Curbside waste collection during construction

Construction on your street can obstruct waste vehicles from accessing your items. The construction project manager is responsible to coordinate access or, in most cases, move all waste items to a central location for our crews to access. Please write your address on all your containers and have out by 6 a.m. on your collection day.

**Large and bulky item and appliances**

**When:** Collected every second week. Curbside by 6 a.m. during construction.

**Limit per collection:**
- **Garbage:** use garbage bags instead of cans.
- **Bulky item and appliance:** three items or bundles

**Approved garbage cans:**
- Two handles
- Maximum can height 84 cm (33 inches) and volume 121 litres (32 gallon).
- Maximum weight 23 kilogram (50 pounds)
- Write your address on all containers
- **Not allowed:** large wheeled carts

During times of construction, please use bags instead of cans.

**Find waste information**

**Waste Whiz search tool**
Download the Waste Whiz app or use online on our website.
- Find your collection day and schedule
- Check how to dispose of an item
- Set up collection reminders

**Website:**
www.regionofwaterloo.ca/waste

**Call:** our 24/7 Customer Service at 519-575-4400

All items must be at the curb by 6 a.m. on your collection day during construction.

**Blue box recycling**

**When:** Collected each week. Out by 6 a.m.

**Limit per collection:** Unlimited

**What can be recycled:** Only retail packaging from food, drink, cleaners, toiletries, pet and dried paint products.

**How to sort into two blue boxes:**
- Use one blue box for containers (bottles, can, cartons, jugs and tubs)
- Use a second blue box for paper and plastic bags (tie into one bag)
- Flatten and bundle cardboard boxes and place beside your blue boxes

**Approved blue box:**
- Rectangle blue plastic box; rim around the top
- **Not allowed:** wheeled carts, blue plastic bags or round cans

**Maximum weight for any bag, bin, bundle, or can is 23 kilograms (50 pounds).**

**Cardboard bundled:**
- 75 x 75 x 20 centimetres (30 x 30 x 8 inches)

**Containers only box:**
- Maximum 91 litres (24 gallons)

**Paper and plastic bags box:**
- 60 litres (16 gallons)
### Green bin food waste

**When:** Collected each week. Curbside by 6 a.m. during construction.

**Limit per collection:** Unlimited

**What can go in the green bin:** All food waste, paper towels, napkins, tissues, wrapped pet waste and indoor plant waste.

**Green bins available for pick up at our sites.**

**Maximum weight:** 23 kilograms (50 pounds) per green bin.

**Line the green bin:** Use a paper liner or a Certified Compostable liner bag.

**Do not use:** Plastic bags (retail bags) or biodegradable bags.

### Yard waste collection

**When:** Collected every second week, opposite garbage, seasonally spring to fall. Look up your schedule on Waste Whiz app or our website. Curbside by 6 a.m. during construction.

**Limit per collection:** Unlimited

**Approved containers:**
- Paper yard waste bags (bags must be dry and in good condition) or an approved garbage can with a brightly coloured ribbon tied to the handle.
- Branches must be tied into bundles with cotton twine.
- Maximum bundle is length is 92 centimetres (3 feet).

**Maximum diameter:** 7.5 cm (3 inches)

**Maximum weight:** 23 kg (50 pounds)

### Items banned from curbside

- Batteries, chemicals, paint and propane tanks
- Cardboard boxes full of garbage or recycling
- Car or automotive parts, tires
- Concrete, fence posts and railway ties
- Residential renovation waste (drywall, tiles)
- E- waste (computers, TVs, VCRs).
- Liquid waste
- Mixed piles of waste, unbundled or loose garbage
- Syringes, needles and lancets
- Unwrapped broken glass and mirrors

**Broken glass and sharp items must be:**
- Wrapped in several layers of newspaper, taped shut, and put into the garbage, or
- Put in a sealed cardboard box, labeled and placed beside your garbage at the curb.

Find waste information: [www.regionofwaterloo.ca/waste](http://www.regionofwaterloo.ca/waste). Search how to dispose of an item: Waste Whiz