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Solid Waste & Recycling

Information for Collections

Richland County Solid Waste & Recycling provides services to the residents of Richland County to assist with the proper management of waste and recycling. If you have questions about your service or any information in this booklet, please call Richland County at 803-929-6000.

Household Curbside Collection

Curbside collection is provided to Richland County residents in the unincorporated areas and to residents of the Town of Blythewood. For other municipal residents, please contact the municipality where you live. (See page 31 for contact information). Curbside collection includes household garbage, recycling, yard waste and bulk / large items. For more information, see page 4. For information on the proper disposal of household hazardous waste, see page 18.

Drop-Off Centers and Recycling Sites

Richland County provides various locations to dispose of items not picked up at curbside, such as electronics, oil and filters, tires, cooking oil, tree removal waste, construction debris and more. See page 19 for further information.

Disclaimer

Richland County Solid Waste & Recycling publishes this booklet to provide information about solid waste services that are current at the time of printing (November 2014). However, information contained in the booklet is subject to change without notice. Please contact the Richland County Ombudsman at 803-929-6000 for questions and confirmation of services provided, or visit www.rcgov.us/richlandrecycles.

Curbside Pickup

Richland County provides residents of unincorporated areas and the Town of Blythewood with weekly curbside pickup for household garbage and yard waste. Recycling is collected every other week. Bulk / large items are picked up by appointment only. Call the Richland County Ombudsman for more information.

Setting Up Residential Service

New Construction: For newly constructed houses, a \$48 setup fee and a partial service fee must be paid to Richland County Finance Department to initiate service. These fees cover pickup and administrative costs for starting collection services at the residence. Before a garbage roll cart and recycling roll cart can be delivered, a Certificate of Occupancy (CO) must be obtained from the Richland County Building Inspection. An annual collection service fee is charged for curbside collection which is typically included on each property owner's tax bill for the year following issuance of the CO. Partial service fees are charged based upon the date curbside service starts after the CO is issued. Once the payment and the completed CO are received by Richland County, the garbage roll cart and the recycling roll cart will be scheduled for delivery. Contact Richland County Ombudsman to set up an account. A new garbage roll cart and recycling roll cart will be delivered to your address. Anyone who brings roll carts from a previous house (which is illegal) must notify the county to register those carts for the new house in order to get service.

Existing Housing: If moving into a previously occupied residence, a garbage roll cart and recycling roll cart should be present at the property. If either cart is missing, contact Richland County Ombudsman to obtain a replacement cart.

Moving? Do not take roll carts with you when you move. Roll carts should remain with the house to which they are issued. It is illegal for anyone, other than Richland County Solid Waste & Recycling staff, to transport Richland County roll carts. If a roll cart is missing at your new address, contact Richland County Ombudsman to request a replacement.

Curbside Pickup

Garbage Roll Carts and Recycling Roll Carts: Garbage roll carts and recycling roll carts are provided by Richland County at the start of service and are considered the property of Richland County. Each cart has a unique number that is assigned to the address of service.

Garbage roll carts and recycling roll carts should not be removed from the assigned property for any reason, including the transportation of trash or other debris to another location.

Removal of a roll cart is considered a crime.

If a cart is stolen, report the incident immediately to Richland County. If you find your missing cart, please inform Richland County right away. Do not take or use a neighbor's garbage cart; instead, place garbage in sealed bags at the curb on your scheduled pickup day until a replacement roll cart is delivered. Using more than one garbage roll cart is allowed only if you pay for the additional service.

Holiday Schedule: There is no curbside collection on the following:

New Year's Day
Memorial Day
July Fourth
Labor Day
Thanksgiving Day
Christmas Day

When collection is interrupted due to a holiday, garbage, recycling or yard waste will be picked up the day following your usual pickup day.

