



REFUSE COLLECTION

Rules & Regulations

Refuse is collected every week by the Streets Division. Failure to follow the below instructions may result in your refuse material not being collected.

Tan Trash Cart Rules

- » Get your collection schedule at www.cityofmadison.com/CollectionSchedule
- » Do not place recyclables, brush, leaves, yard waste, or other inappropriate items into the cart. Carts containing banned or inappropriate items will not be emptied.
- » Use the cart for bagged trash and small items that can fit inside that do not require a large item fee, like lumber scraps, toilets, small pieces of furniture, etc.
- » Nothing should stick out more than 18 inches from the top of the trash cart.

Options if You Have More Trash Than Can Fit into the Cart

1. Bring excess material to a drop-off site.
2. Talk with a neighbor to see if they have space for your refuse in their cart.
3. Hold the excess refuse until the next week's collection.
4. Obtain a larger refuse cart by contacting the Streets Division.
5. Purchase an additional refuse cart by contacting the Streets Division. (Limit of 4 refuse carts. More than 4 refuse carts will result in additional yearly fee.)

Move Out / Household Clean Up Instructions

Trash outside of the cart will only be collected if the below rules are followed:

- » Must have a full refuse cart and six or more 30-gallon bags of refuse.
- » You must bag extra refuse. Piles of small items or loose trash will not be collected.
- » Bags must not weigh more than 40 pounds apiece
- » Bags must be out by 6:30am on the scheduled refuse collection day.

Building Material – Minor Projects

Collection of building material is limited to debris related to home improvement projects performed by the homeowner. Work performed by a contractor will not be collected.

- » Building material must be bagged and the total weight of the material must not exceed 250 pounds.
 - Each bag must not exceed 40 pounds.
- » Refuse cart can also be used for building material.

Building Material – Major Projects & Contractor Work

Projects with a value of \$20,000 or more must recycle their building material. For more information about recycling options for building material contact the recycling office at (608) 267-2626.

Homeowners must secure the removal of debris related to large projects and projects that employ a contractor.

Special Item Information

Please follow the directions below for these items to ensure safe disposal.

Drop-Off Sites

Rules

- » Sites are for City of Madison residents & taxpayers only. Proof of residency or tax payer status required.
- » You are allowed 1 trip a day.
- » The single load must not exceed what would fit into a standard pick-up truck bed or 5' x 8' trailer.
- » Contractors may not use the drop-off sites for their work.

Locations for 2022

- » **East:** 4602 Sycamore Ave.
- » **West:** 402 South Point Rd.
- » **Central:** 121 East Olin Ave.

Hours

- » Contact us or check online at www.cityofmadison.com/DropOffSites
- » Hours change seasonally and depend on location.

Move Out / Household Cleanup Limit

The Streets Division will only perform Move Out / Household Cleanup collections on two consecutive weeks or at the discretion of the supervisor.

If your cleanup will take multiple weeks, consider renting a dumpster from a local private waste hauler.

Contact Information

- » Areas east of S. Park Street, including the isthmus:
 - Phone: (608) 246-4532
 - Office: 4602 Sycamore Ave.
 - Office hours: Monday-Friday, 7:30am to 4:00pm
- » Areas west of S. Park Street:
 - Phone: (608) 266-4681
 - Office: 1501 W. Badger Rd.
 - Office hours: Monday-Friday, 7:30am to 4:00pm
- » Online: cityofmadison.com/streets

Special Item Information

Item	Instructions
Ammunition, fireworks, and other explosives	Contact the Dane County Non-Emergency Dispatch at (608) 266-4275 to speak with law enforcement for disposal options.
Ashes, sawdust, vacuum cleaner dust, etc.	Place into bag and tie shut. Be sure ashes are cold before placing into collection cart.
Broken drinking glasses, plates, windows, etc.	Place into trash cart. No special packaging needed.
Camp stove propane canisters	Take to Dane County Clean Sweep. For hours and fees, call them at (608) 838-3212 or visit www.danecountycleansweep.com
Concrete, brick, dirt, rock, etc.	Not hauled by the City of Madison. For disposal options, consult the online Dane County Waste and Renewables disposal directory or contact Streets.
Deer carcasses	Double-bag and place into trash cart.
Dog/Cat/Pet waste	Bag and place into your home's trash cart. Do not place into public litter containers.
Fluorescent bulbs and tubes	Return to any vendor that sells them for recycling. Do not place into trash or recycling carts.
Gas cans (plastic)	Empty and dry containers can be placed into the trash.
Hazardous, flammable, or dangerous chemicals	Take to Dane County Clean Sweep. For hours and fees, call them at (608) 838-3212 or visit www.danecountycleansweep.com
Lead acid batteries (vehicles, UPS, etc.)	Take to Streets Division drop-off site or other reputable battery recycler.
Liquid paint and related products (stain, varnish, paint thinner, etc.)	Take to Dane County Clean Sweep. For hours and fees, call them at (608) 838-3212 or visit www.danecountycleansweep.com
Medical needles/syringes/lancets and other sharps	Contact your doctor or local pharmacy for safe disposal options. For more help, contact the recycling office at (608) 267-2626.
Medication	Take to a MedDrop location. Call (608) 441-3060 or visit www.safercommunity.net/meddrop for hours and locations.
Motor oil	Take to motor oil drop-off, or a private business that accepts motor oil (like a mechanic or oil change businesses). Location of public oil drop-offs can be found on the Streets Division's website.
Other medical or infectious waste	Contact the Madison Dane County Public Health Department at (608) 266-4821.
Propane tanks (gas grills, etc.)	If empty and valve open, can be accepted at the Streets Division drop-off sites.
Shingles	Not collected by the Streets Division. Take to Dane County Landfill. For disposal options, consult the online Dane County Waste and Renewables disposal directory