

Electronics and Other Items Not Picked up Curbside

Items not picked up at curbside may be disposed of as follows. Charges and limitations may apply. Please call each location for details. Inclusion on this list is not intended to imply endorsement by the City of Oshkosh, nor is exclusion intentional. You may call the Sanitation Office (920) 232-5383 with any questions.

Computers and Electronics: Electronics have been banned from Wisconsin landfills and incinerators and will not be collected. The following items must be reused, recycled, or managed as hazardous waste: televisions, computers (desktop, laptop, netbook and tablet computers and e-readers), desktop printers (including those that scan, fax and/or copy), computer monitors, other computer accessories (including mice, keyboards and speakers, hard drives and flash drives), DVD players, VCRs, and DVRs, fax machines and cell phones. These items may be taken to the following locations, some limitations and/or charges may apply. Call for details.

- Winnebago County Transfer Station (Landfill) - (920) 232-1800, 100 W. County Rd. Y, Oshkosh
- Best Buy - www.bestbuy.com, search for "recycling"
- Fox Valley Iron & Metal – (920) 231-8187, 3446 Witzel Ave., Oshkosh
- Miller Scrap Removal – (920) 379-2517, 3280 Walter St., Oshkosh
- Milwaukee PC - (920) 233-4706, 1040 W. 20th Ave., Oshkosh
- Sadoff Iron & Metal - (920) 232-7373, 36 E. 10th Ave., Oshkosh

Fluorescent bulbs, including compact fluorescents (CFLs), contain mercury. By recycling CFLs and other types of fluorescent bulbs we can minimize the amount of mercury being released into the environment. Do not place fluorescent bulbs or CFLs inside your garbage or recycling cart. Bring these items to the following locations for disposal, some charges or limitations may apply:

- Winnebago County Transfer Station - (920) 232-1800, 100 W. County Rd. Y, Oshkosh
- Batteries Plus Bulbs - (920) 231-1100, 1667 W. 20th Ave., Oshkosh
- Lowe's – (920) 232-7423, 1075 N. Washburn St., Oshkosh

Bricks, stones, dirt, sod, branches over 6" diameter, and tree stumps are NOT accepted curbside, at the City of Oshkosh Yard Waste Drop off site or the Winnebago County Transfer Station. They are accepted at the Outagamie County Landfill (920) 832-5277, 1919 Holland Rd., Appleton. Charges and limitations may apply. Call for details.

Grass clippings: Grass clippings will not be picked up curbside at any time by Sanitation crews. There are a few options when dealing with grass clippings:

- Let the grass clippings remain on your lawn. Grass clippings are over 80% water, so they decompose quickly and release nitrogen and other nutrients back into the lawn and soil naturally, thereby improving lawn quality.
- Use the grass clippings as mulch. Mulching reduces weeds, modifies soil temperature, and retains moisture. Mulch maintains good soil structure by reducing the force of rain droplets. It minimizes erosion by protecting the soil surface. When using clippings as a mulch, layers deeper than 2 inches will rot and produce a foul smell. Scatter and allow the first thin layer to dry. Later, add more clippings to produce a 4- to 6-inch deep mulch. Do not mulch with clippings from a lawn that has been treated with a weed control product within the last two weeks. The herbicide on the clippings can harm desirable bedding and garden plants. These clippings are best left on the lawn where the clippings and herbicide are broken down naturally by soil microbes and earthworms.
- Add the grass clippings to a compost pile. Grass clippings contain nitrogen and can be a valuable addition to compost.
- Grass clippings may be dropped off at the City of Oshkosh Yard Waste Drop off site. A yearly permit is required. The cost of the permit is \$25 per year for City of Oshkosh residents, and \$125 per year for non-City residents. Permits may be purchased at the Collections counter at City Hall, 215 Church Ave. or at Kitz and Pfeil Hardware store, (920) 236-3340, 427 N. Main St., Oshkosh.
- Grass clippings may also be dropped off at the Winnebago County Transfer Station (920) 232-1800, 100 W. County Rd. Y, Oshkosh.

Rechargeable, Lithium, and Lead Acid Batteries may be dropped off at the following locations. Contact these locations for details, charges may apply. Single-use alkaline batteries are not considered hazardous and can be placed in the garbage cart.

- Winnebago County Transfer Station - (920) 232-1800, 100 W. County Rd. Y, Oshkosh
- Batteries Plus Bulbs - (920) 231-1100, 1667 W. 20th Ave., Oshkosh
- Fox Valley Iron & Metal – (920) 235-3350, 3446 Witzel Ave., Oshkosh
- Lowe's – (920) 232-7423, 1075 N. Washburn St., Oshkosh
- Miller Scrap Removal – (920) 379-2517, 3280 Walter St., Oshkosh
- Sadoff Iron & Metal – (920) 232-7373, 36 E. 10th Ave., Oshkosh

Medical Needles/Syringes and other Sharps are a hazard and it is illegal to put sharps into the garbage or recycling carts. Place all needles and other sharps into a sharps disposal container immediately after use. Contact the following locations for disposal details:

- Aurora Pharmacy
 - 414 Doctors Ct., Suite 100 – (920) 303-5006
 - 135 Jackson St., Suite 100 – (920) 303-8140
 - 855 N. Westhaven Dr., Oshkosh - (920) 303-8830
- Pick 'n Save Pharmacy - 1940 S. Koeller St., Oshkosh, - (920) 236-9494

Medication should not be flushed down the sewer or placed in the garbage or recycling cart. Unwanted or expired medications can be brought to the Oshkosh Safety Building, 420 Jackson Street, Oshkosh. Open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Drug Drop Boxes do not accept: medical supplies (thermometers), biological waste (eye drops, inhalers), and sharps (needles, syringes and lancets). Call the Winnebago County Health Department at (920) 232-3000 or visit: www.co.winnebago.wi.us/health/divisions-program-areas/community-health/drug-drop for more information.