Household Garbage Curbside

When to Roll Carts Out and In

On the morning of your weekly collection day, your garbage or recycling roll cart must be at the curb by 7 a.m. to ensure it is serviced. If your cart is not out when the hauler arrives, the hauler will not return until the next scheduled pickup date. Please remove your cart from the curb by 7:30 p.m. of your collection day. **Failure to remove your cart by 7:30 p.m. is a violation of County ordinance.**

Where to Place Your Cart

Roll your cart to the curb or the edge of the street. (See photo for proper placement.) Ensure the cart is on the property side of the curb and not in the street. The hauler should return your cart to the same place. Please do not place your cart in the street or block access to your mailbox. Place your cart at least four feet from yard waste and other obstacles. *Note: Some communities require backyard pickup. Such communities are charged for the extra service and may have different placement requirements.*



Proper cart placement
along a curb.



Proper cart placement
in a rural area.

Need Assistance? If you have a disability or other physical limitations, you may be eligible to have the hauler bring your roll carts to the curb and take back to your normal storage location at no additional charge. A doctor's statement is required for each person at the residence. Yard waste must still be placed at curbside. Contact Richland County for more information.

Household Garbage Curbside

Roll carts are the property of Richland County. The resident is responsible for the upkeep. Carts, with proper care from residents and haulers, should last 10 years or more.

The following tips will help keep your cart in good condition:

- Keep the lid closed on your cart to deter flies and animals
- Don't overload your cart. Doing so could cost you.
- Store your cart in a cool dry place away from direct sunlight and other sources of heat
- Do not drag, damage, alter, cut, mark, paint or write on the cart.
- Periodically wash the interior and exterior of your cart with soap and water.

What to Throw Away: Your garbage roll cart is for disposal of regular household garbage. **Bag and tie your household garbage before placing in your County roll cart.** Placing your garbage in a securely tied bag will help prevent the trash from spilling. Plastic shopping bags can be used as garbage bags. Keep items that decompose quickly bagged and in a cool place until collection day.

Garbage Only: Garbage roll carts are for household garbage only. Recycle roll carts are for recycling only. Never place yard waste, hot ashes, flammable liquids, dead animals, hazardous waste or construction debris in either roll cart.

Pet Owners: Please seal animal waste and cat litter in a plastic bag or container before placing in a garbage roll cart.

Excess Waste: If you occasionally have extra garbage that does not fit in your assigned roll cart, place the excess in a tied bag next to the garbage roll cart for pickup. If you routinely have excess waste, a second roll cart will be assigned to your property for an additional solid waste service fee. Contact Richland County Ombudsman for more information.

Cart Repair or Replacement

Please follow the tips on page 7 to care for your garbage and recycling carts. **Carts are not replaced just for being dirty.** However, if a cart is damaged (i.e., it no longer rolls, the lid cannot shut or it cannot safely hold household garbage), contact Richland County Ombudsman for a replacement.

A roll cart technician will be dispatched to your home to determine if the garbage cart or recycling cart needs to be repaired or replaced. **A fee may be assessed if it is determined a resident either caused or allowed the damage to the cart.**

A serviceable roll cart.



A damaged roll cart.



Recycling Curbside Pickup

Recyclables are collected every other week. On the morning of your collection day, your recycling roll cart must be at the curb by 7 a.m. Please remove your cart from the curb by 7:30 p.m. of your collection day. See page 6 for proper placement of the cart.

Cart Care

As with the garbage roll carts, homeowners are responsible for the care of recycling roll carts. Periodically wash the interior and exterior of your cart with soap and water. See page 7 for more tips.

