



# CANTON TOWNSHIP



## Solid Waste Collection Guidelines and Rules

GFL Environmental USA Inc.

42100 Van Born Road - 844/464-3587

(Located on Van Born Road at Lilley Road)

ALL ITEMS MUST BE SET OUT AT THE CURB BY 6:30AM ON YOUR COLLECTION DAY

**HOLIDAYS:** Refuse/recycling collection is not scheduled on the following holidays: ***New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas Day.*** Usually if a collection date falls on a holiday (i.e. Monday-Thursday), all collections will be delayed one day that week. If the holiday falls on a Friday-Sunday, there will be NO change in the collection schedule. If you are unsure of your collection date refer to Canton's website at [www.canton-mi.org](http://www.canton-mi.org), call Public Works at 397-1011 or call GFL at 844/464-3587.

**APPLIANCES, FURNITURE, & LARGE BULKY ITEMS:** Items must be set out at the curb with your refuse before 6:30 a.m. on your collection day. There is a limit of **two large items per week**. If the item is not picked up within 24 hours after your refuse is picked up, call our office. If bad weather threatens, cover upholstery with plastic to keep it dry and light. **DO NOT** pack appliances in cardboard boxes. Appliances are picked up separately and recycled. Appliances such as hot water tanks and dehumidifiers **MUST** be empty of all fluids. **PLEASE NOTE:** It is a Township Ordinance requirement that refrigerator and freezer doors be removed before they are set out at the curb.

**SMALL LOOSE ITEMS:** Separately bag and tie small loose items such as Kleenex tissues, napkins, styrofoam peanuts, cups, etc and place in your refuse container.

**CARDBOARD BOXES:** Flattened cardboard must be cut into pieces and placed in the recycling cart. No commercially produced cardboard is accepted.

**CARPETING:** Carpeting and padding will be picked up at the curb **ONLY** if it is rolled up and tied with heavy twine - or duct tape, and the tied rolls are no longer than three feet in length, not weighing over 50 pounds per roll. A large piece of disposable film plastic wrapped and tied (kite string) over these materials will help keep them dry and light when bad weather threatens. If you do not want to cut and tie carpeting, you may call and inquire about a special pickup (FOR A SMALL FEE).

**E-WASTE:** Only home electronics from Canton residents will be accepted at Canton Clean-up - **electronics from commercial businesses will NOT be accepted** - and include; televisions, computers, laptops, printers, fax machines, computer keyboards and mice and small handheld electronic devices (i-Pods, radios, game boy, etc). Please note: E-waste will only be accepted at Canton Clean-up dates and NOT at the curb. All clean-up dates can be found in your Focus newsletter or on Canton's website at [www.canton-mi.org](http://www.canton-mi.org). Canton Clean-up Dates are for Canton residents only and are free of charge.

**HAZARDOUS MATERIALS:** Canton offers an annual Hazardous Waste Round-up every September. Many types of household hazardous materials including chemicals, batteries, and paints are accepted at the round-up. For more information on Canton's annual Hazardous Waste Round-up, or to obtain a complete list of what is and is not accepted, visit [www.canton-mi.org](http://www.canton-mi.org) or call Canton's Public Works Division at 397-1011 ext 0.

**FROZEN CONTAINERS:** If refuse or recycling containers are frozen to the ground the crew will not take it. Due to safety considerations, crews cannot "dig out" frozen material in refuse cans or recycling carts. Remember, all material must be curbside and prepared for pickup by 6:30 a.m., regardless of the time it is usually picked up.

**HEAVY SNOW:** GFL will send trucks out on schedule except in extreme conditions. Bags and refuse cans must be accessible from the road. Dark bags are the easiest to see. **PLEASE NOTE:** Some services may be temporarily suspended due to weather/road conditions, visit Canton's website at [www.canton-mi.org](http://www.canton-mi.org) for notices. Do not set refuse on a snow bank, all collection items **MUST** be placed in your driveway or street.

**ODD ITEMS:** Large musical instruments will not be picked up. Bathtubs are construction materials: See **WILL NOT COLLECT**. Air conditioners: see **APPLIANCES**. Barbecue grills without propane tanks: see **REFUSE PICKUP**. Propane or gas tanks: see **HAZARDOUS MATERIALS**. Bring old refuse cans to **CANTON CLEAN-UP**. **Christmas trees** will only be picked up during the first two weeks in January and will be recycled (**no bags, ornaments, light stands, etc.**)

**PLACEMENT OF REFUSE, RECYCLABLES AND YARD WASTE:** All material must be placed at the front curb or roadside and placed so that it does not interfere with mail delivery. If there is a ditch in front of your property, it must be placed on the road side of the ditch, and not on your property side. After collection, please remove receptacles within 12 hours pursuant to Township Code of Ordinance Chapter 58.

