

RESIDENTIAL RUBBISH AND RECYCLING REGULATIONS

Trash, Yard Waste and Recyclables should be set out **at curbside by 7:00 a.m.** Containers shall **not** be set out prior to 5:00 p.m. the day before. Holiday weeks will be picked up **one day late after the holiday**; see schedule on the reverse side. Containers must be removed within 12 hours of collection. Subject to \$50.00 fine: Aldermanic Order 785 and 785-a.

TYPE & SIZE OF TRASH CONTAINERS: Plastic bags for trash are preferred. Plastic or metal barrels are acceptable. Rubbish will not be collected if set out in paper shopping bags or cardboard containers. Maximum size barrel is **forty-two (42) gallons with contents not exceeding 45 pounds.** No more than **four (4) barrels or bags plus one (1) bulky item (mattress, etc.) per week** will be picked up per household. To avoid accidental injuries, broken glass must be placed in a box taped closed and clearly marked 'broken glass' so that it is visible to the collector.

MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (DEP) BANS THE FOLLOWING MATERIALS AS DISPOSAL FROM REGULAR TRASH:

Leaves, grass clippings, hedge clippings, brush, other organic wastes, paper, cardboard; glass, plastic, and aluminum/tin containers; earth, gravel, concrete, asphalt pavement and shingles, asbestos materials, plaster, cement blocks, bricks, sand; or any refuse materials from building construction, demolition, or renovation.

METAL ITEMS: Metal items such as refrigerators, stoves, dryers, iron sinks, pipes, storm doors and windows, radiators, etc, are **picked up by appointment only** on Tuesdays coinciding with the "red" recycling week. Appointments are made at the Public Works Office in City Hall. A fee of \$15.00 per item must be prepaid and the collection day scheduled.

Recycle Do's

Recycle all newspaper, magazines, junk mail, phonebooks, scrap paper; cereal, pasta and cracker boxes; cardboard tubes from toilet paper and paper towels and egg cartons

Put shredded paper in stapled paper bag

Recycle all cardboard torn into 2' x 2'

Cardboard must be flattened

Pizza boxes must be turned inside out if clean, or rip off soiled portion

Recycle all glass bottles and jars, all steel and aluminum food and drink cans and lids

Recycle all plastics with 1-7 symbols

Recycle all yard waste (leaves, grass clippings; and brush up to one inch in diameter, 4 foot lengths bundled and tied)

Yard waste must be in paper bags or barrels marked yard waste

Recycle Don'ts

No soiled paper

No mixing of paper and commingles (glass, metal and plastics)

No stacking of cardboard boxes

No broken glass, light bulbs, window or auto glass, dishes, glasses, Pyrex or aluminum foil, no soiled containers

No plastic bags

No block Styrofoam, packing peanuts

No barrels or bags over 45 pounds

No yard waste in plastic bags

