

Garbage Collection

201-991-5400

Garbage Contractor:

The Borough has contracted with Cali Carting. All garbage complaints, including missed collections, should be directed to Cali Carting directly. Their phone number is 201-991-5400 or e-mail info@calicarting.com (visit their website at www.calicarting.com). Additional assistance may be provided through the Fair Lawn Recycling Division at 201-794-5341.

Garbage Holidays:

The garbage contractor will not collect on the following holidays: New Years Day, Memorial Day, July 4th, Labor Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas. Consult the collection calendar for your section for the next garbage day.

Container Requirements:

Garbage containers not only prevent animals from scavenging for food they also provide a means for the garbage collection personnel to carry and deposit your garbage into the collection truck. The following guidelines will help prevent litter as well as assist the garbage collection personnel in collecting more efficiently.



- ✓ Any metal or plastic barrel with a tight fitting lid that is not over 40 gallons in size. Pickle barrels are not acceptable or those with a lid opening smaller than the base of the can.
- ✓ Garbage containers may not weigh over 50 pounds. **(RGO 204.8(b))**
- ✓ No more than 4 containers or a total weight of 200 pounds may be put out for collection. Apartments buildings, businesses and houses of worship are limited to 500 pounds for any collection.
- ✓ *Cardboard boxes are prohibited from being used as a container and must be recycled as per regulations on page 2.*
- ✓ *The green Borough Recycling Barrel is prohibited from being used to hold garbage and may only be used for placement of bottles and can recycling materials.*
- ✓ **Loose plastic bags are not acceptable. Garbage must be placed in a sturdy container. (RGO 204.3)**

Placement at Curb Regulations:

The following regulations must be adhered to when placing garbage at the curb for collection. Failure to do so may result in non-collection and/or a summons.

- ✓ Garbage or recycling may not be placed in the street. All items must be left between the curb and sidewalk. **(RGO 204-6)**
- ✓ Rugs, carpets and padding must be rolled and tied in 3 foot (or smaller) lengths. Limited to the 200 pound rule.
- ✓ Garbage may not be placed at the curb before **6 pm** the night before collection but **must be** at the curb by **5 am** the morning of collection.

Bulky Materials:

Fair Lawn does not require bulky materials to be set out on special days, but no more than one bulky item may be placed at the curb on each regular collection day. Bulky items include mattresses, box springs, dressers, furniture, etc. Do NOT break the item up or the contractor may think that it is construction material and refuse to collect it.

Remember that **metal items and electronics** such as appliances, bed frames, TVs, computers, etc. must be recycled. See the requirements for curbside recycling collection on page 2 for further details.

Collection Times:

Collection routes are set by the contractor and may be changed at their discretion. All garbage must be placed at the curb for collection by **5 am** the day of collection. Any material placed at the curb later than this time risks not being collected.

Please refrain from calling if your garbage is not collected by its "normal" time. A number of things, including weather, truck breakdowns, road paving, etc., may occur that could detain the contractor from collecting the route and this could result in a delay in service. The contractor has until 6 PM to finish the route.

Prohibited Materials:

The following items are not collected as part of the garbage collection:

- ✓ Construction material (including concrete) (it is the responsibility of the contractor or homeowner doing the work).
- ✓ Recyclables must be recycled as defined elsewhere in this booklet.
- ✓ Asbestos, paint, chemicals or other hazardous materials.
- ✓ Rocks, sod, dirt or yard waste.