

# SAVE – 2012 Trash Pickup Rules & Helpful Ideas – SAVE

## Garbage and Trash:

All materials must be placed at the curb by 6:00 AM on your scheduled collection day. No materials are to be placed at the curb for more than twenty-four hours prior to scheduled collection day. City owned garbage totes and recycle bins should NOT be placed in the street, buried in or on top of snow banks, and should be accessible to Sanitation Crews for pick-up. Empty receptacles must be removed from the curb within twelve hours after collection.

## Weekly Collection:

Each week on the scheduled garbage day, the Department will pick up the City issued green garbage receptacle(s) and blue recycling bin(s). In addition, the Department will collect up to:

- Two (2) clear plastic bags of yard waste not exceeding 30 pounds in weight each.
- Major metal appliances and large metal items.
- Tree parts, shrubs, hedges.

Appliances which use Freon as a refrigerant must be certified Freon free by a Refrigerant Recovery Technician prior to being placed out for collection under Federal Regulations. Such appliances must exhibit a "Freon Free Sticker" before the Department will collect them.

## Scheduled Heavy Pickup Collection Dates:

Bulky items such as large household furnishings (i.e. sofas, chairs, tables, beds, carpets, etc.) may be set out for collection only on the scheduled Heavy Pickup Collection Dates. Quantities are limited to four (4) cubic yards per property (3' X 3' X 12') and construction/demolition and hazardous materials are not to be placed to the curb.

Scheduled Heavy Pickup Collection Dates shall be published each year in the spring in the City's official newspaper (Tonawanda News), on the City's website, and at City Hall.

The 2012 Scheduled Heavy Pickup Collection Dates for the year are as follows. Residents should set out their large household furnishings on the evening of the first Sunday of each month, excluding November. The Department will begin collections on our next workday.

Sunday, January 1	Sunday, April 1	Sunday, July 1	Sunday, October 7
Sunday, February 5	Sunday, May 6	Sunday, August 5	<u>NO November Pickup</u>
Sunday, March 4	Sunday, June 3	Sunday, September 2	Sunday, December 2

## Non-Scheduled Heavy Pickup Collection:

Property Owners/Residents who wish to arrange for a heavy pickup in addition to the Scheduled Heavy Pickup Dates may do so by contacting the Public Works Department in advance and requesting a pickup on a fee for service basis. The fee for up to two (2) cubic yards in amount shall be \$65 and the fee for between two (2) cubic yards and four (4) cubic yards shall be \$130. No construction/demolition or hazardous materials.

## Additional City Issued Garbage Receptacles:

Residential producers of garbage are limited to one (1) garbage receptacle per dwelling unit up to a maximum of four (4) garbage receptacles per property. Non-residential producers of garbage are limited to four (4) garbage receptacles per property.

Where less than four (4) garbage receptacles have been issued to a property, residential producers may request one (1) additional garbage receptacle for an annual fee of \$65.

The application fee of \$65 will include delivery/pickup charges, receptacle cost, and collection/disposal costs for the remainder of the calendar year during which the request is made regardless of when the request is made. Any active extra garbage receptacle accounts will be automatically added to the property tax bill for the following year. Requests to remove additional receptacles will have to be made prior to December 31 of the prior year to avoid being placed on the next year's tax levy. Commitments for an additional receptacle are made in one full calendar year increments. Call Public Works for details.

## Missing, Stolen or Damaged Receptacles:

Property owners requesting a replacement of a City issued receptacle which they are reporting as missing, stolen or damaged by misuse, shall be required to sign a statement stating their request and the reason for the request along with the payment of the amount equal to the City's cost to acquire the replacement receptacle.

Current charges are:

Blue Recycling Bin	-	\$ 7.00
Green 35-Gallon Cart	-	\$30.34
Green 65-Gallon Cart	-	\$36.95
Green 95-Gallon Cart	-	\$54.00

**Garbage and recycling receptacles** issued by the City to certain properties shall NOT be removed from these properties nor painted or otherwise defaced.

**Solid Waste** generated by a contractor, including brush and tree parts, will NOT be picked up by the Department of Public Works.

