# TRASH GUIDELINES & INFORMATION

## All Homeowners:

Your trash must be set out the night prior to pickup day. Waste Management starts rubbish removal early and there is not a set schedule for the starting point of each route. Trash that is missed due to late set out will not be picked up until the following week - **NO EXCEPTIONS!!**

**Please write your address on all containers!**

## Toters and Additional Containers:

Please bag items and place in toters or additional containers. Bagging the trash keeps your toters/containers cleaner and does not allow items to stick or freeze to the bottom. **Please DO NOT place LOOSE TRASH in toters/containers or they will not be picked up. Additional containers must not exceed 32 gallons and must not weigh more than 50 lbs**.

**Please write your address on all containers!**

## Damaged Containers:

Broken or damaged containers supplied by Waste Management may be replaced or repaired if necessary. Please call (734) 699-8926 to notify us if your container needs to be replaced or repaired. ***Waste Management will only provide maintenance or replacement of cart due to normal wear and tear including broken wheels, worn out bottom, broken or bent front bar or lid damage***. **Repairs will take up to 2-3 weeks.**

## Set Out and Removal:

Toters, additional containers and trash should not be set out more than 24-hours/1-day in advance of your scheduled pick up day; and should be removed within 24-hours/1-day of your scheduled pick up day. Failure to remove containers or excess trash from the curb within 24-hours/1-day of your scheduled pick up day could result in a notice of violation and/or issuance of a citation under the Property Maintenance Code.

## Holiday Pickup Schedule:

If your trash day falls on a holiday, please continue to place your trash at the curb for removal on your regularly scheduled day.

## Special Pickups:

Pickups for refrigerators, freezers and air conditioners must be called in ahead of time for special collection due to Freon. These items will be picked up by a different truck than the normal trash truck. Doors on refrigerators/freezers must be removed and the shelving units from inside must also be removed and properly disposed of in a rubbish container.

To schedule a special pickup, please call the Community Services Department at (734) 699-8926 one day prior to pickup day.

## Homeowners of Brand New Homes:

Please call the Community Services Department at (734) 699-8926 to order your garbage container (toter) and recycle bin. You should receive both within 2-3 weeks following your call.

Please use a 32 gallon or smaller container until you receive your toter. Boxes are not acceptable rubbish containers.

## Stolen/Extra Containers:

If your Waste Management toter is stolen or missing, you will need to contact Waste Management at (800) 796-9696 to acquire a new one at a cost of $85.00. If you do not wish to purchase this container, you may use a 32 gallon or smaller container at the curbside.

## Stolen/Extra Recycle Bins:

If your Waste Management recycle bin is stolen or missing, you may purchase a new recycle bin at the Parks and Recreation Department at Van Buren Township Hall for $8.00. ***NEW! - You may now utilize 32 gallon containers for recycling. <u>All containers must have a recycle sticker on them</u>, stickers are available in the Community Services Department.*** **Please write your address on all containers!**

## If you are moving:

Please leave the rubbish container and recycle bin that were provided by Waste Management on the property for the next homeowner as they remain the property of Waste Management.

# DISPOSAL INFORMATION FOR SPECIAL ITEMS

## SHARPS/NEEDLES

Waste Management workers have seen an increase in loose needles in the trash. Please secure all needles/medical waste in a secure non-puncturable container, such as a laundry detergent container. **Please no loose needles in the trash!**

## PET WASTE

Once the ground starts to thaw, pet owners begin to clean up the winter pet droppings. Please ensure that pet waste is double bagged and not placed loose in containers. Loose pet waste can create many health issues for our workers. Please double bag! Your efforts are much appreciated.

## PAINT DISPOSAL

Latex paints may be disposed of at normal curbside trash removal, however they must be dried to a solid form. Oil based paints must be disposed of at Household Hazardous Waste Day which is held in October at the Environmental Quality facility located on the N. I-94 Service Drive. The date for this year is to be announced.

## OIL DISPOSAL

Please DO NOT dispose of oil at the curbside. Many of the local oil change facilities will dispose of the oil for you for a nominal fee or you can also dispose of oil at Household Hazardous Waste Day in October. The date for this year is to be announced.

# YARD WASTE GUIDELINES

## Leaves and Grass Clippings

Leaves and grass clippings may either be placed in paper compost bags purchased at your local grocery store, or placed in a trash can with a compost sticker. Compost sticker must face the road. **Do not use plastic bags!!**

**30 bags at curbside per week maximum!!**

Do not overload compost bags, and be sure to fold down the tops for easier lifting. **Excess of 30 bags must be taken directly to Woodland Meadows Landfill by obtaining a Landfill Pass at the Township Hall in the Community Services Office.**

If you are using a can, it must have a yard waste sticker. Face the sticker toward the street and place the container 10 feet from your garbage. It should not be any larger than a 32 gallon can. 50 lb. limit. **(Limit of 30 cans per week)**

**Please be sure that all yard waste is set out at the curb tied and bundled, in the appropriate container, and properly labeled.**

If you have any questions, please contact the Community Services Department at (734) 699-8926.

