

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE WOODS PROCEDURES FOR RUBBISH COLLECTION

- Rubbish, yard waste, recycling and brush must be out for collection **NO LATER THAN 7:00 AM** the morning of collection and **NO EARLIER** than 5:00 PM the evening prior to your pick up day.
- All rubbish must be in bags (minimum 1-½ mil thick). Rubbish cans **WILL NOT** be emptied. There is a weight limit of 50 pounds per disposable bag. Odd shaped items not suitable for bags should be placed beside the trash. Rubbish bags are available at the DPW, City Hall and Public Safety (\$9.00 for a roll of 50 bags).
- Weekly collection is limited to ten disposable plastic bags or their approximate equivalent.
- Heavy and extraordinary accumulations shall be disposed of outside the city at the expense and as a responsibility of the owner, occupant, renter, tenant or lessee of the property or premises.
- Large, heavy or bulky items, such as furniture or appliances, will be picked up on your regularly scheduled rubbish collection day by a bulk truck. Please call the DPW at least 24 hours in advance to arrange for this truck.
- Michigan law requires all yard waste to be composted. All garden waste, grass clippings, leaves and twigs **MUST BE IN PAPER YARD WASTE BAGS**. The City does not pick up dirt, sod, root balls or tree stumps. Contractors or residents are responsible for the disposal of these materials outside of the city. Brown 30-gallon paper yard waste bags are available at the DPW, City Hall and Public Safety (10 bags for \$4.00). **Yard waste collection begins the second week of April and ends the second week of December each year.**
- Brush and wood must not exceed 4 feet in length and 3 inches in diameter. It should be stacked neatly at curbside with cut ends facing the street. Nails **MUST** be bent over or removed to prevent injury.
- Please place the various types of trash next to each other at curbside. Different trucks pick up rubbish, yard waste, recycling and brush at different times. The collectors **WILL NOT** move one type of trash to get at another in a pile. Neatly placed trash at curbside will help to ensure a trouble-free pick up.
- Leaves **ONLY** are vacuumed from the curb line from October through December each year (check city calendar for specific dates and collection days). **DO NOT** mix other yard waste with leaves when placed at the curb line. At all other times of the year leaves must be put in paper yard waste bags for composting.
- The City does not pick up construction materials, concrete, bricks or car parts. Contractors or residents are responsible for the disposal of these materials outside of the city.
- **One recycling bin is provided for each home** – put all plastic marked with triangular recycling symbol, metal and aluminum cans; empty aerosol cans (plastic caps discarded); aluminum trays, foil, pie tins; glass jars or bottles; newspapers including glossy inserts; magazines and catalogs in paper bag; telephone books; cardboard cut to fit in or tied and placed on top of bin, flattened cereal boxes and junk mail; and small household batteries (in plastic zip bag) in recycling bin next to rubbish. Replacement bins are available for \$10.00 at the DPW.
- Solidify latex paint with kitty litter, sand or sawdust. After completely dry, place cans at curbside, with lids removed, for pick up. Oil base paint may be dropped off at the DPW on the hazardous waste drop off days **ONLY**. Hazardous waste drop off days are the third Saturday in April and October of each year.
- Used motor oil, transmission fluid, anti-freeze and large batteries are accepted at the DPW from 8:00 am to 3:30 pm Monday through Friday.

Please contact the Department of Public Works at (313) 343-2460 weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. if you have any questions regarding rubbish collection procedures.