



# **GARBAGE, RECYCLING & COMPOST SERVICES**

Harmony is pleased to offer its residents a curbside Garbage and Recycling program. As Albertans, we are doing a great job of recycling more than ever, and we want to carry that same spirit of sustainable living into your new residence in Springbank. Each resident will be provided with three carts, which are a safer, cleaner and more efficient way to take out the trash and recycling. The Garbage and Recycling program is billed monthly through the Owners Association of Harmony (OAH).

## 1 Blue Recycling Bin

Your blue recycling bins make it easy and convenient to repurpose many common household materials into new goods. Follow the guide below to help keep our community beautiful and our future bright.

What you can put in your Blue Recycling Bin:



### PAPER & CARDBOARD

- flattened cardboard
- inserts
- magazines
- mail
- newspapers
- office paper
- paperback books
- phone books



### PLASTICS

- Any plastic that has a recycling number of #1–7 symbol on the container. This could include plastic jugs and bottles, bags, packaging and food containers.
- Please ensure it did not contain a harsh chemical, such as a pesticide, weed killer, etc.
- When plastic grocery bags or shredded paper are being recycled, please place them in a bag prior to depositing them in the bin.



### METAL CANS & CONTAINERS

- Any clean tin, steel, or aluminum cans.



### GLASS BOTTLES & JARS

- Any rinsed green, brown, or clear glass bottles can be recycled.



### ITEMS NOT ALLOWED IN YOUR BLUE BIN

- Please no paint cans.
- Please don't put any auto glass, window glass, or dishes in the cart.

## 2 Green Organics Recycling Bin

Green organics recycling is an important part of Harmony's long-term Waste Strategy. Diverting residential organic waste away from landfills helps reduce the need to create additional landfill sites.

What you can put in your Green Organics Recycling Bin:



### FOOD WASTE

Anything you cook and/or eat, including:

- baking ingredients
- beans
- breads
- candy
- coffee grounds and filters
- dough
- eggs
- fruits and veggies
- gum
- herbs
- leftover cooking oils
- pasta
- pet food
- rice
- seeds
- spices
- tea bags

Basically if you can eat it, it can go in the green bin!



### OTHER ACCEPTABLE ITEMS

- barbecue ashes
- butcher's meat wrap
- cold fireplace ash
- cotton balls
- dog and other pet bio-waste\*
- dryer lint
- floor sweepings
- food-soiled paper products, napkins and tissues
- food-soiled pizza boxes only
- household pet bedding
- household plants
- planting soil
- kitty litter
- microwave popcorn bags
- paper coffee cups
- pet fur, hair and feathers
- plates and muffin wrappers
- sugar, flour and potato paper bags
- toothpicks
- vacuum bags and vacuum contents
- waxed paper
- wooden popsicle sticks



### YARD WASTE

- branches
- grass clippings
- hedge trimmings
- leaves
- plants
- twigs
- weeds



### ITEMS NOT ALLOWED IN YOUR GREEN BIN

- Plastic of any kind—plastic impedes the composting process and prevents the flow of air through the organic material, causing it to smell. It also reduces the quality of compost and increases the cost for processing.
- Diapers and sanitary products (as they contain plastics).

\* Our supplier accepts this material in our organics, but it must be in brown paper bags or compostable bags.

# Curbside Waste & Recycling

## TIPS AT A GLANCE

- You don't have to separate out your recyclables, and you don't have to put them in a bag either. Just rinse and throw them all into the blue container together.
- Please rinse out any food containers before you put them in the cart—food waste can spoil the whole load of recyclable material.
- Don't overfill the container. The lid must remain closed and garbage must easily fall out of the cart when tipped into the truck.
- Make sure not to put anything dangerous in your cart, including hot ashes, coals, paint, chemicals, etc. These can not only damage the equipment or potentially start a fire, but it will also spoil the whole load of recycling material.
- Do not mix leaf and yard waste, recyclables, and garbage together.
- Do not place paper in the Waste bin. Paper must be recycled.

## HOW TO PACKAGE YOUR WASTE

- Do not put recyclables, organics or yard waste in plastic bags. Place them into your cart loose.
- Do not use shopping bags, small white garbage bags or cardboard boxes for garbage. Recycle them.
- Make sure material is packaged or contained securely to avoid loose debris.
- Sawdust, ashes and other material of similar nature go in your green bin. No hot ashes please.

## OTHER RECYCLING NEEDS

Harmony residents will need to access the Rocky View County community recycling depots for electronics recycling, tire recycling and household hazardous waste. Please visit [rockyview.ca](http://rockyview.ca) for these specialized depot locations.

## SCHEDULING

Information on pickup days can be found online at [harmonyowners.com](http://harmonyowners.com).

Bins are to be placed in the rear lane, for homes that are on laned lots, and on the front curb for non-laned lot homes.



*When Everything Falls Into Place,  
You're In Harmony.*

*In the community of Harmony, our home is in one of the most beautiful parts of Southern Alberta, and we are surrounded by family, friends, and neighbours. As members of the OAH, we are all responsible for creating and maintaining the community atmosphere we know and love.*

*We ask that all OAH members, staff, and partners follow the golden rule within our community:  
when interacting with others, treat them as you would want to be treated.  
Treating everyone with respect and courtesy is essential to our community's  
long term growth and success. Thank you.*