

# Royal Refuse Service - Spring 2019 Newsletter

NEWS: May 27<sup>th</sup>, Memorial Day – CLOSED

Routes and services will be delayed 24 hours leading into Saturday pick-ups.

## “Why should I Recycle?”

You know the three R's (Reduce, Reuse, Recycle) – now let's talk about the three E's: Energy, Economy, and Environment. Recycling saves energy because the manufacturer doesn't have to produce something new from raw natural resources. When energy consumption goes down, production costs go down. Savings are passed on to the consumer, and when recycled products are purchased, a demand for more recycled goods is promoted. This improves the economy. Waste has a huge negative impact on the natural environment, including the land, air, and water. Recycling reduces the need for more landfills, where harmful chemicals and greenhouse gasses are released into the air and land. By recycling, you are actively improving the planet's overall health by helping keep the air, water and land clean.

## Yard Debris Materials & Preparation

Limbs and sticks smaller than 4" in diameter and must be able to fit into container such that the lid can completely close. Grass, leaves and weeds UN-BAGGED only.

NOT ALLOWED: Plastic Bags, Dirt, Lumber or Dimensional Wood, Pet Waste

## Recycling Material & Preparation

**Preparation:** Empty and rinse out all containers and cans. Make sure recyclables are dry. Flatten corrugated cardboard and crush aluminum cans. Don't mix plastic bags with Recycling.

**Plastics:** Milk Jugs and Clear Drink Bottles ONLY. Please remove lids

**Tin/Aluminum:** Food & Beverages Cans with lids removed, Clean Foil. Please remove lids and/or tabs.

**Cardboard:** Please Flatten. NO Slick or Waxed Cardboard.

**Mixed Paper:** Newspaper, magazines, catalogs, phone books, junk mail, envelopes, colored & white paper, computer paper, tin can labels, wrapping paper (no foil or ribbon). NO shredded paper, tissue paper, wax paper, candy wrappers or snack food bags.

**Paper Board:** Cereal/cracker/shoe boxes (discard liners), soda & beer cartons, paper egg cartons and paper towel tubes. All paper bags accepted. NO frozen food boxes, paper cups, plates, towels, napkins or pet food bags.

## Cart Collection & Placement

Residential containers need to be set out by 7 a.m. or no earlier than 7pm the night before and brought back in within 24 hours. Cans must be placed on planting strip or against curb if a bike lane isn't being blocked or on apron of customer driveway so that the receptacle is accessible from the street unobstructed

## Collection Schedules

Once per week Trash schedules are paired with Every Other Week Recycle and Yard Debris with Recycle and Yard Debris on opposite alternating weeks. "01" or Green Weeks are Trash and Yard Debris. "02" or Blue Weeks are Trash and Recycle. If you have Every Other Week Trash the Recycle and Yard Debris weeks are unaffected.

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