

SIMPSONVILLE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT POLICY

The Solid Waste Management Policy contains information on the collection of trash, yard waste and bulk items

1. Trash Collection Schedule: Trash collection by the Simpsonville Public Works Department will be made Monday - Friday. Visit the webpage [Collection Routes](#) for a route map and list of routes by neighborhood.

2. Holidays: There is no trash collection on the following holidays: New Year's Day, Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day. Trash collection will be delayed 1 day for each route starting the day of the holiday. For example, Thanksgiving Day is Thursday so Thursday collection will be delayed to Friday and Friday collection to Saturday; collection on the preceding Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday is scheduled normally.

3. Trash Can: To obtain a new trash can or replace a damaged one, please call the Simpsonville Public Works Department at 864-967-9531. Each Simpsonville residence is provided 1 new black Simpsonville trash can at no cost. A second can is obtained by paying a \$75 fee to offset the cost of additional trash pickup; the fee is not to purchase the trash can.

4. Non-curb side collection is provided with a doctor's note when registered with the Public Works Department.

5. Businesses & Commercial Properties: The Simpsonville Public Works Department collects trash and yard debris from businesses and commercial properties in the Core Central Business District. The District consists of tax parcels and/or lots with frontage along North Main, North East Main, South Main and South East Main streets between Garrison Road and Chancellor's Park Court. Businesses located within the Core Central Business District will receive collection of one trash container. Recycling, extra trash containers and yard debris collection are the responsibility of the business.

6. Accessibility of Receptacles.

- Trash cans must have three (3) feet of clearance on all sides from all objects, including but not limited to mailboxes, vehicles, yard waste and other containers to allow trucks to operate.
- No vehicles can be parked in front of trash cans.
- Trash cans may not be placed under overhead wires, trees or other hazards that would risk the safety of crews and the public.
- The front of the container (or the side opposite of the handle) must face the street.

9. Recycling:

- Curbside single-stream recyclables pickup by the City of Simpsonville was discontinued in 2021 due to contaminated material and increasing fees.
- Visit the webpage [Recycling Alternatives](#) to learn about effective waste reduction strategies.

10. Yard Waste:

- All leaves, pine needles, hedge clippings and grass clippings must be bagged and separated from other yard debris.
- Bags of yard waste must weigh no more than 25 pounds. Public Works crews will not pick up bags of yard waste that are heavier than 25 pounds.
- Only leaves, pine needles, hedge clippings and grass clippings generated from residential property are collected.
- All bagged leaves, bagged grass and bagged hedge trimmings are collected weekly.

11. Materials Not Collected:

- Materials generated by a contracted service provider. All commercial contractors, landscapers and other entities hired by residents to landscape their yards, cut their trees and limbs, work on their house or provide land-clearing services are responsible for the removal of the debris and yard waste they generate.
- Construction/building materials and debris: roof shingles, windows/doors, bricks/blocks, lumber, fences, sinks, toilets, tubs/showers, cabinets, paint
- Tires from businesses or residents; tires must be taken to a Greenville County convenience center, Twin Chimney's Landfill or the retailer where the tires were purchased.
- Electronic Waste: computers, tablets, printing devices, keyboards, televisions, fax machines, photocopiers, VCRs, DVD/Blue Ray players, stereos, phone and consumer electronics

City Household Bulk Items & Brush Collection Policy

The City collects loose brush, loose leaves, white goods and large household bulk items according to the below guidelines. Collections by the City of loose brush, bulk items and loose leaves during fall leaf season will be made Monday - Friday and adhere to the City [Holiday Collection Schedule](#).

1. Brush Collection

- Public Works will collect loose brush from only residential properties.
- There is no set schedule for collection. The length of time between collections at any one residence is determined by the volume at that time.
- Public Works does not collect materials generated by contractors (see the above item **Materials Not Collected**).
- Brush should be placed a minimum of three (3) feet from the edge of the curb or pavement and at least five (5) feet away from obstructions such as automobiles, fences, mailboxes, power poles and shrubs.
- Brush should never be placed in the road or sidewalk. Blocking traffic lanes or creating line-of-sight hazards for motorists can result in liabilities to the homeowner.
- Loose brush must not be mixed with pine needles, hedge clippings, grass clippings, dirt, rocks and building materials. Remove dirt from root balls.
- Loose brush must not exceed 6" in diameter nor 6' in length. All brush removal is limited in quantity to 2 yards (approximately 1 pickup truck load) per pickup. Abnormal quantities of trimmings, lot clearings and tree and/or stump removals shall be transported to the landfill by the homeowner or contractor.

