NEW! Cart options to fit your needs

The City of Dubuque offers a volume-based fee structure for curbside trash collection.

**Option** | **Monthly Fee**
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Basic service (35 gal. bag or can) | $15.38
34-gal. City-issued cart | $15.38
34-gal. City-issued cart with wheels | $17.32
44-gal. City-issued cart | $20.65
94-gal. City-issued cart | $29.00
Annual yard waste decal (55 gal. bag or can) | $35.00
13-gal. City-issued food scraps green cart | $1.00
65-gal. City-issued yard waste cart | $11.00

- A limited supply of City-issued carts are available. Call for availability.
- Carts should be placed a maximum of 2 feet behind the curb and visible to crews for safe collection.
- All trash must be bagged. No loose trash accepted. Garbage must be covered with a lid.
- Food scraps can be combined with yard waste.

**Important Information:**

- Discounted rates are available to income-qualified customers.
- Containers at a common/shared setout point must be marked with the address and unit number.
- Solid waste must be set out in suitable tied bags or cans/carts covered with a lid.
- Containers must be heavy-duty, waterproof, a maximum of 35 gallons, and manufactured for refuse collection.
- Heavy-duty plastic bags manufactured for garbage are acceptable. Black bags are encouraged during winter months to assist in visibility.
- Discounts must be set out to the cart or alley line by 6 a.m. on the scheduled collection day. Refuse containers must not be set out more than 24 hours prior to the collection day or left out more than 24 hours after the collection day.
- Medical sharps must be in a small, hard plastic or metal container with a secured lid, marked “sharps,” and set out on refuse.

**Large Item Collection**

Need help disposing of large or bulky items? The City will collect them as part of the Large Item Collection program. To schedule an appointment, call 563.589.4250.

**Items that are accepted:**

- Appliances*
- Birdbaths
- Calendars
- Carpet
- Countertops (under 6’)
- Doors
- Electronics**
- Furniture
- Lawn Mowers
- Skis
- Tires
- Toners
- Windows
- **Electronics recycling - $20 for first device with screen, $10 for each additional screen up to 10, $15 for each additional appliances. See page 3 for details.
- **Appliances include: microwaves, stoves, refrigerators, freezers, led water heaters, washers, dryers, dishwashers, ovens, dishwashers, air conditioners, bus compactors, water softeners, furnaces, and miscellaneous refrigeration and electrical equipment with specialized switches.

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**Recycling paper, metal, and electronics**

- Composting food scraps and yard waste

**Important Information:**

- Green single-use stickers ($1.50 each) can be used for extra 30-gallon cans, bags, or smaller items, weighing less than 40 lbs. that do not fit in a can or bag. Available in sheets of five at area grocery, discount, and hardware stores, and at Utility Billing in City Hall at 50 W. 13th St.
- You can receive reminders to set your trash and recycling out by using the REThink Waste DBQ App or visiting www.cityofdubuque.org/rethinkwaste!
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Please do your part by keeping recyclables out of the landfill!

**Curbisde Recycling**

Recycle more, waste less! The City’s curbisde recycling program is the easiest way to divert materials from the landfill. Clean and dry plastic, metal, paper, cardboard, magazines, newspapers, and more are accepted. Larger recycling carts are available.

**Recyclable Items**

- Aluminum
- Cardboard
- Metal & Scrap Metal
- Paper
- Plastic

**DROP-OFF OPTIONS**

- Hy-Vee in Asbury Plaza
- City of Dubuque Municipal Services Center at 925 Kerper Ct.
- DMASWA Landfill Facility at 101 Airborne Rd.

The Dubuque Metropolitan Area Solid Waste Agency (DMASWA) sponsors three drop-off stations to provide access to Dubuque County residents for glass recycling.

Glass should not go into your recycling bin or tipper cart.

*Glass cannot be recycled curbside, but can be dropped off at the locations listed below.

**Glass Drop-Off**

The Dubuque Metropolitan Area Solid Waste Agency (DMASWA) sponsors three drop-off stations to provide access to Dubuque County residents for glass recycling. Glass should not go into your recycling bin or tipper cart.

