

# Village of Depew

## Garbage & Recycling Laws and Guidelines- Effective July 7, 2008

### GARBAGE

The equivalent of **6 cans of normal municipal solid waste** including garden and yard waste, ashes, (*cold ashes only*), plaster, stones, bricks and building materials. All waste must be containerized.

- **DO NOT INCLUDE:** tires, pesticides, oils, solvents, flammable liquids, explosives, animal carcasses, industrial waste, other regulated hazardous waste or building materials left by a contractor.
- **Place garbage in 20 or 30-gallon watertight cans with covers and handles, with a limit of 60 pounds per container.**
- **DO NOT PLACE BAGS OF GARBAGE AT THE CURB. THEY MUST BE PLACED IN WATERTIGHT CONTAINERS WITH COVERS.** Containers must be made of high quality vinyl, rubber, plastic or metal will close fitting cover or lid.
- **IF YOU HIRE A CONTRACTOR FOR REMODELING JOBS, THE CONTRACTOR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR REMOVAL OF DEBRIS. THIS INCLUDES LANDSCAPE CONTRACTORS REMOVING TREES, SHRUBERY, AND GRASS.**
- Landlords shall provide Containers for their tenants.
- **Penalties/Enforcement – (For a complete copy of the law contact the Clerk’s Office at 683-1400)**
  - For the first offense of not having waste in covered container = a written warning.
  - For a second offense = a fine of \$50.00
  - For a third offense = a fine of \$100.00
  - For a fourth or subsequent offense: a fine of not less than \$150.00, nor more than \$300 as set by the Village Judge.

### FOR COLLECTION

Place garbage and recyclables at the roadside, within 5 feet of the road, after 5 p.m. the night before your scheduled pickup day. Containers must be removed from the curb within 24 hours after Waste is collected. Garbage and recyclables will be collected on the same day in separate trucks, at different times during the day.

### LARGE ITEMS

A large item is any refuse that cannot be placed in cans or bags easily. **ONLY TWO LARGE ITEMS WILL BE PICKED UP PER WEEK AT THE ROADSIDE.** Large items will be collected on the same day as regular service and placed in the compactor truck. These items shall include, but are not limited to; furniture, mattresses and box springs, carpets and carpeting (rolled and tied – 4 foot lengths).

### HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

NEW YEAR’S DAY, MEMORIAL DAY, INDEPENDENCE DAY, LABOR DAY, THANKSGIVING DAY, AND CHRISTMAS DAY THERE WILL BE NO SERVICE. *If your collection day is on or follows any of these holidays during the week, then your collection will be one day later.*

**PASSENGER TIRES:** clean, no rims, can be brought to the Department of Public Works, 315 Borden Road, Depew, New York, between 7:00 am & 3:00 pm, Monday through Friday at a charge of \$3.00 per tire.

### **Hypodermic Needles**

To dispose of hypodermic needles: break needle, place in hard plastic, screw top container, (i.e. detergent bottle) be sure to seal cap tightly, secure cap with tape (masking tape or duct tape) then place in regular garbage, not recycle bin.

### **Unacceptable Waste**

All dead animals, explosives or flammable liquids, pesticides, large lead batteries (car equipment), compressed gas cylinders, motor oil, liquids hazardous or infectious waste, sludge, septic tank pumpings, junk automobiles, regulated hazardous wastes and pathological wastes.

### **Computer and Electronics Recycling**

Computers, monitors, printers, copiers, keyboards, audio and video equipment should be brought to the **Department of Public Works, 315 Borden Road (Enter from Rutherford Place off Broadway) Monday through Friday from 8am to 2:30pm.**

### **Appliance Disposal and Pickup**

Refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners, televisions, stoves, washers, dryers, dehumidifiers, dishwashers, & hot water tanks will be picked up by the Department of Public Works. The disposal fee for Refrigerators, freezers & air conditioners - \$15.00, television fee - \$10.00, all others – no fee. Please go to the Village Clerk’s Office between 8:30am & 4:00pm to pay the disposal fee. The appliances must be set at the curb on Thursday mornings. Please remove refrigerator & freezer doors before placing them at the curb.