What to Recycle

ITEM	EXAMPLES	CONDITION
Aluminum	Beverage cans, aluminum food pans	Rinse and flatten
Metal Cans	Steel (tin) cans used for food, beverages and pet food; aerosol cans	Rinse food cans well; paper labels do not need to be removed
Plastic	Bottles, jars, tubs or trays marked by a 1 through 7 recycling symbol; no plastic bags or wrap	Rinse and flatten
Corrugated cardboard, chipboard, paper bags	No wax coated; non-wax coated paper board boxes, orange juice and milk cartons, brown paper bags	Flatten; must be clean and dry
Magazines, catalogs, newspapers, junk mail, paper	Phone books, magazines and catalogs of any thickness; may include newspaper inserts; all envelopes; tube from paper towels and tissue; books	Do not tie or bag Hardback books may be placed in the carts — <u>hardcover must be removed</u>
Glass	Bottles, jugs and jars	Rinse clean; remove lids

Recycling



How to Recycle

All recyclables must be placed loosely in the recycling roll cart. Do not tie or bag these items. Carts with the wrong items may not be collected. Recyclables will only be collected from a Richland County issued recycling roll cart.

Aluminum and metal cans: Remove food residue; labels are OK. Aerosol cans must be empty. Aluminum food pans are accepted. No aluminum foil.

Plastics: Plastics marked with a 1 to 7 recycling symbol are collected. The plastic type is located on the bottom of most products. (See image.) Plastics accepted are bottles, jars, yogurt or butter tubs, plastic trays such as frozen dinner trays and plastic baskets. Do not include plastic utensils, cups, plates, plastic bags, plastic wrap or any type of brittle plastic.



Bottles and jars: Bottles and jars that have held hazardous materials such as pesticides, petroleum products and pool chemicals, will not be collected. Empty household bleach bottles are acceptable.

Remove lids, rinse and flatten containers to allow space for more items in the cart.

Recycling

Corrugated cardboard, chipboard, cereal boxes: Corrugated cardboard is accepted for recycling. **Flatten & cut boxes to fit into or next to your recycling cart.** Corrugated cardboard is layered with a wavy middle.

Chipboard boxes, such as cereal boxes, must be clean and dry and only have stored dry, non-refrigerated foods.

Beverage holder boxes are acceptable. Milk and juice cartons are acceptable. Rinse well before recycling.

Do not tie or bag these items. Place them loosely in the recycling cart.

Newspaper, magazines, catalogs: Newspapers, including inserts, are accepted for recycling. Telephone Books, Magazines and Catalogs of any thickness are recyclable as well as junk mail, including envelopes w/windows. **Hardcover books are only acceptable if the hard cover is removed.** Do not tie or bag these items. Place them loosely in the recycling cart.

Glass: Glass bottles, jugs and jars of any color are accepted. Remove lids and rinse clean. Do not tie or bag these items. Place them loosely in the recycling cart.

Items Not to Include

- Plastic foam (i.e., Styrofoam) trays, plates, cups and egg cartons
- Plastic bags
- Brittle plastic (utensils, cups, plates)
- Aluminum foil
- Cardboard coated with wax or plastic

Yard Waste

Yard waste is picked up weekly and should be placed at curbside on your designated day by 7 a.m. **Do not place yard waste in the roadway.** Failure to comply may result in a significant fine. Compliant piles of yard waste will be collected in unlimited quantities if placed at curbside. Bagging and bundling is not required.

What is Yard Waste?

Yard waste is grass clippings, loose leaves, pine straw, small clippings, limbs, sticks and brush generated from the routine landscape maintenance of residential properties. Brush is bulky trimming and pruning waste generated from routine tree and shrubbery maintenance conducted at least annually. **Items exceeding 4 inches in diameter and 4 feet in length will not be collected.**

Larger debris must be taken to a drop-off center or landfill by the landscaper or the resident. Residents are responsible for the proper disposal of storm debris.

Yard waste does not include construction or demolition debris (boards, lumber, tile, bricks, etc.), sand or dirt. It does not include limbs, branches or trunks from trees that have a trunk size larger than 4 inches in diameter at the base, which have either been cut down, blown down or have fallen down. It also does not include debris from professional landscapers or residents that is produced above and beyond normal weekly or monthly yard maintenance. Yard waste does not include mulch.

Ways to Reduce Yard Waste

Instead of bagging your grass after you mow, leave the clippings on the lawn. Leaves and small shrubbery trimmings can be used as mulch around trees and bushes or can be composted.