## Brush

Bundle all brush whose branches are less than 6" in diameter. Bundles must not weigh more than 50 lbs. Bundles must be no longer than 4 feet in length and 18" around. Brush larger than 6" in diameter must still be bundled, however, it is considered trash and will be picked up as such.

If your trash, yard waste, or recycling is not picked up by 4:00 p.m. on your regularly scheduled day, please call (734) 699-8926.

Compost season ends **the last full week in November** - no compost will be taken at the curbside after that date.

## Yard Waste Season

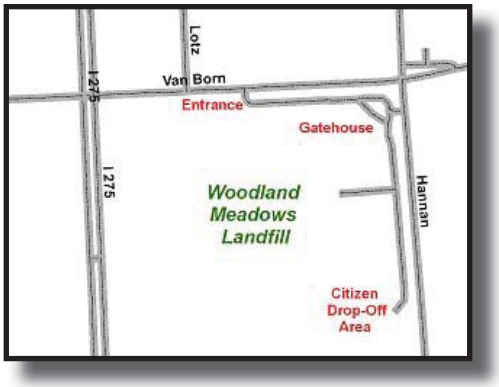
Yard Waste pickup **BEGINS the first full week of April and ENDS the last full week of November.**

# LANDFILL PASS/LANDFILL USE:

Large quantities of trash or remodeling materials will **NOT** be picked up at the curbside. As a Van Buren Township resident you have the option to utilize the Woodland Meadows Landfill located on the south side of Van Born Road, just west of Hannan Road (see map below). The citizen drop off area is located on the south side or back of the site. All vehicles entering the site must check-in at the gatehouse. Landfill hours are **Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m**. and **Saturday from 7:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m.**

Guidelines for utilizing the Woodland Meadows Landfill under the Van Buren resident agreement with Waste Management are listed below:

- You **MUST** obtain a free landfill punch card from the Community Services Office, located at 46425 Tyler Road in order to utilize the landfill as a Van Buren Township resident. To obtain a landfill punch card you must provide proof of residency (i.e. current driver's license). The punch card entitles you to twenty-four (24) free trips per year. Only one card per address per year will be issued by the Township.
- A valid photo ID with matching address must be presented with the punch card at time of disposal.
- This free dumping privilege **cannot** be extended to contractors or commercial vendors. Commercial vehicles will be refused entry or must pay for disposal of waste.
- Each punch on the Landfill Pass is worth up to 4 cubic yards, if over 4 cubic yards per trip the card will receive an additional punch(es) based on the size of the load. To calculate cubic yards you can use the following formula: Length (ft.) x Width (ft.) x Height (ft.) divided by 27 = cubic yards.
- Yard waste (compost, leaves, ect.) must be separated from household waste.
- White goods ***will not*** be accepted at the Landfill. White goods are any appliance that does or once did contain Freon (A/C units, Refrigerators and Dehumidifiers).
- Scrap tire disposal is limited to eight (8) tires annually.
- Recycling is also available at the citizen drop-off area.



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# SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING ACCEPTABLE MATERIALS GUIDE

Re COMMUNITY RECYCLING™
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## PAPER

Office Paper
Junk Mail
Newspaper
Phone Books
Paper Bags
Magazines

## CARDBOARD

Pieces 2ft x 2ft or Smaller:
Plain and Corrugated
Cardboard Boxes
Food Boxes
Shipping/Moving Boxes

## PLASTIC

Clean, Empty and Rinsed:
Plastic Containers #1,2,4,5,7
Jugs and Bottles
Mixed Rigid
NO unmarked
or #3 & #6 plastics

## METAL

Clean, Empty and Rinsed:
Aluminum
Metal Can
Pots & Pans
Clean Foil & Trays

## GLASS

Clean, Empty and Rinsed:
Glass Jugs
Glass Bottles
Glass Jars

## CARTONS

Clean, Empty and Rinsed:
Aeseptic Containers
Milk and Juice Cartons
Juice Boxes
Soup Cartons

## THE FOLLOWING ITEMS SHOULD NOT BE INCLUDED IN SINGLE STREAM

Scrap Metal
Window Panes Or Mirrors
Ceramics Or Dishware
Bio-Hazardous Waste
Unmarked Plastics, #3, or #6

Electronic Waste
Paint, Pesticides, Oil
Food Or Yard Waste
Fabrics Or Clothing
Waxed Paper

Waxed Cardboard
Polystyrene
VCR/VHS Tapes
Plastic CD Cases
Hoses

**NO PLASTIC BAGS**

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## CURBSIDE PICK-UP

Use bin and/or a 32 gallon refuse container with a Recycle sticker, 50 lbs. maximum weight. Stickers available at the township hall.
For questions call (734) 699-8926