



# Garbage & Recycling Information for City of River Falls Residents



**Customer Service: 715-425-0900**

The City of River Falls contracts with Advanced Disposal for residential solid waste and recycling disposal. In accordance with City Ordinance 8.36.040, all residential units in the City are required to have their solid waste collected by the City through its contractor unless they have applied for an exemption from the City Clerk. Exemptions are only available to residences that are part of or contiguous to a commercial property under the same ownership, and owners of duplexes, triplexes or rooming houses.

## Curbside Garbage and Recycling

Garbage and recycling should be placed curbside by 6:00 a.m. on your scheduled pick-up day (Advanced Disposal is not obligated to pick-up garbage and recycling that was not at curbside by 6:00 a.m.). **Call Customer Service at 715-425-0900** if your garbage pick-up was missed.

## Garbage & Recycling Fees and Billing

Standard garbage containers are 35 gallons and recycle containers are 64 gallons (larger containers are available at no additional fee upon request). Effective January 1, 2016, billing is on a monthly basis and is included on the River Falls Municipal Utility Bill. The 2016 fee is \$13.00 per month.

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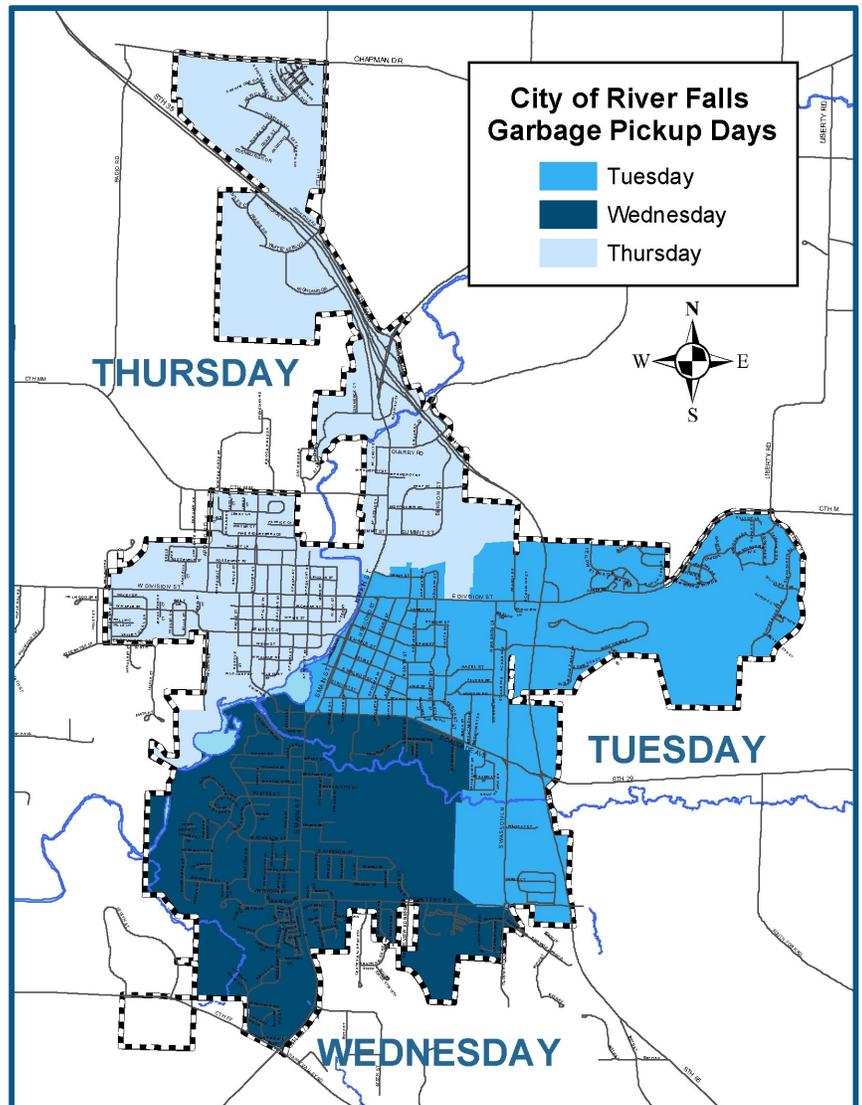
Customer service inquiries regarding refuse and recycling services should be directed to the City of River Falls at 715-425-0900, Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

