

# Recycling Information

Please recycle only the items below:



## PLASTICS

Recycle plastics #1 - #7. Look on the bottom of containers for a number inside the recycling arrows.



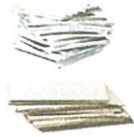
## GLASS BOTTLES & JARS

Rinse clean and recycle all glass bottles and jars.



## METAL & ALUMINUM CANS

Recycle all food and beverage metal cans — steel, tin and bi-metal.



## CARDBOARD, NEWSPAPER & MAGAZINES

Recycle newspaper inserts, catalogs, paperback books, phone books and brochures.



## PAPER FOOD CONTAINERS

Recycle food boxes, cereal boxes and pasta boxes.



## PAPER

Recycle envelopes, office paper, junk mail, greeting cards and file folders.

Shredded paper should be put in a paper bag.



*Please make sure your recyclables are empty, clean and dry before placing them in your recycling cart.*

## Recycling Made Easy

- ✓ Please be sure your recycling cart is at the curb by 7 a.m. on your collection day.
- ✓ All your recyclables can be placed together in the recycling cart. Place your cart 1 foot away from the street so it can easily be seen by the driver.

## How to Recycle Properly

- ✓ All types of recyclables may be placed together in your recycling cart.
- ✓ If it looks like rain, be sure to close the cart lid. Wet paper products cannot be recycled.
- ✓ Rinse plastic, aluminum and metal cans; remove lids.

## Do Not Recycle

- ✗ Appliances
- ✗ Batteries
- ✗ Bubble wrap
- ✗ Aluminum foil
- ✗ Christmas lights
- ✗ Coat hangers
- ✗ Electrical cords
- ✗ Stuffed animals
- ✗ Polystyrene foam (Styrofoam™)
- ✗ Tires
- ✗ Waxed cartons
- ✗ Wood/yard waste
- ✗ Food waste
- ✗ Food wrap
- ✗ Garden hoses
- ✗ Plastic bags
- ✗ Rubber balls
- ✗ Sports equipment
- ✗ Syringes/razor blades



Welcome  
City of Garden Ridge

## Automated Recycling Collection

Visit [RepublicServices.com](http://RepublicServices.com)  
or call **210.304.2700**  
for more information.



## Welcome to the Future!

A new and exciting way of collecting is here. With the delivery of your carts, an automated truck will begin collecting your recycling and trash.

Recycling saves energy, reduces pollution and preserves valuable natural resources — with very little effort on your part. Republic Services will provide each residence with one 96-gallon recycling cart (light blue lid). Residents may mix all recyclable materials into this one recycling cart, which will be picked up weekly on the same day as your waste pickup day.

Republic Services will also provide each residence with one 96-gallon trash cart (blue cart with black lid).

Using an automated truck for collection can be much more efficient than standard rear-load collection. Increasing efficiency helps us keep your costs down. Automation will also make recycling easy and hassle-free for you.

All recycling and trash must be placed in the carts provided by Republic Services.

While you review the basic procedures below, please keep in mind the single most important factor: in order to increase productivity, it is absolutely necessary to keep the driver in the truck as much as possible.

Automated trucks use a mechanical arm, which will wrap around your cart and empty the contents into the top of the truck. Our carts are designed to work with this collection system. Please do not purchase carts. You must use the cart provided.

## Proper Cart Placement Is the Key to Automated Service

- ✗ Place the cart at least 3 feet from other objects, like trees, poles, fire hydrants, mailboxes, electrical boxes, cable boxes, etc., and at least 3 feet away from cars so the automated arm can reach your cart.
- ✗ Please have this same distance of 3 feet between your recycling and waste carts.
- ✗ Don't lean anything against the cart.
- ✗ Don't place your cart under a tree.
- ✗ Place carts 1 foot from the curb or edge of the street.
- ✗ Remember to have the handle toward your house, with the lid closed.
- ✗ Please don't allow children to play in or around the carts. Republic Services trucks use mechanical arms to pick up the recycling and waste carts.
- ✗ Do not put paint, hot ashes, light bulbs, computer screens/keyboards or other electronic items with a plug in your recycling carts.



**Waste** should be placed in the waste cart provided and should not exceed 50 pounds.

**Recyclable materials** should be placed in the recycling cart provided and used just for recyclable materials.