2. Leaf Collection

- Fall leaf season is **October 1 -April 1**
- Public Works collects loose leaves only from residential properties.
- The City does not collect loose leaves placed by contractors or commercial entities (see the above item **Materials Not Collected**).
- Only loose leaves will be collected. Do not mix grass clippings, branches, hedge clippings, dirt or other items with loose leaves. Grass clippings and other yard waste must be separately bagged for collection.
- Do not block traffic lanes with loose leaves. Blocking traffic lanes can result in liabilities to the homeowner.
- Place loose leaves at least five (5) feet away from obstructions such as automobiles, fences, mailboxes, power poles and shrubs.
- During fall leaf season, leaf vacuum trucks will continuously run. Collection will be made monthly at least once throughout the City depending on the quantity of leaves placed out for collection. During the remainder of the year leaf trucks, will run only when there are sufficient quantities of leaves to be collected. A list of locations to be collected will be generated from call-ins by residents and Public Works crews.

3. Christmas Trees: Christmas trees will be collected from the curbside and parking lot adjacent to the Community Building in City Park if dropped off in late December or January.

4. Large Household Bulk Item & White Goods Collection

- Large household bulk items and white good removal can be scheduled for collection by calling Public Works at 864-967-9531.
- Bulk items and white goods should be placed a minimum of three (3) feet from the edge of the curb or pavement and at least five (5) feet away from obstructions such as automobiles, fences, mailboxes, power poles, low hanging limbs and shrubs. Bulk trash should never be placed in the road or sidewalk. Bulk items and white goods should be piled and/or stacked neatly and not mixed with yard waste such as leaves and tree limbs.
- Acceptable Bulk Items:
 - Appliances (remove refrigerator doors)
 - Bed frames
 - Bikes
 - Carpet (rolled)
 - Chairs
 - Furniture
 - Mattresses
- Unacceptable Bulk Items:
 - Materials from commercial activities
 - Dirt
 - Sod
 - Rocks
 - Bricks, blocks
 - Concrete
 - Lead/acid batteries
 - Live ammunition
 - Electronics (see the below item **6. Electronic**)
 - Construction debris and materials (see #7 below)
 - Tires (see the below item **8. Tires**)

- Compressed gas containers or fluid liquid containers such as gas, oil or paint
- Household hazardous waste including but not limited to paint, fluorescent bulbs, tires, flammables, acids, pesticides, motor oil and pool chemicals. Contact Greenville County Solid Waste at 864-243- 9672 for disposal of hazardous waste items.

5. Spring and Fall Cleanup Days.

- The City will collect acceptable bulk items without appointment the first weeks of May and October. Place the materials curbside prior to Monday at 7 a.m. Depending on how heavy the volume of materials placed throughout the City, your items may not be collected the first week but will be the following week.

6. Electronic Waste: Electronic waste will not be collected. These items can be taken to the Public Works Department collection center at 110 Woodside Park Drive or a Greenville County convenience center. Electronic waste includes the following:

- Desktop, tower or laptop computers
- Tablets
- Printing devices
- Computer peripheral devices
- Keyboards
- Televisions (any kind)
- Fax machines
- Photocopiers
- VCRs
- Stereos
- Home and office phones
- Cell phones
- Consumer electronics
- Exception: televisions with a diagonal screen greater than 50" or large console cabinet televisions may be picked up by the City at curbside by appointment only. Contact Public Works at 967-9531 to schedule pickup of these items.

7. Construction debris and materials: Public Works does not collect construction or building materials and debris, including but not limited to roof shingles, windows, doors, bricks, blocks, concrete, lumber, fences, sinks, toilets, tubs, showers and cabinets.

8. Tires: Tires are not collected from businesses or residents and must be taken to a Greenville County convenience center, Twin Chimney's Landfill or the retailer where the tires were purchased.

Please direct all questions or requests for information to the Simpsonville Public Works Department at 864-967-9531