



City of Wilkes-Barre

Garbage, Yard Waste & Recycling

FACT SHEET

GARBAGE COLLECTION

All garbage is to be placed in City of Wilkes-Barre blue plastic garbage bags. Garbage placed in any other bags or containers will NOT be collected.



The following items will NOT be collected:

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| Ashes | Dirt | Stone |
| Bricks | Construction Materials | Tires |
| Rugs | Appliances | Furniture |

Garbage Collection Schedule

All garbage is to be placed at the curb by 7AM on your scheduled weekly collection day.
(6 AM Memorial Day through Labor Day)

Day	Neighborhood
Monday	Downtown, South Wilkes-Barre 1
Tuesday	North End, Heights, Brookside
Wednesday	Mayflower, Rolling Mill Hill, Iron Triangle, Goose Island
Thursday	South Wilkes-Barre 2
Friday	East End, Parsons, Miners Mills

Holiday Collection Info

City observed holidays will modify the collection schedule. Please visit the city calendar, website, or Facebook page for holiday pickup information.

City "Blue" Bags

City garbage bags can be purchased at local grocery and convenience stores. Please visit the city's website at www.wilkes-barre.city for a complete listing of stores.



Bag Size	Weight Limit	Price per Pack of 5 Bags
Small	15 Pounds	\$9.25 (\$1.85/bag)
Large	30 Pounds	\$13.00 (2.60/bag)



As a "mandated municipality" the City of Wilkes-Barre is mandated to recycle, according to Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) regulation: the Pennsylvania Municipal Waste, Planning, Recycling and Waste Reduction Act of 1988 (ACT 101).

Residential Recycling

Recycling various items reduces the amount of waste going into landfills, decreases disposal costs, saves natural resources, and lessens pollution risks.

Wilkes-Barre operates a recycling program for residents within the City limits.

All recycling is to be placed at the curb by 7AM on your scheduled weekly collection day. (6 AM Memorial Day through Labor Day)

Recycling Rules:

- Recycling will **not** be collected from plastic bags (clear, white, black, store bags, etc.)
- Recyclables must be clean and visible to DPW crews
- Do not overload recycling bins
- Compact cardboard and dispose of cardboard and paper in the recycling bins as best as possible, especially when there is rain or snow.

Recyclables will be collected from:

- City-Issued Recycling Bins
 - There are no additional recycling bins available at this time, but the city is working towards getting new bins for residents.
- Recycling Bins Purchased by Residents (available at home improvement stores)
- Open paper bags with newspapers inside
- Oversize cardboard boxes with compacted cardboard inside

Recycling Drop Off Site

In an effort to promote more recycling in Wilkes-Barre, recyclables can be dropped off at:

Department of Public Works Garage
3 Conyngham Avenue, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701
Monday through Friday from 7 AM to 3 PM
(Memorial Day to Labor Day: Weekdays 6 AM to 2 PM)



Recyclable



- 1-7 Plastics
- Aluminum Cans
- Aluminum Foil
- Cardboard
- Cereal Boxes
- Color/White Paper
- Detergent Bottles
- Empty Aerosol Cans
- Egg Cartons (No Styrofoam)
- File Folders
- Glass Jars & Bottles
- Hard & Soft Cover Books
- Juice & Milk Cartons
- Junk Mail
- Newspaper/Newspaper Inserts
- Magazines & Brochures
- Multi 3-ply paper
- Paperboard boxes
- Phone Books & Catalogs
- Plastic Milk Jugs
- Plastic Soda Bottles
- Pots & Pans
- School Papers
- Small Metals
- Tin Cans
- Water Bottles

Not Recyclable

- **Plastic Bags*** (Grocery, storage, garbage)
- Ceramics or Pyrex®
- Drinking Glasses, Plates, & Vases
- Frozen food/beverage containers
- Hazardous or Bio-Hazardous Waste
- Light Bulbs
- Mirror
- Napkins/Paper towels
- **Needles/Syringes****
- Paper to-go containers
- Plastic 6-pack holders
- Plastic Microwave trays
- Plastics (other than those listed)
- Scrap Metal
- Shredded Paper
- Stickers or sheets of address labels
- Styrofoam
- Tissues
- Tyvek® envelopes
- Waxed paper
- Waxed Cardboard
- Window Glass

*Plastic grocery, storage, and garbage bags are not recyclable.

Please return clean bags to stores that accept them or dispose of them with household waste in a blue bag.

Needles and Syringes are not recyclable and must be disposed of properly in a disposal container and then into a blue garbage bag. **Recycling needles and syringes poses a health risk.

YARD WASTE

Yard Waste Collection Schedule

Yard waste is collected curbside weekly on your scheduled collection day between the last full week of April and the first full week of December. Yard Waste drop-off at the DPW garage follows the same schedule.

This year, Yard Waste Collection begins on April 23, 2018

Leaf Waste is also collected during special pickups each fall.

Accepted Items

Leaf Waste



Grass Clippings



Sod



Garden Residue



Garden Waste



Wood Waste



What containers can I put yard waste in?

- ❖ City-Issued Yard Waste Bins
 - ❖ There are no additional bins available at this time, but the city is working towards getting new bins for residents.
- ❖ Yard Bins Purchased by Residents (available at home improvement stores)
- ❖ Yard Waste Bags (available at home improvement stores)

For more information:

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