



Town of Delmar

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Municipal Waste Collection Policy

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Waste collection services are provided for **Delmar, Delaware** residents on **Tuesday** and **Delmar, Maryland** residents on **Thursdays**. Changes to these dates due to holiday closings are announced through the town newsletter and local newspapers. AS OF JULY 1, 2007, ALL RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES LYING WITHIN THE TOWN OF DELMAR'S CORPORATE LIMITS WILL RECEIVE COLLECTION FROM THE TOWN OR COMPANY TO WHICH IT OUTSOURCES IT'S GARBAGE COLLECTION. SOME RESTRICTIONS APPLY. The following policy was approved by the Mayor & Council of Delmar, Delaware and Mayor & Commissioners of Delmar, Maryland.

A. GARBAGE AND REFUSE CONTAINERS SHALL MEET THE FOLLOWING STANDARDS:

1. Shall be purchased and maintained in a sanitary condition by resident.
2. Shall be free of any defects which may injure the collector.
3. Shall be made of metal or heavy plastic, equipped with properly fitting covers, and shall be water tight.
4. **Shall have a capacity of not more than thirty-five (35) gallons and a gross weight not to exceed fifty (50) pounds.**
5. Shall be placed at the point of collection no earlier than sunset on the eve of the day of collection, and shall be removed no later than sunset on the day of collection. Between the days of collection, containers, including any structure designed to store them, shall be located, if not out of the line of sight from the street upon which the property fronts, on the back half of the side of the house.

B. ALL GARBAGE AND REFUSE PLACED OUT FOR COLLECTION SHALL BE IN CONTAINERS MEETING THE AFOREMENTIONED CONDITIONS WITH THE FOLLOWING EXCEPTIONS:

1. **The Town will schedule collection of yard refuse such as leaves and trimmings at the request of the owner/tenant. Call Public Works to schedule a pickup at 302-846-3696.**
2. Leaves may be deposited for collection in durable plastic bags.
3. Tree trimmings and similar materials shall be cut to a length not to exceed four feet and shall be securely tied in bundles not more than two feet thick.

C. THE FOLLOWING COLLECTION PROCEDURES WILL APPLY TO ALL RESIDENTIAL COLLECTIONS:

1. Collection will occur one time per week.
2. A reasonable accumulation of garbage or refuse will be collected for each residential unit. Excessive amounts of refuse, as determined by the Public Work Superintendent/Designee, will be subject to an additional fee, over and above the annual fee.
3. Furniture, appliances, tires and other bulk items will be collected for a fee. Property owners and/or tenants with such items to be disposed of should contact Town Hall and arrange a special collection. (Applicable fees must be paid prior to the special collection being rendered.) The Town may refuse any special collection and the property owner will be responsible for the disposal of refused items.
4. Collection of any trash or garbage which is deposited in a manner which does not conform to the provisions contained herein may be refused. Property owners and/or tenants will be advised of the reason(s) for refusal and of required corrective measures.
5. Disposal of any material which is refused collection will become the responsibility of the property owner. If said materials are not removed, the property owner shall be subject to citations for an ordinance violation.