

City of Atlanta Solid Waste Program Changes FY11

The City of Atlanta will continue to offer weekly pick up of yard trimmings for our residential solid waste customers!

RECYCLING

The Department of Public Works is committed to working to ensure



Find recycling drop off sites www.earth911.com

that the City reaches its full potential to improve current recycling programs and policies. In accordance with the City of Atlanta FY11 budget, we will continue to offer weekly pick up of recyclables as well as a larger cart upon request. You may use your own covered container as long as it is clearly labeled "RECYCLING" and made of sturdy plastic type material. To request stickers or a larger recycling cart, please call the Department of

Public Works Customer Service Center at (404) 330-6333, or submit an email request to: publicworks@atlantaga.gov.

There is a new service fee as part of the 2010 annual solid waste bill to equate/accommodate market demand and cost of operations. The new \$88 annual rate is minimal in comparison to that of private haulers, whose average is at least \$10 monthly. The City of Atlanta is pleased to have minimized its service fees for at least the past 15 years. The city's solid waste bills are distributed based on the city's fiscal calendar, however fees are applicable January – December of the current year.

Items eligible for curbside recycling collection include:

- Newspaper
- Aluminum cans
- Glass bottles and jars (remove the lids)
- Steel (tin) cans
- Plastic: all food containers and plastic bottles (please rinse out) -NO PLASTIC BAGS, HOSES, PIPES, or FURNITURE
- Mixed paper
- Office paper
- Junk Mail
- Telephone directories
- Boxboard (cereal boxes, tissue boxes)
- Shredded paper tied in a clear plastic bag
- Magazines
- Catalogues
- Cardboard: broken down or cut to fit in the bin (KEEP IT DRY!)

Other recycling resources: www.earth911.com/ / www

YARD TRIMMINGS

Great News! We have realigned our existing resources and will continue to collect yard trimmings weekly!

Yard Trimmings includes plant material such as leaves, grass clippings, branches not to exceed 4 ft in length and 6 inches in diameter, Christmas trees, flowers, roots, wood waste and other material commonly thrown away in the course of maintaining yards and gardens.



Plastic bags containing yard trimmings will not be collected. Yard trimmings may only be set out in paper yard trimming collection bags (also known as kraft bags) not exceeding 25 lbs., or a container clearly labeled "yard trimmings".

Want a Bigger Recycling Cart?



The City of Atlanta now offers a large recycling cart upon request. The large blue cart should only be used for recyclable items NOT household garbage.

Call 404-330-6333 or send an email to publicworks@atlantaga.gov.

You may also use your own covered container and label it "RECYCLING."

We will pick up your old small City issued black recycling bin on Fridays upon making an appointment by calling (404) 330-6333.

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