

CITY OF STEVENS POINT AUTOMATED GARBAGE/RECYCLING INFORMATION

Preparation instructions: All garbage must either be placed directly in your cart, free of a bag or if you wish to use a bag it must be clear or transparent. Collection crews must be able to see the garbage while being dumped.

Curbside Recycling:

RINSE & MIX CONTAINERS TOGETHER (no bag)!

CANS: Steel (push partially attached lid into can)

Empty Aerosol (non-pesticide only!)

Aluminum (do not crush)



GLASS: Jars & Bottles



PLASTICS: Most #1 - #7 Put caps/lids in garbage.

Plastic containers (bottles, jugs, food, beverage, deli, ice cream, yogurt, cottage cheese, bakery, medicine/pill, kitty litter containers, flower pots or trays, clear/rigid clam shell packaging, 5 gallon pails and small toys). All recyclables must fit into bin.



PAPER: (May mix in paper bag then put in cart to minimize contamination.) Office paper, junk mail, catalogs, envelopes (with or without windows), magazines, newspapers, phonebooks, paperback books, and paper bags. Flatten all: Paper egg cartons, containerboard, cardboard, rolls and tubes.



ASEPTIC BOXES & PAPER CARTONS: Soup, milk, broth, orange juice, soymilk, etc. (Discard removable plastic caps; do not remove spouts. Empty, rinse and flatten.)



Sorry, NO..... plastic film, shrink wrap or bags (any #), brown #1 plastic, plastic straws, plates, silverware, drink pouches, frozen food containers, food, styrofoam (egg cartons, hot beverage cups, plates, formed packing pieces, or packing peanuts), foam/polystyrene, aluminum foil & baking pans, metal or plastic liners, motor oil containers, light bulbs, mirrors, window glass, ceramics, clay pots, tissue products, paper towels, soiled paper, dirty cardboard, CD cases, vinyl (siding, etc.) Place these items and non-demolition items in your brown lid refuse cart.

Too large to fit into your brown lid refuse cart?

Purchase a bulk item pick-up tag at the City Treasures Office located at 1515 Strongs Avenue or bring the bulk item to the Stevens Point Drop-off Site during drop-off hours for a fee. Call 346-1537 or go on-line at stevenspoint.com for more details.

ALL GARBAGE AND RECYCLABLES must be at curb/street side by 7:00 a.m. It cannot be out earlier than 6:00 p.m. the day before collection and must be off curb/street side by 12:00 midnight the day of collection. Any garbage or recyclables placed out beyond these hours is subject to removal with the costs charged to the property owner. GARBAGE AND RECYCLABLES not in compliance with collection requirements will be tagged with non-collection information and will not be collected.

ELECTRONICS - Wisconsin's electronics recycling law bans the landfilling of: Computers, laptops, printers, televisions, computer peripherals, fax machines, DVD players, VCRs and other video players (i.e., DVRs), phones and video displays, etc. Contact the Street Dept. at 346-1537 or the Portage County Solid Waste Dept. at 343-6297 for an e-cycle drop-off location.

Residents who have any questions or would like more information regarding the garbage/recycling program can check on-line at stevenspoint.com or call the Street Dept. at 346-1537.

Collection Schedule: Garbage will be collected every week while, recycled items will be collected every other week on the same day as your garbage. See calendar and alphabetical street listing.

All garbage must be placed directly in your cart, free of a bag or if you wish to use a bag, it must be clear or transparent. Collection crews must be able to see the garbage while being dumped. See above for recycle information.

You can pay the fee(s) for additional cart service or exchange your cart for a different size by contacting the Streets Department at 346-1537. The application form can be acquired on-line at stevenspoint.com (additional fees may apply).

Disabled and cannot move your cart? Contact the Street Dept. at 346-1537 to apply for special assistance.

Cart Placement:

- Always place your cart so that the arrow on the lid is facing the street. This places the cart in the proper position for emptying.
- The best placement is in your driveway, or next to it so that it is four (4) feet away from obstacles such as parked cars, mailboxes, and utility poles, including other carts.
- Another option is to place your cart in the gutter right next to the driveway if it is not a travel lane (this is recommended in areas with heavy parking).
- Carts can be placed in a cleared area of your terrace or the area between the sidewalk and the curb.
- Carts may be placed partially on the sidewalk where the sidewalk is adjacent to the curb, or where there is a narrow parkway as long as there is at least three (3) feet of sidewalk clear for passage (accessibility standard) and as long as it is less than eight (8) feet to the face of the curb.
- Where there is no curb and gutter, carts may be placed anywhere behind the pavement edge, in the shoulder area.
- Place your brown-covered garbage cart on the opposite side of the driveway from your green-covered recycling cart.
- If your cart is on private property, it will NOT be collected.
- The area between the cart and the street MUST be clear of obstacles.
- Do not place carts on top of snow banks.

Improperly placed carts will NOT be collected.



The Street Dept. will NOT collect garbage or recyclables that do not fit in your cart with the lid closed. Please DO NOT over stuff your cart, over stuffed carts do not allow for gravity to aid in the collection process and your cart may not empty completely.

Please remember the carts belong to the City and must remain at the property when you move. Please refrain from permanently painting or marking on carts and report any damage or theft to the Street Department at 346-1537.

Self-haul these items to:

Stevens Point's Drop-off Site at 100 Sixth Avenue
Or PCSWD Transfer Facility at 650 Moore Road

Lead acid vehicle batteries: Self-haul to above.



Used automotive **oil filters** and **absorbent materials** are banned from Wisconsin landfills. Filters can be taken free to the Stevens Point Drop-off or the Portage County Solid Waste Department for a fee.



Do not mix **used motor oil** with gasoline, solvents, oil-gas mixture, or water contaminated oil. Put in clear screw cap plastic container (max 2.5 gallons).



Yard materials (leaves, grass clippings, plant stalks, flowers, twigs/sticks). Self-haul to the Stevens Point drop-off site ONLY. For home composting options, call Portage County Solid Waste Department info Line 343-6297.

Demolition Material will not be collected; small amounts may be brought to the Stevens Point Drop-off on certain days for a fee. Call the Street Dept. at 346-1537 for more information. Debris from major remodeling, construction projects should be self-hauled to the Portage County Solid Waste Dept. Transfer Facility.

Household Hazardous Waste, degreasers, fuel, auto fluids, solvents, yard/garden pest controls, household cleaners, paints swimming pool chemicals, gun cleaning fluid, creosote, photography chemicals, etc. Bring these items **ONLY to the Portage Co. Solid Waste Dept Transfer Facility** (by Appointment Only 343-6297). Put only dried out latex paint and empty paint cans (with lids off) in your garbage cart. If unsure about what is acceptable, please call.



Large Plastic Items (15 gallon containers or larger, furniture items, toys, etc.) must be delivered to the Portage County MRF at 600 Moore Road.



Medical needles/syringes or other sharps items and old or unused **pharmaceuticals** will NOT be collected. Call 346-1537 or 343-6297 for proper disposal procedures.