**Solid Waste** not used or produced at residence of pick up will NOT be picked up by the Department of Public Works.

**Construction/Demolition Debris** will NOT be collected by the Department of Public Works.

**Do not** place brush and tree parts over ground fixtures (water shut-offs, hydrants, sewer vents)

**Holiday "Pick Up Schedule":** [www.northtonawanda.org](http://www.northtonawanda.org)

**New Year's Day   \*Presidents Day   Good Friday   \*Memorial Day   Independence Day**  
**Labor Day   \*Columbus Day   Veteran's Day   Thanksgiving Day   Christmas Day**

*\* Federally designated Holiday*

If your scheduled pick up falls on or follows any of the above holidays, pickup will then be delayed one day.  
(Friday pickup will be Saturday) -- (Subject to Change)

**Tires:** Will NOT be picked up at the curb. Tires may be brought in to the Department of Public Works, 758 Erie Avenue, between the hours of 7:00 am to 3:30 pm Monday – Friday, where a fee will be charged for disposal. For current disposal fees call 695-8585 (Department of Public Works).

**Televisions/Monitors:** Televisions/Monitors are NOT to be placed at the curb for disposal. North Tonawanda residents may deliver television sets (tube type, flat screen or projection) and monitors to the Department of Public Works for recycling between the hours of 7:00 AM and 3:00 PM, Monday through Friday, except Holidays. Television sets in consoles must have the electronic component separated from the furniture component prior to disposal. Proof of residency is required.

**Electronic Waste:** Electronic waste such as computers, laptops, printers, fax/photocopiers, VCR/DVD players, audio/video equipment, telephones, etc. may be recycled by bringing them to the Public Works Department during regular business hours (7:00 AM – 3:00 PM, Monday-Friday). For a complete listing of accepted recyclable electronic waste, please call Public Works or visit our website.

**Waste Motor Oil:** Return your used motor oil to the Auto Service Station or Retail Outlet where you purchased it. They are required by law to accept up to five gallons of waste oil. Or you may put used oil (not mixed with any fuel) in a sealed plastic container, label container as to contents, include your name and address and bring it to the Public Works Department for disposal (during regular business hours 7:00 am – 3:00 pm Monday – Friday).

**Propane Cylinders:** Including one-pound disposal type cylinders, will NOT be picked up at the curb. Propane cylinders may be brought in to the Department of Public Works, 758 Erie Avenue, between the hours of 7:00 am – 3:00 pm for proper disposal.

**Automotive Batteries:** Trade in your old battery when purchasing a new one. The law requires a deposit charge on batteries. Or bring your old battery to the Department of Public Works for disposal (during regular business hours 7:00 am – 3:00 pm).

**Paint Cans:** Place in regular garbage after the can is completely empty or has been solidified by mixing in an absorbent such as kitty litter, sawdust, or sand. Leave lid off paint can.

**Household Hazardous Waste (HHW):** Hazardous Wastes such as fuels, pesticides, paint thinners, etc. will NOT be collected by the City of North Tonawanda. The Niagara County Refuse Disposal District has set up a residential HHW drop off site at the City's Department of Public Works, 758 Erie Avenue. This drop off site is by appointment only, starting in April 2012. Niagara County Residents may make appointments by calling the Niagara County Refuse Disposal District at **434-6568**. For a listing of acceptable HHW at this site and more information go to: [www.niagaracounty.com/landfill](http://www.niagaracounty.com/landfill)

**Dusts** – Loose materials such as wood ashes, construction dust, and floor sweepings should be properly contained (bagged or boxed) before being placed in the green tote, to avoid inhalation hazard.

**Disposal of Hypodermic Syringes:** The medical facility or pharmacy of original purchase can provide for disposal. To dispose of in regular garbage, the use of a heavy plastic container with sealing cap such as a laundry detergent bottle is required.

**Donations:** Call the Salvation Army, Amvets or other charities to donate clothing, furniture, or other reusable items before putting them in the garbage. Someone may need these items and you may get a tax deduction.

**Questions? - Information - Call Department of Public Works**

**Phone: 695-8585**

**Fax: 695-8587**

**web site: [www.northtonawanda.org](http://www.northtonawanda.org)**