



Oakland Recycling/Garbage Newsletter

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GARBAGE DISPOSAL

Residential garbage collection in the Borough of Oakland occurs twice per week from April through September and once per week from October through March. The schedule is based on your side of town:

Monday and Thursday garbage collection or once per week on Monday

Tuesday and Friday garbage collection or once per week on Friday

The twice per week collection will begin on Monday, April 5, 2010. Once per week collection will resume on Monday, October 4, 2010.

Garbage must be placed at the curb prior to 6:00am on the day of your scheduled collection but not prior to 6:00pm the night before. Please bring your empty containers in promptly. Every attempt is made to collect during inclement weather, although severe weather conditions may disrupt or delay collections.

Building or other renovation materials, kitchen or bathroom fixtures, cement, sheetrock, plywood, roofing, doors, windows, railroad ties, auto parts, tires, etc. are not eligible for pickup. If you have a large volume of bulk waste, you must make private arrangements to haul it away. Check the Yellow Pages under garbage removal and hauling. If you hire a private contractor, please have them take away the waste.

Other trash such as household furniture is picked up on a regular garbage day. Three large bulky items are eligible for pickup on any one collection day, along with two 32-gallon garbage cans. **Do not use oversized cans that are too heavy to lift.** Any extra trash beyond these limits must wait until the next collection day. **The cans cannot weigh more than 50 pounds.** Any carpeting must be cut into 4-foot lengths and tied into bundles weighing no more than 50 pounds.

HOLIDAYS

There are no collections of garbage, recycling, metal or yard waste on the following holidays: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, 4th of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas Day.

During April through September, if the twice per week garbage collection falls on a holiday, the pickup is skipped. However, during October through March, if the once per week garbage collection falls on a holiday, a makeup day has been set.

If Monday is a holiday, garbage will be collected on Tuesday

If Friday is a holiday, garbage will be collected on Thursday (a day earlier)

MERCURY FLUORESCENT LIGHT BULBS

For residents of Oakland, fluorescent light bulbs which contain mercury can be dropped off at the Department of Public Works building located at 63 Oak Street. Unbroken bulbs only are accepted between 8:30am-4:00pm Monday-Friday. Fluorescent bulbs contain mercury which can cause major environmental and health problems if it is released by throwing bulbs in the trash. This is strictly a residential collection only.