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Pekin Illinois Garbage, Yardwaste and Recycling Programs

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Garbage

Please cut wood, carpet and pad into 4 foot length pieces and tie or tape into bundles. Charcoal and wood ashes need to be bagged.

Contain all garbage in proper (35 gallon, 65 gallon or 95 gallon) wheeled garbage containers that can be emptied with the City of Pekin garbage trucks. These containers are available from the City of Pekin or anywhere they sale comparable containers.

95 gallon: \$60.00
64 gallon: \$50.00

Weight not to exceed 50 pounds, unless using a wheeled garbage container that can be emptied with the City of Pekin garbage trucks.

All items must be at the curb to be picked up unless otherwise set up with the city.

All garbage, yardwaste and recycling must NOT be blocked by vehicles or any other item. Must be out by 6:00am

All cardboard must be broken down and bundled or taped when at the curb, includes Christmas and holiday boxes. Boxes with refuse placed in them will not be collected.

All garbage, yardwaste and recycling containers must not be at the curb longer than a 24-hour period on your garbage day.

Paint in liquid form will NOT be collected. To dispose of paint, remove the lid off of the can and allow it to dry completely. Once the paint has completely dried, place the can with the lid off, with your weekly garbage for collection.

Needles should be disposed of in a container such as a coffee can or plastic laundry detergent container. The lid must be taped securely to the container and clearly mark the container as containing needles.

A Little History...in 1989 the State of Illinois enacted a law stating that all yardwaste was to be separated from garbage. This law was brought about because of rapidly declining space in our landfills. Yardwaste in plastic bags does not decompose as quickly as it should. We need to continue to concentrate on increasing more involvement in the use of the yardwaste program. All of the yardwaste materials are recycled.

Season For Collection

Weekly pick-up April 1st thru January 15th.

What Is Considered Yardwaste?

Grass, leaves, and branches (maximum length 5 feet). Christmas trees, mulch, garden plants and straw. Tree branches in cans should not stick out of the can more than 1 foot.

Christmas Trees

May be set out for yardwaste pick-up December 25th thru January 15th, after this date they can be set out for garbage pick-up. Christmas trees are the only trees allowed in the landfill.

Yardwaste

What Type of Container Should Be Used For Yardwaste?

Garbage cans (no larger than 35 gallon), 95 gallon wheeled garbage containers purchased from the City of Pekin (and paper yardwaste bags available at hardware and grocery stores). Can weight is not to exceed 50 pounds, unless using a wheeled garbage container that can be emptied with the City of Pekin garbage trucks.

What Is Not Considered Yardwaste?

Animal feces, plastic flowerpots, plastic plant trays, dirt, rocks, bricks, concrete, treated lumber, sod and building materials (2' x 4's, plywood and drywall).

What Type Of Containers are Not To Be Used For Yardwaste?

Plastic bags, paper grocery sacks, chemical barrels, cardboard boxes and cans over 35 gallon in size.

Helpful Hints: Cans, bags and bundles should not exceed 50 pounds. Yardwaste cans and wheeled yardwaste containers must have the C-A-R-E stickers on them, facing the curb so drivers can distinguish between yardwaste and garbage.

The C-A-R-E stickers may be picked up free at the Service Center, 1208 Koch Street or City Hall, 111 S. Capitol Street.

If you have any questions, call (477-2325), or visit us at Pekin Street Department
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Recycling

QUICK FACTS PEKIN RECYCLES WITH PRIDE!

Recycling is not mandatory, but is encouraged! All items must be as follows or your recyclables will not be picked up.

Materials to be collected are:

Newspapers & Phone Books: Any flyers and advertisements that comes with your newspaper, office paper or school paper.

Shredded or Wadded Paper: Plastic bags will not be accepted.

Small Cardboard Boxes: Cake boxes, soda containers, cereal boxes, etc. Cardboard no larger than 3'x3' broken down. Large amounts of cardboard may be taken to the Recycling Center at the corner of S. 2nd and Cynthiana (by the T-Shirt House) or Midland Davis, 14379 IL Rt. 29

Aluminum Beverage Cans & Aluminum Foil Trays: Just rinse.

Steel (bi-metal to tin) Food and Beverage Cans, Aluminum Foil/pans

Plastic Marked #1, #2, #3, #4, #5, #6, #7: Just rinse; Examples are 2-liter soda bottles, bleach, detergent, milk, juice, shampoo, cooking oil and salad dressing etc.

Includes: Motor oil, antifreeze, pesticide or solvent bottles and wide-mouth containers such as margarine, ice cream and cottage cheese etc. Mix all the above items in your recycling bin. The driver will separate materials for you.

The red recycling cart is what identifies recyclables. Recyclables will be picked up once a week, at curbside, the same day as garbage and yardwaste are collected.

Where?

Once a week, year round, the same day garbage is picked up, curbside collection is provided to residents living in The City of Pekin.

Questions Frequently Asked

Do You Take Colored Plastic?

Yes, soap and detergent bottles are #2 plastic.

Should I Separate Plastic and Tin?

No, plastic, aluminum and tin are co-mingled in the truck and are separated at the Recycling Center.

Do I Need To Prepare The Recyclables In Any Way?

Simply rinse all the items.

What Should I Do If My Newspapers Won't Fit Into The Bin?

Place them in a brown paper bag or tie them in a bundle with string and set them next to your bin at the curb; this will also prevent blowing.

Do you take glass?

We take glass only at the S. 2nd and Cynthiana Street Recycling Center

How Can I Get A Recycling Container?

Call the Street Department, 1208 Koch Street at 309-477-2325 or City Hall at 309-477-2300

You may purchase a 64 gallon Recycling container at City Hall, 111 South Capitol Street, 2nd Floor for \$40.00.

All other items excluding paint, chemicals and tires are considered garbage and will be picked up weekly at your designated pick-up area.

If you have any questions, call the Street Department at 477-2325.

You can recycling items to Area Recycling at 14379 IL Route 29, Pekin
They DO NOT except Metal or Aluminum.

Where can I dispose of Electronics?

Kuusakoski Recycling
2022 W. Townline Road
Peoria, IL
309-691-5015

\$25 per TV & computer monitor
\$35 per Big Screen TV

Staples
3507 Court Street
Electronics only—NO TV's

Covered Electronic Devices: Computers (CPU's), Laptop Computers, Notebook Computers, Computer Monitors, Televisions, Printers

Eligible Electronic Devices: Mobile phones, Computer Cables, Computer mouse, Computer Keyboards, Fax Machines, MP3 players, PDA's, Video game consoles, Zip Drives, Scanners.