Frequently Asked Questions

**Question: What can I do with my large items the remainder of the year?**

LARGE ITEM PICKUP SERVICE during other times of the year:

Special pickup of Large Items at any other time of the year can be made upon request for a fee PER EACH ITEM by calling the Public Works office 419-354-6227.

- The fee is $25 for the first item and $15 per item thereafter.

- *Remember:* refrigerators, freezers, dehumidifiers, air conditioners, tires, chemicals, solvents, fuels, and liquid paint will NOT be picked up by City refuse crews.

**Question: When should I set out my large items to ensure collection?**

To ensure collection, large items MUST be placed curbside by MONDAY at 7AM of the scheduled collection week. However, items should not be placed curbside any earlier than 5pm on the Sunday before the scheduled collection week.

For the Public Works Schedule and Holidays:
go to: www.bgohio.org
Click on Public Works Division then the Schedule & Holidays tab on the right.

You can also find information for other City services such as Large Item, Brush and Leaf Collection.

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For additional information:
(419) 354-6227
www.bgohio.org
Who is eligible to receive City Large Item Collection?

Per City Ordinance 94.02, the City will collect refuse from one or two family dwellings on Public Streets. The City does not collect refuse from apartments or businesses.

The large item pick-up is for locations served by city refuse collection to pick up items that are of such configuration that they do not fit in the refuse containers utilized for weekly collection. Refrigerators, freezers, dehumidifiers and air conditioners will not be collected.

The City is not authorized to pick up building materials, construction or demolition refuse, sod, or rocks. Other limitations, guidelines, and instructions are available on the City’s website at www.bgohio.org (Public Works).

Pickup is by WARD and NOT connected to your normal refuse collection day. To ensure collection, large items MUST be placed curbside by 7AM ON MONDAY of the scheduled collection week. However, items should not be placed curbside any earlier than 5pm on the Sunday before the scheduled collection week.

Large Item Collection process:

- Refrigerators, freezers, dehumidifiers, air conditioners, tires, chemicals, solvents, fuels, and liquid paint will NOT be picked up by City refuse crews.
- Mattresses/box springs will be collected for an additional fee. No more than three mattresses/box spring sets per address will be collected. The fee is $25 for the first mattress or box spring and $15 per mattress or box spring thereafter up to a total of 3. The fee must be paid prior to collection at 304 N. Church St. Public Works office.
- By law, the City is not authorized to pick up building materials, construction or demolition refuse, sod, and rocks. These items may be taken to the Wood County Landfill (Landfill fees apply).
- Carpeting and padding must be cut up and rolled into bundles not to exceed 4 feet in length or 18 inches in diameter. Bundles must be tied with rope or cord heavy enough to support the weight of the bundle.
- Swing sets will be picked up curbside, but they must be broken down and dismantled for collection. Any concrete needs to be cut from the swing set poles. The concrete will not be collected.
- Small items left at the curb will not be collected. Please place such items inside your refuse container.

Private trash cans or other containers left at the curb may be taken away with the refuse. Do not place items at the curb you wish to keep.

If the curbed item can be placed into the City container, it is not considered a large item as it can be collected during normal refuse collection. It is encouraged that small items be placed in the refuse containers for weekly collection.

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Items placed in the City right of way not in conformance with this collection process will be considered litter and a violation of City Ordinance 94.21.

During the announced collection weeks, there will be one citywide sweep of all four wards. Once the crew has completed a street, they will not return.

This is NOT an unlimited refuse collection.

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Department of Public Works

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