- New service setup
- Missed garbage or recycling
- Replacement garbage or recycling containers

## Why Can't I Choose My Own Hauler?

There are a number of reasons why the City of River Falls has chosen to contract for residential garbage collection through one hauler including:

- It is a sustainable practice reducing fuel consumption, pollution, and unnecessary damage to roads. Garbage trucks are the single biggest vehicle contributing to deterioration of our local neighborhood streets.
- Less truck traffic makes our neighborhoods cleaner, quieter and safer.
- The City knows who to contact if there is a litter problem associated with garbage pickup.
- The monthly rate for a City-wide contract is lower than households would pay by contracting individually. It is most efficient for one hauler to pick up from each and every home in a neighborhood rather than having to skip one that would be picked up by another hauler.



## Residential Recycling

The standard size recycling bin is 64 gallons (35 and 96 gallon containers are also available based on your needs).

Place all recyclable items in the recycle container (they do not have to be separated). Containers should be rinsed so that less than five percent food debris remain on them. Remove caps from bottles, jars, and other containers. Do not use plastic bags.

**Recyclable Items Include:** steel and aluminum cans, #1-7 plastics, colored and clear bottles and jars, newspaper, magazines, aseptic packaging (milk cartons, juice boxes, etc) and cardboard together in the recycling bin. Note: Large cardboard that cannot fit in the recycling cart should be flattened and folded or cut into pieces not larger than 3' x 3' in size, placed next to or underneath the cart.

All recycling must be placed curbside by 6:00 a.m. for collection on the same day as your garbage service.

**Non-Recyclable Items Include:** hazardous waste containers, food contaminated packaging, plate/window glass/mirrors, plastic and paper cups, packaging material, bathroom wastepaper, paint cans, gasoline containers, aerosol cans, potter/ceramics, and dishes.



## Spring and Fall Clean-up

Each May and October, a clean-up is conducted at the City Public Works Garage (950 Benson Street) for residents in the City of River Falls who are billed for the City's Contracted Garbage Service (Advanced Disposal). Spring clean-up begins the second Monday in May and Fall clean-up begins the third Monday in October (each clean-up runs for one week). The following hours are utilized for both clean-up operations: Monday-Friday, 4:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m., and Saturday, 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. For exact dates, visit [www.rfcity.org](http://www.rfcity.org).

**Acceptable Items include:** carpet/pad, large/bulky items, furniture, misc. garbage, mattress/box spring, minor household construction debris.

**Acceptable Items that will be charged a fee include:** car and truck tires, air conditioners, computer and printers, appliances, TVs and monitors, dehumidifiers. For fee information visit [www.rfcity.org](http://www.rfcity.org).

**Unacceptable Items Include:** oil, paint, car batteries, empty propane tanks, special or hazardous waste, chemicals, or waste that is generated by a contractor. Advanced Disposal reserves the right to refuse hazardous materials.

## City of River Falls Compost Site

The City operates a compost site (**for disposal of yard waste and brush only**) and is located at 901 W. Locust Street near the River Falls School Bus Garage. The site is open year around during daylight hours. Please help by self-monitoring the site as hours will have to be severely curtailed if we are forced to have an attendant on duty. Use of this site is for City residents only.

## Disposal of Appliances and White Goods

Advanced Disposal will collect appliances and white goods from your residence for a fee. Contact Advanced Disposal at **866-983-6542** at least two days in advance. You will be charged by Advanced Disposal for the cost of collection, hauling, and disposal of appliances and white goods in accordance with the following rates: (Note: These items

are accepted at the Spring and Fall Clean-up Days for a reduced fee).

Auto Seat .....	\$10.00
Truck Tire .....	\$10.00
Car Tire.....	\$5.00
Appliances.....	\$25.00
Mattresses .....	\$25.00
Box Spring.....	\$25.00
Chair.....	\$10.00

Couch .....	\$20.00
TVs & Monitors 20" or less ...	\$20.00
TVs & Monitors > 20" .....	\$40.00
Air Conditioners .....	\$20.00
Microwave .....	\$5.00
Dehumidifier .....	\$10.00
Carpet and/or Pad (per roll) ...	\$3.00
Computers and Printers.....	\$10.00