

# Recycling Schedule – Green & Red Routes

## 2021

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 City Holiday—Saturday Pickup

**A Message from NCDENR for N.C. residents:**  
Below is a list of items **banned from landfill disposal:**

- Aluminum Cans
- Antifreeze
- Appliances
- Beverage containers from ABC permitted facilities
- Lead-Acid Batteries
- Motor Oil
- Oil Filters
- Oyster Shells
- Pallets
- Plastic Bottles
- Scrap Tires
- Yard Waste



N.C. Division of Pollution Prevention & Environmental Assistance  
(919) 715-6500 or (800) 763-0136  
[www.p2pays.org/BannedMaterials](http://www.p2pays.org/BannedMaterials)



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ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES DIVISION  
PO Box 1180 | Rocky Mount, North Carolina 27802  
252/467-4800 option 7 | <http://www.rockymountnc.gov>

## important changes to curbside recycling

The City of Rocky Mount completed conversion of residential recycling collection by rollout cart. Residents received a 96 gallon cart, gray in color with a blue lid, which provided additional space for the disposal of recyclables.

Please note that your assigned day of curbside collection recycling, bulk waste and yard waste has not changed. The only change to your curbside collection is how often we will collect your recyclables. Garbage, bulk waste and yard waste will continue to be collected each week. **Curbside collection of your 96 gallon recycling cart with the blue lid now occurs bi-weekly (every other week).**



The calendar on the opposite side of this brochure shows the scheduled collection week. If your residence was collected on the **GREEN** week in 2020 you will need to follow the **GREEN** schedule. If your residence was collected on the **RED** week in 2020 then you will follow the **RED** schedule.

One of the advantages of using these larger carts for recycling is the increased capacity for recycled materials. On the opposite side of this brochure, please review the list of items that we can accept for recycling. You will also find a list of items that we are unable to accept for recycling with helpful information about other recycling resources. We encourage you to be mindful of what you throw away that ends up in a landfill and what you can recycle.

Besides being a smart move for the environment, recycling also helps to keep your monthly solid waste fee low. It costs more to take garbage to a landfill than to send items for recycling.

If you have questions, please call us at 467-4800 option 7

Should collection not occur on your scheduled day, please contact us at 467-4800 option 7.  
Someone is available to take your call 24 hours per day.



accepted

Rocky Mount Public Works accepts several items & materials for recycling, both at the curb and at area drop-off centers, including:

**mixed paper** white, colored, & computer paper, shredded paper, file folders, brochures, catalogs, paper bags, junk mail, newspapers, magazines, phonebooks, & soft cover books

**corrugated cardboard** no pizza boxes or anything with food residue, please!

**paperboard** cereal, cake mix, tissue, shoe boxes, or other containers without a wax coating

**plastic containers** marked with #1 thru #7 (check bottom of container to identify)

**rigid plastics** buckets, plastic toys, lawn furniture, etc. (must be under 2 ft in length and under 40 lbs)

**glass containers** jars, bottles (clear, brown, or green)

**aluminum & steel cans** please, no food residue!

**aluminum foil** please, no food residue!

**used motor oil**\*\* max. of 3 containers per collection

**used automobile tires**\*\* max. of 2 tires per collection

**used appliances**\*\* dishwashers, refrigerators, hot water heaters, stoves, washing machines, dryers, etc.

\*\* used motor oil, tires, & appliances will only be collected from individual residences. To schedule collection of these items, you must call 467-4800 option 7

### CURBSIDE COLLECTION CHECKLIST

- ✓ fill your recycling bin with accepted materials
- ✓ rinse & dry all containers/throw away lids & caps
- ✓ put shredded paper in a brown paper bag before placing in the bin; this keeps paper from becoming airborne litter
- ✓ flatten cardboard & paperboard boxes/ no larger than 3' X 3' in size
- ✓ place commingled recycling bin at the curbside by 6:30 am on your day of collection
- ✓ should we happen to miss your cart, call 467-4800 option 7



not accepted

Rocky Mount Public Works does NOT accept the following items or materials in curbside bins:

**automotive fluids** antifreeze, engine cleaners, oil filters, etc.

**bagging material** (news print can be placed in paper bag)

**batteries of all types\***

**ceramics**

**chemicals & pesticides**

**coat hangers**

**fire extinguishers**

**fluorescent light bulbs\*\***

**hard cover books**

**household items** toasters, cooking pots, pans, etc.

**light bulbs**

**mirrors, window or auto glass**

**paint cans**

**paint, solvents, and glues**

**plastic antifreeze containers**

**plastic bags\*\*\***

**plastic clam shells**

**plastic medical waste**

**plastics** that have come in contact with petroleum products or hazardous waste

**printer cartridges—inkjet/laser \*\*\*\***

**propane tanks**

**PVC pipe/tubing**

**styrofoam or polystyrene**

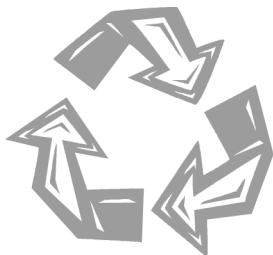
**vinyl siding**

\*note that computers, electronic equipment, & batteries may be taken to Tri County Industries/1250 Atlantic Avenue (please call them in advance)

\*\*compact fluorescent light (CFL) bulbs may be taken to Lowe's Home Improvement Store for recycling.

\*\*\*plastic bags may be placed in receptacles at Food Lion, Harris Teeter, & Wal-Mart for recycling. Or, find a way to reuse your plastic bags, such as liners for small trash cans.

\*\*\*\*inkjet/laser printer cartridges may be taken to Office Depot, Wal-Mart, or Walgreen's for recycling



Remember, your cart with the GRAY lid is for garbage.

Your cart with the BLUE lid is for recycling only.

## frequently asked questions

### Should recyclables be separated?

Recyclables need not be separated; all recyclable items can be placed together in your curbside recycling container.

### Can I still use my red recycling bin?

No, all recyclable items are to be placed in the new roll-out cart. If you have one of the 18 gallon bins, we encourage residents to keep the bin for use inside the home or garage to collect materials and then transfer them to the roll-out cart outdoors. Residents might want to use it for other purposes; it's a great storage container or tote for laundry, garden tools, etc.

### What can I do if I have too many recyclables for my one recycling cart?

Place additional recyclables in a clear plastic bag on top of the cart or take some of your recycling materials to one of the City's recycling drop-off centers (*see box below*).

### What should I do with the cart if I move?

The City-issued recycling cart is assigned to a specific address and is the property of the City of Rocky Mount. The cart is to remain in the backyard or garage when you move.

### How can I get a replacement recycling cart if I just moved in and my cart is missing?

Call the Environmental Services Division at 467-4800 option 7 to request a replacement cart.

### What can I do if I am physically unable to take my recycling cart to the curb for collection?

If you have a mobility impairment, please contact the Environmental Services Division at 467-4800 option 7 to arrange for assistance.

## recycling drop-off centers

drop off your recyclables at these shopping centers, conveniently located throughout Rocky Mount and accessible 24 hours/day, at no charge to you!

- **Beaver Pond** on Goldrock Road
- **Wellongate** on Jones Road
- **Oakwood** on Fairview Road
- **River's Edge** on Harbour West Drive

