Town of Atlantic Beach - Trash Collection Guidelines

RESIDENTIAL HOUSEHOLD TRASH/RECYCLING is collected by GFL. Green trash and blue recycling rollout carts are required. Carts shall be placed curbside on your service day by 7AM and removed that evening. If GFL is running behind for whatever reason, and your road has not been serviced, keep your cart curbside and they should get to it that evening or the following day. **Household furniture, mattresses, bedding, and bundled carpet** will also be picked up if placed beside the green cart.

- **Off-season Schedule:** (The week following Labor Day until the week prior to Memorial Monday)
  - Oceanside Trash: Monday
  - Soundside Trash: Tuesday
  - Recycling for all: Monday

- **Summer Schedule:** (Memorial Day through the week of Labor Day)
  - Oceanside Trash: Monday and Thursday
  - Soundside Trash: Tuesday and Friday
  - Recycling for all: Monday
- **Holidays:** GFL does not service household trash or recycling carts on Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, and New Years Day. Typically, they double up and service those addresses the next business day along with their normally scheduled routes.

RESIDENTIAL YARD WASTE, which includes grass clippings, leaves, tree and shrubbery trimmings, and other yard maintenance waste, is picked up by the Town of Atlantic Beach. Please bag the leaves and grass clippings in biodegradable yard waste bags. Limbs must be cut in lengths no longer than 4 feet. Place these items at the curbside. Please do not place items for pickup next to poles, mailboxes, fencing, under trees or under overhead lines as a boom truck is used for pickup. Large loads equal to half a truck full or more will require payment in advance to the Town Hall. The Public Works staff is not authorized to accept any form of payment.

WHITE GOODS, including refrigerators, ranges, water heaters, air conditioners, freezers, grills, and other similar appliances, are picked up by the Town of Atlantic Beach. They are recycled.

BUILDING, REMODELING, REPAIR MATERIALS OR ELECTRONICS (TVs, ETC.) WILL NOT be picked up by GFL or the Town of Atlantic Beach. It is the responsibility of the property owner or contractor to dispose of such materials.

- Note: After a severe natural disaster designated by FEMA, the Town may allow construction debris to be placed curbside for disposal by the Town or the Town's designated contractor. This is only permitted if this collection has been approved as reimbursable by FEMA.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

WHAT IF I NEED ADDITIONAL TRASH CARTS OR RECYCLING CARTS?

- TRASH: If you need more trash carts than you are already paying monthly for, contact Town Hall at waterbilling@atlanticbeach-nc.com or 252-726-1366 to request an additional $16.00 per month trash fee to be added to your utility bill. Town Hall staff will then contact GFL to have your additional cart delivered to your address. If you only have occasional trash overflow (less than once per three months), you may place the additional bagged trash next to your trash cart.

- RECYCLING: Each account is provided only 1 recycling cart. Extra recyclable materials can be delivered to any of the County's Convenience Sites at no charge, the closest being Vashti Drive in Morehead City and Hibbs Road in Newport.

WHAT DO I DO IF I MISS MY REGULARLY SCHEDULED TRASH OR RECYCLING DAY AND HAVE ITEMS FOR DISPOSAL?

- GFL has a video recording system on their trucks as well as barcodes that are scanned when serviced. They will verify if your trash/recycling was picked up or not before going back to an address. You may either skip that day's service and put it out on the next regularly scheduled day, or you may bring household bagged trash and your recyclable materials to any of the County's Convenience Sites at no charge, the closest being Vashti Drive in Morehead City and Hibbs Road in Newport.

WHAT DO I DO IF I PUT MY TRASH OR RECYCLING CARTS OUT BY 7 AM ON THE DESIGNATED DAY AND IT WAS NOT PICKED UP BY GFL BY 8 PM THAT EVENING?

- Contact GFL directly by calling 252-223-4176. If you contact Town Hall, we will provide you the contact information for GFL. GFL has a video recording system on their trucks as well as barcodes that are scanned when serviced. They will verify if your trash/recycling was picked up or not before going back to an address.

WHAT DO I DO IF MY CART IS MISSING OR DAMAGED?

- GFL will repair or replace them at no additional charge if they are broken during service by contacting GFL directly by calling 252-223-4176. If you contact Town Hall, we will provide you the contact information for GFL.

DO I NEED TO BAG MY HOUSEHOLD TRASH OR RECYCLABLES IN MY CARTS?

- Household trash must be bagged within your green trash cart. Recyclables are not to be bagged within the blue recycle cart.

WHAT ITEMS WILL GFL PICK UP ON MY DESIGNATED TRASH DAY?

- Household bagged trash and household furniture (mattresses, box springs, chairs, dressers, patio furniture, etc). The Town picks up yard debris and white goods (refrigerators, washers, dryers, grills, etc) weekly. Televisions MUST be personally disposed of at the Carteret County Convenience Site at Hibbs Road in Newport. Construction debris (lumber, shingles, windows, porch or pier decking/posts, etc) MUST be personally disposed of at the Carteret County Convenience Site at Hibbs Road in Newport unless you hired someone to do the work, in which the contractor is responsible for removal.

- Household hazardous waste (latex and oil paint, paint thinners, used motor oil, lawn and garden pesticides and fertilizer, gasoline, cooking oil, antifreeze, batteries, etc) is collected by the County on designated days at designated locations, typically annually.

WHAT CAN I RECYCLE AND WHAT DO I DO WITH ITEMS THAT EITHER DON'T QUALIFY OR QUALIFY BUT DO NOT FIT IN THE CART?

- The recycling symbol/ number doesn't actually mean a product is recyclable. It's only accepted if your recycling center can sort that item and if the material has market value. So forget the numbers, know this: plastic bottles, tubs, jugs, jars, paper, cartons, and cardboard are recyclable. When in doubt, throw it out. Recycled materials should be emptied and rinsed before placed in carts. Do not bag your recyclables within the cart. Extra recyclable materials can be delivered to any of the County's Convenience Sites at no charge, the closest being Vashti Drive in Morehead City and Hibbs Road in Newport.

DO THE NEW CARTS BELONG TO ME? IF NOT, WHAT DO I DO WITH THEM IF I MOVE?

- All carts are the property of GFL. Please leave the cart at your current address if you move.

WHERE DO I PLACE THE CARTS TO BE SERVICED?

- Place carts adjacent to the curb or roadway with the handle and wheels placing your house and the lid opening facing the street prior to 7 AM on collection day. The lid of the container must be fully closed for it to be serviced – so don't overfill your cart. Carts should be at least 10 feet away from mailboxes, vehicles, street lights, or power poles. Carts should be placed at least 3 feet apart from each other.

For additional information, please contact Town Hall at (252) 726-1366 or email waterbilling@atlanticbeach-nc.com.