For information on using leaves and branches as compost, visit: <http://www.scdhec.gov/environment/lwm/recycle/compost.htm>

Yard Waste

Requirements for Collection

Limbs can be no larger than 4 feet long and 4 inches in diameter. Tree stumps of any size will not be collected. Compliant yard waste will be collected in unlimited quantities. Compliant yard waste will be free from household garbage, litter or other non-yard waste material for collection service. Do not put yard debris in your roll carts. **Any waste from tree removal is not eligible for curbside collection.**

Waste from tree removal or substantial pruning must be taken to an approved disposal facility. Trees that fall down or are blown down are not eligible for curbside collection and must be taken to an approved drop-off center or disposal facility. (See page 25 for locations).

Do not place limbs, branches or leaves in creeks, storm drains or drainage ditches. All debris must be on the property-side of the curb and not in the street. You could be fined up to \$1,092.50 for placing yard waste in the street. These materials interfere with traffic as well as obstruct drainage flow, which increases the potential for flooding and mosquito problems.



Measure a limb diameter as shown above. This limb is just over 4 inches and would not be eligible for curbside collection.

Non-compliant Yard Waste

Tagged Piles

If your yard waste pile is non-compliant, it will be tagged with a service notice that states the reason for the your items were no collected. (See page 15). You may correct the pile for collection the next week. If no corrections are made, a citation could be issued, as the pile will be considered debris on a lot or open dumping according to Richland County Ordinance.



This pile has been tagged because it is non-compliant with Richland County pickup requirements. Richland County does not pick up tree trunks or any limbs larger than 4 inches in diameter or and debris or waste from a tree removal.

Non-compliant Yard Waste

Richland County Solid Waste & Recycling
(803) 929-6000



SERVICE NOTICE



1 _____ Address _____

Truck # _____ Time _____ Date 2 _____

Issuing Person _____
PRINT NAME

Please remove roll carts from curb after 7:30 PM on collection day. Note: If roll carts are left out after collection day, the homeowner may be issued a citation to appear in court and face a possible fine of \$1092.50 or more.

Recycling **NOT** picked up because cart contains:

- food scraps
- styrofoam
- coat hangers
- medical waste
- plastic bags, plates & cups
- yard waste
- household garbage
- plastic toys
- _____s
- styrofoam egg cartons
- planter boxes
- needles
- shoes/clothes

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Other unacceptable item _____

NOTE: ONLY RECYCLE THESE ITEMS CURBSIDE:

• Aluminum Cans	• Cup holders made with paper
• Metal Cans	• Envelopes with plastic windows
• Newspapers & inserts	• Plastic baskets
• Magazines: 1" thick or less	• Aluminum pie pans
• Corrugated cardboard: thicker cardboard with ridges, such as packing boxes.	• Frozen dinner trays
• All #1-#7 plastic bottles only. Check the bottom of the bottle for the #1-#7.	• Orange juice & milk cartons
• Yogurt & Butter dishes	• Pizza boxes
	• Glass (bottles, jugs, jars only)
	• Plastic containers (cake plates with lids)
	• Fiberboard
	• Phone Books

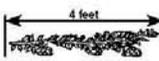
Please remember: NO STYROFOAM, PLASTIC, PAPER PLATES OR CUPS, OR ALUMINUM FOIL

***Empty Containers. Remove lids Do NOT put recyclables in bags.
Picked up every other week

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Do **NOT** put yard waste in roll cart. Only household garbage goes in garbage roll cart.

Collectors do **NOT** pick up:

Limbs greater than 4 ft* or 4 in in* diameter 
(*Debris larger than these guidelines damages hauler's trucks)

Construction/Demolition debris: Carpet, Shingles, Lumber, Tires, Paint, Cement, Dirt, Sand, Iron Wire.

Debris from a tree cut commercial or residential.

Fee's Pending Must Call.

Other

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**Bulk Items Pick Up - Need to Call Ombudsman office
For Appointment at (803) 929-6000.**

Garbage carts, recycling carts and piles of debris can be tagged with a service notice if they are non-compliant with County pickup standards.