Look for the purple containers at:
- DMASWA Landfill Facility at 101 Airborne Rd. (Now accessed by a frontage road off the Southwest Arterial)
- City of Dubuque Municipal Services Center at 925 Kerper Ct.
- Hy-Vee in Asbury Plaza

**Food Scraps / Yard Waste**

Dispose of yard waste and food scraps by diverting them from the landfill, turning them into compost, and reducing greenhouse gas. Options for customers include a monthly subscription, annual decals, or single-use stickers. Customers may combine food scraps and acceptable compostables in yard waste cans and/or paper bags for composting.

Items accepted for electronics recycling:
- Audio equipment
- Computer towers, monitors, and associated equipment
- DVD/Blu-Ray players
- Fax machines
- Printers, scanners, and associated cables
- TVs (tube, LED, and plasma)

Items not accepted for electronics recycling:
- Waxy beverage cartons
- Electronics
- Greasy pizza boxes

**Did you know?**

Up to 31% of food in Dubuque County is wasted. Consider composting your food scraps!

Collect your food scraps easily! 13-gallon Green Cart subscriptions are available for $1 per month. Call 563-589-4250 or and visit the website at www.cityofdubuque.org/halfofcarton for details.

**Setout Instructions:**

- Set your waste and food scraps out in brown paper yard waste bags with a single-use yellow sticker attached or a rigid container (up to 35 gallons and weighing no more than 40 lbs.) and either attach an annual decal ($15) to the container or slap a single-use yellow sticker ($1.30) through the handle. Additionally, City-issued yard waste carts are available.  See page 4 for pricing details. Yard waste in plastic bags will not be collected.

- Set out containers by 6 a.m. on your regular collection day from the first full week of April to the week of Thanksgiving. Winter collections are available by subscription or scheduled with called-in appointments.

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**Food Items Accepted:**

- Grains
- Fruits
- Vegetables
- Eggs
- Breads
- Canned Goods
- Dairy
-Frozen Foods
- Dried Goods
- Non-dairy Milk

**Food Items Not Accepted:**

- Meat
- Fish
- Seafood
- Oils
- Gravy
- Sauces
- Caviar
- Salad Dressing
- Canned Beverages
- Soft Drinks
- Sodas

**Reminders:**

Yellow bin(s) or blue recycling cart must be set out for collection by 6 a.m. Bins and any bundled materials may not weigh over 40 lbs. each. No plastic bags accepted — please recycle them at many local retailers. To request an additional bin, one with wheels for special needs, please call the Public Works Department at 563.589.4250 or visit the website at www.cityofdubuque.org/rethinkwaste.

**Electronic Recycling**

The City offers curbisde collection and recycling of old electronics. The cost is $20 for the first device with an electronic screen and $15 for each additional screen. Accessories and equipment without a screen are included in the $20 base fee for an electronic with a screen.

Schedule an appointment by calling 563.589.4250. Residents are still welcome to bring electronics to DMASWA for a charge of $15 per screen. Other non-screen electronics and accessories may be dropped off at no charge.

**Below is a short list of unacceptable items commonly found in recycling bins.**

- Glass
- Styrofoam
- Clothing
- Foods/Liquids
- Plastic shopping bags
- Orange prescription bottles
- Waxy beverage cartons
- Greasy pizza boxes
- Tissue/wrapping paper
- 563.589.4250 or visit www.cityofdubuque.org/rethinkwaste.

**Find which food scrap items ARE and ARE NOT accepted using the REThink Waste BBQ app at www.cityofdubuque.org/rethinkwaste**

- Reminders:
  - Glass
  - Paper
  - Metal
  - Aluminum
  - Cardboard
  - Plastic
  - Paper
  - Cardboard
  - Aluminum
  - Plastic

- **THESE ITEMS SHOULD NOT BE PUT IN YOUR RECYCLING BIN**
  - Waxed beverage cartons
  - Electronics
  - Greasy pizza boxes
  - Tissue/wrapping paper
  - *Drop-off glass recycling not available*

- **PLASTIC • METAL/ALUMINUM • PAPER • CARDBOARD**

- **ACCEPTABLE PLASTICS**

- **THESE ITEMS BELONG IN YOUR RECYCLING BIN**

- **NOT SURE WHAT GOES WHERE?**

  Use the WasteWizard at www.cityofdubuque.org/ReThinkWaste or download the FREE REThink Waste DBQ app!