**REFUSE PICKUP:** Place all regular refuse in bags or refuse cans. **\*NO CONTAINERS WEIGHING OVER 50 POUNDS OR OVER 32 GALLONS IN SIZE ARE ALLOWED.** Regular pickup includes all regular household bulky items. There is a limit of two large items per week (see **APPLIANCES** and **ODD ITEMS**). **Place refuse on the opposite side of your drive from the yard waste and recyclables.**

**ROAD CONSTRUCTION:** Trucks cannot drive on newly constructed pavement. Please call for instructions on placement of your containers.

# SOLID WASTE COLLECTION GUIDELINES AND RULES

**REFUSE CONTAINERS: MUST BE 32 GALLONS** or less. Refuse cans must be made of metal or plastic with two handles and a tight fitting cover. Plastic bags with a thickness of no less than 1.5 mils shall be suitable in lieu of rigid containers. **No single receptacle or bag shall weigh more than 50 pounds when lifted.** No cardboard boxes or paper bags can be used as containers for refuse as these materials are recyclable..

**TIME OF SET OUT:** Place all refuse, recyclables, and yard-waste (in season, April - November) at the curb before 6:30 a.m. on your collection day regardless of what time it is usually picked up.

**TWIGS AND BRANCHES:** See **YARD WASTE**. If you do not wish to cut and tie your branches, you may call and inquire about a special pickup (**FOR A SMALL FEE**).

**WILL NOT COLLECT:** GFL will not collect construction materials such as sand, bricks, concrete blocks, lumber, stones, drywall, roofing materials, structural steel, swing-sets, tires, railroad ties, sod, dirt of any kind, tree stumps, tree trunks, wood chips, paint, glass doors, windows, paneling, counter tops, flooring, lawn mowers, pool heaters, furnaces, etc. Please call for information on special pickup or drop-off.

**PLEASE CALL IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS 844/464-3587**

**Place all items at curbside by 6:30 a.m.**

## AUTOMATED RECYCLING

The following items will all be accepted for recycling inside the cart, anything left outside of the cart will not be collected:

**CARDBOARD AND PAPER BAGS, NON-WAX COATED PAPERBOARD, MAGAZINES AND CATALOGS, JUNK MAIL, OFFICE PAPER, PHONE BOOKS, NEWSPAPER, POTS AND PANS, CLEAR & COLORED GLASS, STEEL, TIN AND ALUMINUM CANS, PAPER MILK/JUICE CARTONS, AND PLASTIC MARKED WITH A RECYCLING SYMBOL 1 THROUGH 7. (SEE GUIDE ON RECYCLING CART LID)**

Carts should be placed on your driveway apron and not in the street. They should also be placed on the opposite side of your drive from your refuse, leaving at least 6" around the cart so the mechanical arm on the truck can easily fit around the cart. Hinges and handles should face towards your residence with the lifting bar facing the street. All recyclables must be inside the cart, anything left on the side of the cart will not be picked up.

On non-collection days carts should be stored inside your garage or under your carport. If you do not have a garage or carport or do not have adequate room, then please store it beside your residence. Your Home Owner's Association may have additional rules about placement that you will need to comply with.

## YARD WASTE (April 2 - November 29)

Curbside pickup of residential yard waste begins April 2 and lasts through your normal pick-up day the week of November 29. **Place yard waste out separate from your refuse and recyclables on your regular pickup day. Place yard waste on the opposite side of your drive from the refuse.** Yard waste containers must be labeled. **CONTAINERS OVER 50 POUNDS OR OVER 32 GALLONS IN SIZE OR PLASTIC BAGS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

**WHAT TO PUT OUT:** Grass clippings, leaves, yard and garden waste (including pumpkins), pruning debris, wood debris, and brush. Christmas trees in January will be picked December 31, 2018 - January 11, 2019.

**HOW TO PREPARE MATERIALS:** Twigs, branches, brush, pruning, and tree limbs may be tied with heavy twine into bundles no larger than three feet, with branches no thicker than 1 ½ inches in diameter and weighing no more than 50 pounds. Limit of six bundles each week. Grass clippings, leaves, and garden waste may be placed in 30 gallon PAPER YARD WASTE BAGS (no paper grocery bags), or placed in **32 gallon** reusable containers with sturdy handles marked "Yard Waste)". Stickers for reusable containers are available in the Public Works office. Containers must be labeled with label facing the street.

**DO NOT PUT:** Food scraps, mulch, animal waste, batteries, chemicals, sod, dirt or mulch in the yard waste bags or containers. If you have any question on this program or question on how to compost items not listed please call 844/464-3587. Please note: mulch can be disposed of at Canton Clean-up events.