Plastic Bags, Wraps & Films: Not all plastic bags or product wraps are recyclable. Check with the following locations for a list of items accepted.

- Festival Foods - (920) 966-3378, 2415 Westowne Ave., Oshkosh
- Piggly Wiggly – (920) 236-7801, 525 E. Murdock Ave., Oshkosh
- Target – (920) 426-5003, 1900 S. Koeller St., Oshkosh
- Walmart Supercenter – (920) 231-1575, 351 S. Washburn St., Oshkosh

Scrap Metal: The scrap recycling industry annually transforms more than 130 million metric tons of obsolete materials from consumers, businesses and manufacturers into useful raw materials. Without scrap recycling, more mining and use of virgin natural resources would be required.

Recycling reduces greenhouse gas emissions by significantly saving the amount of energy needed to manufacture the products that we buy, build and use. The energy saved by recycling can then be used for other purposes like heating our homes and powering our automobiles.

Two different kinds of scrap metal are ferrous steel and nonferrous scrap. Some examples of household ferrous and nonferrous metal would be water heaters, car engines, gas grills, aluminum screen doors and cans, cell phones, tools, knives, computers, CPUs and laptops.

Instead of placing these items in your garbage cart where they would end up in the landfill, recycle these items as follows. Call for details. Some charges and limitations may apply:

- City of Oshkosh Sanitation Division (residential customers only). Prepay for the item as a Special Paid Pick up at the Collections counter at City Hall, 215 Church Avenue. Place the item at least 3 feet away from your cart(s) on the terrace or driveway apron, no later than 5 am on your scheduled garbage collection day. The cost per item is \$13 for metal items, such as storm doors, lawn mowers, gas grills, weight benches (weights can be placed in the garbage cart). The City will not pick up electronics at any time.
- Winnebago County Transfer Station – (920) 232-1800, 100 W. County Rd. Y, Oshkosh. Call for details. Some charges may apply.
- Fox Valley Iron & Metal – (920) 231-8187, 3446 Witzel Avenue, Oshkosh. Call for details.
- Miller Scrap Removal – (920) 379-2517, 3280 Walter St., Oshkosh. Call for details.
- Sadoff Iron & Metal Company – (920) 232-7373, 36 E. 10th Avenue, Oshkosh. Call for details.

Shredded Paper is considered garbage and is no longer accepted in curbside recycling carts. Shredded paper may be used in home composting bins. Shredded paper is accepted at the following locations. Call for details. Some charges or limitations may apply.

- Oshkosh Paper Salvage – (920) 235-2000, 1860 Harrison St., Oshkosh
- Winnebago County Transfer Station – (920) 232-1800, 100 W. County Rd. Y, Oshkosh.

Stones, Bricks, Concrete, Dirt may be disposed of at the following locations for a drop off fee, some limitations may apply. Call for details.

- Outagamie County Landfill – (920) 832-5277, 1919 Holland Rd., Appleton
- Michel's Quarry – (920) 231-6330, 1301 Knapp St., Oshkosh
- Valley Trail Recycling & Disposal – (920) 361-4995, N9101 Willard Rd., Berlin

Tires and Antifreeze may be disposed of at the Winnebago County Landfill – (920) 232-1800, 100 W. County Rd. Y, Oshkosh; charges may apply, call for details.

Waste Automotive Oil free of all contaminants, solvents, hazardous materials, etc., may be dropped off at the following locations, some charges and limitations may apply:

- City of Oshkosh Yard Waste Drop off Site - (920) 232-5383, located on 3rd Avenue, between Ohio Street and Idaho Street. A Yard Waste Permit is not required to drop off oil. Used oil may be dropped off during regular Yard Waste Drop off Site hours.
- Winnebago County Transfer Station – (920) 232-1800, 100 W. County Rd. Y, Oshkosh. Used oil filters and absorbents also accepted.

Waste Cooking Oil: All clean used cooking oils, no bacon grease, may be dropped off at the Winnebago County Landfill – (920) 232-1800, 100 W. County Rd. Y, Oshkosh

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) should not be placed in either the garbage or recycling cart. Leftover household products that contain corrosive, toxic, ignitable, or reactive ingredients are considered to be HHW. Products, such as oil and lead based paints, cleaners, oils, batteries, and pesticides that contain potentially hazardous ingredients require special care when you dispose of them. For proper disposal please call Winnebago County Transfer Station (920) 232-1800 or visit: www.winnebagcountysolidwaste.com/hazardous-materials for more information.