



CITY OF CARLSBAD
SOLID WASTE DEPARTMENT
PUBLIC NOTICE

To better serve your needs and to remain in compliance with Chapter 44 of the City of Carlsbad Code of Ordinances, we ask that you adhere to the following rules:

1. Residential garbage needs to be bagged and tied prior to placement into your collection receptacle. Chapter 44 defines garbage as: **all rejected or waste food, offal, swill, carrion, slops and waste or unwholesome materials of every kind.**
2. Make sure trash and bulk items are in the alley or up front at the curb next to your property, and ready for collection no later than the weekend prior to your collection week. **It is not necessary to put your trash next to a Dumpster®. Please keep your trash on your property and not your neighbor's.**
3. Make sure weeds, grass clippings, and leaves are properly bagged or boxed for collection. **If these materials are not contained, they will not be picked up.**
4. Make sure tree trunks and branches are cut to lengths not exceeding four feet and are properly bundled. **If this is not done, they will not be picked up.**
5. Small amounts of weeds, grass clippings, and leaves should be bagged or boxed and placed in the Dumpster. This may also be done with small branches. **Please remember to leave enough room in the Dumpster for your regular household garbage and for the use of those sharing Dumpster with you.**
6. Please separate tree limbs from other types of trash. We are processing tree limbs into mulch to be used in composting and landscaping. **The separation of limbs is of tremendous help in hauling materials to their destination.**
7. **Do not put hot ashes, cinders, smoldering coals or greasy or oily materials that are subject to spontaneous ignition in the Dumpster.** This is a serious fire hazard that has caused numerous fires in our garbage trucks. Please put your ashes in a metal bucket covered with water and let them sit for two days before placing them in the Dumpster.
8. Do not place concrete, rocks, dirt, gravel and remodeling or construction and demolition rubbish out for collection. **This includes carpet and roofing materials. These materials must be hauled to the landfill by the contractor performing the work, or by the property owner.**
9. Do not place car body parts, tires, or appliances for collection. **These items must be hauled to the landfill or to a metal or tire recycling center by the property owner or by someone hired to perform this specific task.**

Thank you for your cooperation and let us continue working together to keep Carlsbad clean and beautiful. If you have any questions or comments, please call us at 575.885.6262 or email sschneider@cityofcarlsbadnm.com. To read Chapter 44 in its entirety, visit us on the web at <http://cityofcarlsbadnm.com>.