

2015 Collection Schedule

■ Observed Holiday
 ■ Blue Lid Recyclables Collection Week
 ■ Green Lid Recyclables Collection Week
 ■ Leaf and Yard Waste Collection Week

January 2015							February 2015							March 2015						
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April 2015							May 2015							June 2015						
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July 2015							August 2015							September 2015						
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October 2015							November 2015							December 2015						
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Holiday Schedule

Holidays are identified in yellow in the 2015 Collection Schedule.

In the event of an observed holiday, our collection day will move to the following day, Friday collections will move to Saturday.

The following holidays will result in delayed collections:

New Year's Day - 1/1/15	Martin Luther King Jr. Day - 1/19/15	President's Day - 2/16/15
Patriot's Day - 4/20/15	Memorial Day - 5/25/15	Independence Day - 7/4/15
Labor Day - 9/7/15	Columbus Day - 10/12/15	Veterans Day - 11/11/15
Thanksgiving - 11/26/15	Christmas - 12/25/15	

Christmas Trees will be collected the week of January 12, 2015 on your trash day. **NO PLASTIC BAGS PLEASE!**

Frequently Asked Questions:

What should I do if I have a problem with my cart?

Your carts are made of durable plastic and should give you years of maintenance-free use. If a problem arises, (broken wheel or lid), you may call Waste Management at (800) 972-4545. Proper storage of carts is the responsibility of the resident. If you move, please leave your carts behind.

What about street parking on collection day?

Remember to place your carts at least 5 feet from any parked cars near the curb.

For More Information:

You can get additional information and answers to your questions at:

- The City's Website: www.medfordma.org - Look for link on home Page
- Waste Management: (800) 972-4545

I'm moving or cleaning out the garage and have a lot of refuse to get rid of right away. Where will I be able to dispose of it?

For homeowner clean-up projects, you may want to consider using the Bagster. To learn more, visit thebagster.com. A special \$10 discount off the collection of a Bagster for Medford residents can be found below. For other questions, contact Waste Management at (800) 972-4545.

Special Discount for the City of Medford

HAVE A BIG CLEANUP PROJECT

Plan for the waste with the Bagster® bag from Waste Management.



Get started today at
thebagster.com

\$10 OFF ONE BAGSTER BAG COLLECTION¹
 Coupon Code: 105-MEDFD
 Expires: 12/31/2015

(1) Discount valid for the collection of one (1) bag. Discount applied to highest priced Bagster bag of an order. One coupon per person, household, or company per order. Coupon code must be given at the time of scheduling Bagster bag collection to receive discount. Coupon not valid where prohibited by law or not valid with other offers. Restrictions apply. Collection service not available everywhere; visit thebagster.com to find available service areas. For collection, yellow lifting straps must be able to connect above the bag.



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IMPORTANT INFORMATION INSIDE
 about your Waste and Recycling Services

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City of Medford
 Waste and Recycling Collection Services

Dear Medford Resident:

Waste Management would like to take this opportunity to provide you with updated information relating to trash and recycling services in the City of Medford.

FOR TRASH OR RECYCLING RELATED QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL:

Waste Management at (800) 972-4545

or refer to the City's website: www.medfordma.org - Look for the link on the home page.

Since implementing automated collection services Medford residents have:

- **Generated 7,000 less tons of trash per year**
- **Improved Recycling percentage from 10% in 2010 to 26% in FY 2014.**

Schedule

Solid waste will continue to be collected weekly. Recycling will continue to be collected every other week. Recycling carts with blue lids will be picked up every other week on the "Blue Bin" schedule. Recycling carts with green lids will be picked up on the "Green Bin" schedule. A Recycling Calendar with the every-other-week collection schedule is on the back of this brochure.

Trash

All regular household trash should be bagged and placed in the smaller 64-gallon green cart for collection. Household trash outside of the cart will NOT be collected, unless in approved green "overflow" bags.

Overflow bags are available at the Stop & Shop in the Wellington area and the City Treasures's office at City Hall. Bags are sold in rolls of 5 for \$9.99 and each holds 33-gallons. Bags are only needed for extra waste that will not fit into your garbage cart. For retail locations check www.medfordma.org.



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If you consistently generate more trash than will fit in your cart, an additional 64-gallon trash cart may be leased for \$150 per year. Please visit or contact the Treasurer's Office—City Hall, to pay for and order an additional trash cart.

