

VILLAGE OF COVINGTON

POLICY – VS – 02-21 VILLAGE SERVICES POLICY – TRASH / RECYCLING REMOVAL

The Village of Covington employees perform trash / garbage and recycling on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday for standard weeks. If a holiday is on one of those days, most often a Monday, service will be delayed for a day. Severe weather or other emergency may result in a delay or modification to the trash schedule.

The Village will post on its website and through social media when delays are necessary or known.

Two primary Ordinances form the policy for trash collection and are listed below.

Ordinance 06-10 covers the following trash and recycling related issues to note:

- 1. **Franchise Agreement.** No person other than the Village, shall have the right to collect acceptable waste from any point of collection, residential unit, or premises, lot, street or alley, public or private within the Village.
- 2. **Acceptable Waste.** The Village can define what is acceptable waste and how it will be collected along with waste that is deem uncollectable waste, which is the responsibility of the property owner.
- 3. Unacceptable Waste. Defined within Ordinance 09-18.
- 4. **Time for Collection.** All cans shall be placed out at their designated place prior to 7:00 AM. Trash collection will occur between 7:00 AM and 2:30 PM on standard weeks.

5. General Prohibitions:

- a. Trash shall not be buried or burned on any property within the Village.
- b. No person shall collect trash within the Village for others or to relieve others of having to have trash collection.
- c. No person shall collect waste or store waste on any property within the Village.
- d. It shall be the duty of any owner, lessor, tenant, agent, or lessee in charge of a property to assure that the passage of waste collection vehicles on streets and alleys is not obstructed.
- e. No person shall remove any trash set out for collection unless such person has been authorized to do so by the Village. This includes all scavenging of acceptable or unacceptable waste.

Ordinance 09-18 lists rates to follow and additional definitions to note:



- 1. **Extra Trash.** Additional items, excluding hazardous waste, that is placed curbside and is not inside of a village provided toter. Trash placed outside of the village-provided dumpster is subject to extra trash charges. The village shall attempt to contact the homeowner to get a second toter to reduce the overall fee where consistent overages are being charged. The Village reserves the right to not pick up any trash that is not within a village provided toter.
- 2. **Unacceptable or Hazardous Waste.** Any material such as liquid paint, flammable liquids, asbestos, mercury, pesticides, or other materials that require special disposal.
- 3. Mandatory Subscription for Water and Sewer Customers. Village customers that have Village waster and/or sewer services activated are automatically subscribed to the Village provided curb-side trash and recycling services. If village customers utilize an onsite dumpster service through the Village, they are exempt from subscribing to the curb-side trash service. Customers are still required to subscribe to the village curb-side recycling service.
- 4. **Residential Subscription Requirement.** All residential customers shall utilize the trash and recycling services. In multiple family residential structures (duplex, triplex, etc.), each unit shall have their own service and pay separate bills for that service.
- 5. **Calculation on Units.** Each separate space capable of being occupied by a separate tenant; equipped with an outside entrance and separated from other parts of a structure will be considered a separate unit.
- 6. **Termination of Trash / Recycling Service for past due balance.** The Village shall terminate service for any balances that are past due for 60 days or greater. Accounts that have had services terminated must pay their previous balance in full before service will be restored.

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