GARBAGE & REFUSE COLLECTION
RULES & REGULATIONS

****Summarized below are rules and regulations pertaining to residential trash service. Commercial and industrial facilities are responsible for their own trash service.

GARBAGE COLLECTION

- Household garbage is defined as anything from waste cans inside your home and bagged trash that can be placed in or beside the garbage container.
- On scheduled trash day, to ensure collection, garbage containers must be left on the curb by 7:00 AM. Curbs must be free of all vehicles, etc. to allow the automatic dumping system attached to the garbage truck enough room to empty the garbage container. Please make sure the front of your garbage container is facing the street with the handle towards your property for collection. Garbage containers must be removed from the curb after emptying, container should not remain on curb all week.
- One (1) standard garbage container with “Allied Waste”, “BFI”, or “Republic” clearly marked on each side will be provided to each resident by the Town of Arlington. Waste services are billed on your Memphis Light, Gas & Water statement.
- Damaged garbage containers, due to normal use, will be replaced with another container by calling the Town of Arlington Public Works Department at (901) 867-4980. The Public Works Department is not responsible for replacing dirty containers. Homeowners are responsible for keeping their garbage containers clean. If more than one (1) Allied Waste garbage container is present at the residence, the container will be removed. Residents are allowed additional garbage containers purchased from retail stores such as Home Depot, Lowe’s, Walmart, etc. The Town will not be responsible for any damage or loss of these containers.
- Personal effects not intended for trash collection must be kept away from garbage containers in the collection area. Failure to do so may result in loss of those personal effects. Allied Waste personnel are not responsible for picking up any loose household garbage in the area.
- We do not collect on the following holidays:
  - New Year’s Day
• Martin Luther King Jr’s Birthday
• Memorial Day
• Independence Day
• Labor Day
• Thanksgiving Day
• Christmas Day

• On the holidays listed above, trash collection will be moved one day forward. Example, normal trash collection day falls on Wednesday will be moved to Thursday and so forth.

TRASH SERVICE SCHEDULE
Household garbage is collected from the curb on the following days:

• Monday: Hayes Road, The Preserve, Snyder Plantation, Chapel Ridge, Windsor Place, Cambridge Manor, Village of White Oak, Maple Grove, Brooks Manor, Kensington Subdivisions, Highway 70 East from Chester Street, Chester Street South to Collierville-Arlington Road, Collierville-Arlington Road South to Highway 64, and all areas South of I-40 to the Fayette County line.

• Tuesday: Country Crossing, Carter’s Cove, Village of Arlington, Doctor Logan Subdivisions, Highway 70 from Airline Road East to Chester Street, Airline Road South to I-40, and everything North of Hayes Road between Airline Road and Chester Street.

• Wednesday: Village of Summer Meadows, Summer Meadows, Snyder Grove Subdivisions, and East & South of Milton Wilson to I-40.

• Thursday: Highway 70 West of SR-385 to the town limits, South of Highway 70 to Memphis-Arlington Road, Memphis-Arlington Road from SR-385 to the town limits. This includes Hidden Meadows, Arlington Trace, Arlington Station, Arlington Downs, Arlin Drive, Bonnie Creek Cove, Lamb Road, and Dixon Robinson Street.

Collection of Yard Debris, Appliances, Etc.

• All small tree limbs (no longer than 7 or 8 feet), bagged leaves, bagged grass trimmings, and other large items will be picked up on your regularly scheduled trash day if placed on the curb or next to your garbage container by 7:00 AM. Certain items can cause damage to the vehicle and cannot be picked up with the claw. Please contact the Public Works Department at
(901) 867-4980, if you have any questions or concerns about items not mentioned.

- Contractors are responsible for the disposal of the following materials: home remodeling, roofing, carpet, tree removal, etc. The Town of Arlington will NOT be responsible for removing such items.
- Oil based paints, batteries, used motor oil, tires, appliances containing Freon will not be picked up. These items can be disposed of at the Shelby County Hazardous Waste Disposal Center on Mullins Station Road. For more information, contact (901)379-4438.

Collection of Recyclables

- Friday, all recycling bins must be left on the curb by 7:00 AM to ensure collection of the below referenced recyclables. Recyclables, not picked up on Friday, will be picked up on Saturday.
- Two (2) standard recycling bins will be provided to each resident by the Town of Arlington.
- Damaged recycling bins, due to normal use, will be replaced with another bin by calling the Town of Arlington Public Works Department at (901)867-4980.