Do not put any of these items in your trash cart:

- Recyclables • Yard Waste • Dirt, sod, concrete or rock • Construction/demolition debris
- Household hazardous waste • Hot ashes or flammable materials such as oil, gas or paint.

Preparing your solid waste:

- Trash must be bagged. This will keep the cart clean and prevent litter on windy days.
- All trash must fit in the cart so that the lid is fully closed. No material may be sticking out of the cart.
- The placement of your cart is important to allow the vehicle's lifting arm clearance. Please allow 3 feet on both sides of the cart, 12 feet overhead and make sure carts are at least 5 feet from any parked cars. Place the cart no more than 3 feet from the curb or road's edge. The arrows on the cart lid must point toward the street.

Recycling

Every day, Medford residents encounter hundreds of recyclable items. By recycling properly, we can save tons of raw materials, which in turn can save time, energy and expense – and that translates into a healthier community! Place all your recyclable items shown on the adjacent panel into the 96-gallon recycling container with the blue or green lid. No sorting is needed.



DO NOT PUT TRASH IN YOUR RECYCLING CONTAINER AND DO NOT BAG YOUR RECYCLABLES – PLACE THEM DIRECTLY IN THE CART.

Should you have more recyclables that the cart can hold, please bring them to City Yard. Mon-Sat. 7 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Leaves and Yard Waste

Leaves and yard waste must be in paper bags or open barrels only.

NO PLASTIC BAGS. Please keep yard waste containers at least 4 feet from your trash and recycling. A complete list of 2015 Yard Waste collection weeks is included in the Collection Schedule on the back of this brochure. Do not rake leaves into the gutter or street.



Bulk Items

Bulk items are defined as any household goods that cannot be recycled and will not fit into your trash cart, such as mattresses, box springs, mirrors, rugs, furniture, etc. Bulk items will only be picked up by reservation and only during your recycling week. Please call Waste Management at (800) 972-4545 to schedule a pick-up. There is no fee for bulk items. No demolition or construction materials will be collected.



PLEASE CONSIDER DONATING OR RE-USING ITEMS BEFORE USING THIS SERVICE, as Medford pays for every ton of trash that goes to the landfill. Visit www.medfordma.org for additional tips on reducing your trash.

Recycling of White Goods, Appliances and Electronics

A City of Medford Appliance Disposal Sticker (\$25) must be purchased from the DPW Office for recycling of these items; white goods, appliances, TV's, computer monitors, etc.



To purchase a sticker: Go to the DPW office (Room 304, City Hall) or send a check and details on what you want recycled to: DPW, City Hall, Medford, MA 02155, and the sticker will be mailed to you.

Drop-Off Recycling

- Acceptable recyclable materials (paper, plastic, bottles, & scrap metal, etc.) can also be dropped off at the City Yard. Mon-Sat. 7 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
- The Paint Shed remains temporarily closed until further notice.
- Mercury-bearing items (thermometers, etc.); batteries; cell phones. CLF bulbs; fluorescent bulbs (tubes), limited to 4, can be recycled at City Hall - Room 304.



When Medford residents use **Recycle Often. Recycle Right**™, great things happen. By recycling everyday items like those shown below, tons of raw materials, time, energy and money are saved. Plus the recycled materials become new products – if you recycle an aluminum can today, it could be back on the shelf as a new one in 60 days – and the cycle continues.

- Place only the acceptable recyclables shown below together in your recycling cart – no sorting needed.
- Containers that held food should be rinsed free of food debris and liquid.
- Do not put recyclables in plastic bags.

Recycling will be collected every other week – see the calendar on the back side to determine your Recycling Collection Week. Acceptable materials for curbside recycling include:

Always recycle:



Plastic Bottles & Containers



Food & Beverage Cans



Paper



Flattened Cardboard & Paperboard



Food & Beverage Cartons

Do NOT include in your mixed recycling cart:



NO Food Waste
(Compost instead!)



NO Plastic Bags & Film
(Find a recycling site at plasticfilmrecycling.org)



NO Foam Cups & Containers
(Check Earth911.org for options.)



NO Needles
(Keep medical waste out of recycling. Place in safe disposal containers like Waste Management's MedWaste Tracker® box.)

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