

Douglass Hills Garbage, Recycling, and Yard Waste Update

Just to remind residents that our yard waste season, while tailing off, is still with us. Reminder that all yard waste must be placed in biodegradable paper bags you may purchase at your favorite hardware store. The paper bags must have the letters ASTMD6400 on them to comply with the new Jefferson County ordinance. You cannot place yard waste, leaves, or other yard products in plastic bags. All limbs must be cut in four foot sections and bundled or tied so they may be safely collected. The limb bundles should be placed at the curb next to your trash. You may set out ten (10) yard waste bags or bundles weekly. If there are more than ten bags they may be left until the following week. You may also place leaves in garbage cans loose if the containers are clearly marked yard waste.

There have been a number of residents who have mixed trash, recyclables, and even yard waste. This creates a significant problem for our contractor and Ecotech typically tries to take the material, but comingled materials must be considered trash at that point. If trash, recyclables, yard waste, or bundles are left because of contamination a sticker may be left notifying you of the violation so you may correct the problem so the materials may be collected the following week.

Proper identification is critical to the weekly collection operation. You should have containers clearly marked with the proper stickers if the container is strictly yard waste or recycling. You may pick up stickers at the City offices. Remember, it is very difficult to discern what is in the container if it is not clearly marked. Generally, there are a minimum of four separate collection trucks in our neighborhood each week and we appreciate you doing your part to identify the containers so the Ecotech trucks may collect the correct materials.

Electronic products cannot be placed in the trash. You may take your electronics to the City Waste Reduction Center by appointment only. Please call 502-574-2888 to schedule these items. The cost is 25-50 cents per pound. Also, you may take tires to the Center. Passenger tires are \$4.00 each and truck tires are \$10.00 each. Please check the Louisville Waste Reduction Center web site for a more detailed list of materials accepted and the costs of each. Or, dial 311 for assistance.

No hazardous items can be deposited in the trash. You may deposit water-based and latex paints, but they must be solidified with sand or kitty litter. Otherwise, we will experience paint leaking on our streets. All oil based paint and lead based paint must be taken to Haz – Bin located at 7501 Outer Loop. They take a large variety of hazardous materials including fluorescent light bulbs, lawn care products, pool supplies, and oil based paints. The facility has a large list of items on the Louisville Haz- Bin web site you may review. The hours are limited so dial 311 to confirm hours.

Let's all do our part to keep Douglas Hills the most attractive City in the region! Thanks for your commitment to Keep Douglass Hills Clean!!