Refuse & Recycling Collection Information

On July 1, 2014 the Village of Machesney Park will have new refuse removal carrier for single and duplex residential homes in the Village.

New residents are required to contact Rock River Disposal (see below) to set up an account for refuse removal.

**Rock River Disposal**  
4002 South Main Street  
Rockford, Illinois 61102  
(815) 965-2489

To help residents in the transition we would like to provide the following information on residential refuse removal.

1. **BILLING:** Each residential and duplex unit is billed on a three-month billing cycle. You will be billed directly from the refuse hauler and will be responsible to pay the refuse removal bill. If you feel you have been missed or are a new resident please contact the refuse company directly from the information provided above.

2. **SERVICES PROVIDED:** The refuse hauler will provide weekly pick-up of household waste and recycling. Refuse and recycling removal occurs on Friday’s Village wide. Refuse is collected from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. All residents should have all refuse curbside by 6:00 a.m. the day of collection.

From April 15th until December 15th yard waste removal is provided at each residential dwelling unit. Yard waste may be placed out with the regular garbage for removal. Yard waste must be place in the “kraft” paper yard waste bags or may be placed in any 33 gallon or less garbage can with an “X” marked on the side. Tree trimmings must be cut in four (4) foot sections and weigh nor more than forty (40) pounds and can be handled by one individual. Plastic bags, sod, dirt, stones and rocks **cannot** be accepted with yard waste due to compost site regulations.
One bulk item such as furniture, fixtures or one roll of carpet that can be lifted by an individual will be collected with refuse each week. Carpeting should be bundled and tied in a roll not exceeding four (4) feet in length and two (2) feet in diameter and must weigh less than forty (40) pounds.

Large bulk items such as cast iron tubs, and appliances in particular appliances that may contain contaminants or components requiring inspection and/or certification, and items which require special equipment or personnel because of extreme weight and size may require special pick-up.

These items may include hot water heaters, stoves, ranges, air-conditioners, refrigerators and freezers. These items cannot be taken to a landfill due to State law. Please contact the hauler to make arrangements. The resident has the option to call an alternative hauler in order to obtain the best price in cases of special removal as listed above.

Residents’ who desire pick-up of yard waste that is not allowed for weekly pickup, must contact independently with a landscaper for disposal of such material.

3. **LEAF COLLECTION:** Beginning on or around October 15th of each year and continuing through December 15th of each year the disposal company will provide curbside vacuuming of leaves. In the event of inclement or early winter weather the refuse company will schedule to return to the vacuuming of leaves at the earliest possible time as weather conditions permit.

**Rules and Regulations for Leaf Vacuuming:**

The following are the rules and regulations for leaf vacuuming:
- a. Leaves must be place along the curbs (roads edge for non-curbed streets)
- b. Please do not place leaves on gravel along road edge, because rocks can damage the vacuum system.
- c. Please do not pile leaves in one big pile, spread them along the curb or road edge in a wind row.
- d. Please do not place leaves in bags for vacuuming.
- e. Have the leaves at the road edge by 6:00 a.m. on Monday of each week.
- f. Rock River Disposal will vacuum leaves within three feet of the curb or road edge. They will not remove leaves from private property.
- g. Do not park cars in front of leaves to be vacuumed.
- h. Collection will take place on Village streets only, no alleys or private property.
i. Only leaves will be collected. Grass clippings, branches, twigs and trash cannot be vacuumed.

4. **HOLIDAY SCHEDULE**: If the following holidays fall on a Sunday through Friday, refuse collection will be on Saturday instead of Friday. New Year’s Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day.

5. **RECYCLING COLLECTION PROGRAM**: All recyclables listed below may be placed together in one container. There is no need to separate them.
   a. Newspaper (and all inserts)
   b. Magazines, catalogs, phone books
   c. Junk Mail (construction paper, colored paper, etc.)
   d. Office paper (letters, letterhead, envelopes [no windows])
   e. Chipboard (cereal boxes, tissue boxes, paper towel and toilet paper rolls, etc.)
   f. Cardboard (must be flattened – can be cut)
   g. Metal Products (aluminum cans, tin/steel and bi-metal cans, food and beverage cans only and please rinse the containers)
   h. Plastic Products (all plastic bottles and containers with recycle numbers 1 through 7 in the recycle symbols printed on the container: Examples are liter pop bottles, milk, water and juice bottles, liquid detergent, fabric softener, bleach, and shampoo bottles and please rinse the containers and throw away caps and lids).
   i. NO PETROLEUM PRODUCTS OF ANY KIND, NO ANTI-FREEZE CONTAINERS, NO OIL CONTAINERS OF ANY KIND, NO SYROFOAM.
   j. Glass Products (glass bottles and jars, please remove labels. All colors and please rinse the containers and throw away lids)
   k. NO WINDOW GLASS, CERAMICS, MIRRORS, LIGHT BULBS, PYREX, OR DRINKING GLASSES.
BASIS AND METHOD OF RATES TO CUSTOMERS

Modifications to rates whereby the rates applicable in each subsequent year of the Contract shall be as follows:

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*** Services provided with single bag rate are as follows:

Rock River Disposal Services will pick-up one-32 gallon size garbage can or bag of household trash not in excess of fifty (50) pounds per week at the curb. This service will not include recycling service, leaf vacuuming service or yard waste removal services.

HAZARDOUS WASTE AND OLD TIRES

Household hazardous waste such as paint, oil, anti-freeze, flammable liquids, pesticides, poisons, acid, bases, household and automotive batteries and insulin disposal is available in Winnebago County for all residents at the Rock River Water Reclamation District, 3333 Kishwaukee Street, Rockford, Illinois (815) 387-7400.

The drop off facility is open on Saturdays from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Sundays from Noon to 4:00 p.m. Closed on holidays. The facility does not take tires or garbage and will not accept hazardous waste from commercial or industrial businesses.

Old tires can be disposed of by contacting one of the following companies: Star Used Tire Disposal at (815) 378-6023 or Shamrock Ace Disposal (815) 968-1592.

Any questions on the refuse removal program can be directed to the waste hauler, Rock River Disposal Services at (815) 965-2489 or by contacting the Village Hall at (815) 877-5432.