside prior to 4 pm, the evening before 'trash day'; per Ch 207: Sec 8B. Except bulky items by appointment. A \$25 fine may be assessed.

Official City of Lowell Purple 'Overflow' Trash Bags

Any trash that does not fit in the cart, with its lid closed, requires a purple 'overflow' trash bag. These bags are sold at local retailers for \$7.50 for a 5 pack. Full bags should be placed on top of or next to the wheeled cart on trash day. No other trash bags will be accepted. See website for [distributor list](#).

City Offices closed Friday July 3rd, for Independence Day.

FALL Household Hazardous Waste Day.
Tentatively scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 26th, 2009. 9 am until 1 pm at Cawley Stadium, on Douglas Rd.

Separate your recyclables!

Lowell has a 'dual stream system' one container for all things 'paper' (newspaper, magazines, junk mail and cardboard) - use the green bin for paper. Use your 'old' trash barrel marked with a



Sticker, for glass, tin, plastics (#1-#7), bottles & cans.

*My Syringes
and Rx in the trash?*
NO Way!



Help protect our children and the environment.
For information on the disposal of sharps & Rx collection sites near you, call 1-978-970-4010.



Medical sharps (needles & lancets) are accepted –for drop-off, at the Regional Waste Water Treatment Plant (First St Blvd, Rt 110 - at the Dracut line) on the fourth Saturday [March thru Nov.] from 8 am until 12 noon. Material must be in 'puncture proof' bottles with screw-cap and labeled:

"MEDICAL SHARPS".

YARD WASTE collection ends "Last neighborhood trash day of November"

The Plastic Bag dilemma... Plastic bags may not be put in either the 'paper' or 'bottles & cans' recycling containers. Do not use plastic bags to hold, sort or containerize your recyclables. Bags made of #2 or #4 plastics can be brought to many local grocery stores.



- Cardboard larger than 3 ft x 3 ft will not fit inside the recycling truck.
- **No pizza boxes** unless you rip off the greasy parts and put it inside out with your mixed paper; recycle the clean lid.

For '**MISSED**' trash, recycling or yard waste collection; contact **Allied Waste Customer Service** by telephone (978) 649-7564 or online: www.egovlink.com/lowell select from section 3
DPW - Missed pick up of trash, recycling or YW

Attention Landlords:

You are urged to distribute copies of this Newsletter to your tenants; a PDF of this document is available on our website; email or call our office with questions.

Join our email list; receive updates on calendar of events, newspaper columns, holidays, Hazardous Waste Day, etc: www.egovlink.com/lowell Select: 'Subscriptions' then: 'Solid Waste & Recycling'

Products made of styro-foam are **NOT** recyclable. Do not place the following items, made of styrofoam, in your recycling container:
Egg Cartons,
Coffee Cups,
Deli/Fruit Trays
Packing 'peanuts'