Acceptable Material for Recycling

ONP - old newspapers and advertisement inserts, loose or placed in Kraft (brown) paper bags
OMG - old magazines containing glossy coated paper, including catalogues, glossy fillers or mailers, loose or placed in Kraft (brown) paper bags
OCC - old corrugated containers (cardboard) and that have liners of Kraft, jute, or test liner. OCC can be damp but not soaked. Wax coated OCC containers are not acceptable.

Kraft (brown) paper bags - all sizes of loose, bundled or bagged Kraft paper grocery sacks
Junk Mail - all dry, loose or bagged bulk mail consisting of paper or cardboard. All unopened junk mail and envelopes with window are acceptable
High-grade paper - all dry, loose or bagged white and colored ledger and copier paper, notepad paper (no backing), loose leaf fillers, computer paper (continuous-form perforated white bond or green-bar paper) (Shredded Paper must be in secured bag.)
**Boxboard** - all non-corrugated cardboard, commonly used in dry food and cereal boxes, shoe boxes, and other similar packaging. Boxboard with wax or plastic coating and boxboard that has been heavily contaminated by food is not acceptable.

**Telephone Books**

**Other Acceptable Recycling Items**

- Glass, transparent and translucent food and beverage bottles and jars of any color. Paper labels are acceptable as are rings and lids on glass containers
- Tin/Steel cans, tin-plated, food and beverage containers, all sizes; paper labels are acceptable
- Empty aerosol cans with lids removed
- Aluminum used beverage containers
- Aluminum foil, food trays and wrappers

**All rigid plastic containers including but not limited to:**

- **HDPE, PET, PP plastic bottles** - blow-molded (bottle-necked) natural and colored HDPE containers, including plastic milk jugs, water jugs, detergent bottles, soda bottles, dishwashing soap bottles, some shampoo bottles and similar items; caps and labels allowed

  **All HDPE, PET, PP plastic tubs, cups, and trays are acceptable, with exceptions noted below.**

- **Bulky Rigid Plastics** - defined as large polyethylene and polypropylene items (5 gallon pails, crates, large plastic toys, trays, plastic lawn chairs, bins, barrels etc.)
- **Aseptic and Gable Top containers** - Paper milk and fruit juice container, gable and flat tops which are empty, rinsed and reasonably dry with straws removed from drink boxes. Material consists of liquid packaging board containers including empty, used polyethylene (PE) coated, printed one-side aseptic and gable top cartons containing no less than 70% bleached chemical fiber and may contain up to 6% aluminum foil and 24% PE film.
- Pots and pans consisting primarily of metal with minimal plastic.
Unacceptable Material is any material not specifically listed in the Delivery Standards, Including but not limited to:

- Bagging material (news print can be placed in a Kraft bag)
- Mirrors, window or auto glass, light bulbs, ceramics, any plastic containers without an SPI code, expanded (foam) plastic (e.g. Styrofoam), oil or antifreeze containers, plastic film, coat hangers, paint cans.
- Hard Cover Books
- Hazardous, toxic, radioactive, or similarly dangerous material
- Food scraps or any other organic material
Question: Where does the grease come from?
Answer: It is common knowledge that grease is a byproduct of cooking. Grease can be found in the following:

- Meat Fats
- Baking Goods
- Butter/Margarine
- Shortening
- Lard
- Cooking Oil
- Food Scraps
- Sauces
- Dairy Products

Many times grease is washed into the plumbing system, usually through the kitchen sink. Grease sticks to the insides of sewer pipes (both on your property and in the streets). Over time, the grease can build up and block the entire pipe. Garbage disposals do not keep grease out of the plumbing system. Disposals can only shred solid materials into smaller pieces and do not prevent grease from going down the drain. Commercial additives, including detergents that claim to dissolve grease, may pass grease down the line and cause problems in other areas.

Grease can cause the following problems:

- Raw sewage overflowing into your home
- Raw sewage overflowing into yards, streets and neighborhood parks
- Expensive and unpleasant cleanup (paid for by the homeowner)
- Increase in operation and maintenance costs for the sewer department (creating higher sewer fees for residents)

Here are several suggestions to help solve grease problems:

- Never pour grease down sinks, drains, or into toilets
- Scrape grease and food scraps from plates, pots, pans, utensils, grills and cooking surfaces into the trash for disposal.
- Do not put grease down garbage disposals
- Use strainers/baskets in sink drains to catch food scraps and other solids to be emptied into the trash for disposal