What's on a tag?:

1. Address of the location of the cart or debris
2. Time, date and person who issued the tag
3. Reason tag was placed on the cart or debris pile

Three types of tags:

Green Tag (as shown):
Placed by the collectors

Orange Tag: Placed by Richland County

Yellow Tag: A final enforcement tag placed by Richland County before a citation is issued with a potential fine.

Note: Limbs larger than 4 inches in diameter will be tagged even though it is not specified on the tag.

If the issues on the tag(s) are resolved, no further action will be taken.

Bulk / Large Items

Bulk / large items are picked up by appointment only. No fee will be charged for pickup at a residential location. Place such items curbside on your designated appointment day by 7 a.m. Such items must be placed separate from other pickup items, such as the recycling roll cart, yard waste pile or garbage roll cart. Call 803-929-6000 for an appointment time and also instructions on whether bulk / brown goods can be picked up together.

Bulk Items—White Goods

Refrigerators, stoves, washers, dryers, dishwashers, hot water heaters or other large “white good” household items.

Metal grills (no gas or propane tanks), swing sets (disassembled and any concrete removed from poles or posts), push mowers (with gas and oil removed) and bikes are also accepted. Such items must be generated by the residential household from which they are collected. Doors on all items must be removed prior to pickup.

Large Bulk Items—Brown Goods

Furniture such as chairs, sofas, tables, mattresses and box springs. Other items that can be picked up are patio furniture and single-form plastic pools.

Examples of items not included are gym equipment, pianos/organs, pool tables, electronics (including TVs), exterior structures (such as fencing, decks, dog houses), interior remodeling debris (toilets, sinks and tubs), 55-gallon drums, tires, gas engines and car parts.

For questions about the pickup of a specific item, contact Richland County at 803-929-6000.

Bulk / Large Items



A washer is a bulk item or “white good”



A sofa is a large bulk item or “brown good”

Construction and Demolition Debris

Construction/demolition debris to include carpet, padding, shingles, lumber, cement, sand and dirt is not eligible for collection at curbside and should be taken to a designated drop-off center. See page 25 for locations.

Evictions

Property owners or tenants should ensure unwanted items placed at curbside are separated consistent with County collection standards. Furniture should be placed in a separate pile for pickup by appointment only, while clothing and other loose items should be bagged and placed in or next to the garbage roll cart the day before the next scheduled collection day if possible.



Household Hazardous Waste

Improper disposal of household hazardous waste can contaminate the water supply and air if not disposed of safely.

How to reduce the amount of hazardous waste:

- Read the labels on every product and ensure it is suitable for the intended purpose. Once it is purchased, you are responsible for disposing of it properly.
- Buy only as much as you need.
- Read and follow the directions on how to use the product and dispose of the container.
- Use safer substitutes when possible.
- Donate unused solvents, paints and other items to charity.

Paint

Dried latex paint will be accepted as part of household garbage. Remove the lid, let the paint dry completely or add kitty litter or sand to help absorb and dry the paint. Place with household waste in a sealed plastic bag. Wet latex paint will not be collected. Some county drop-off sites accept good latex paint for recycling. Contact the County Ombudsman for more information. **Oil based paints and stains will not be accepted at curbside or drop-off centers.**

Computers/Electronics/TVs

All electronics should be recycled, but these items will not be collected curbside. All computers, small appliances and other electronics should be taken to a drop-off center for recycling.

Medical Waste

Contact your local doctor's office, pharmacy, or hospital to find out more information about where to dispose of medical waste, including needles.

Household Hazardous Waste

Residential Customers

Residents of Richland County may drop off most items for disposal at either the Richland County C&D Landfill Drop-Off Center or the Lower Richland Drop-Off Center for free when the items originate from your primary residence and does not exceed residential disposal limits on quantity. The limit for residential drop-offs is four standard pickup truck loads each month. The items must meet acceptable disposal guidelines. Proof of primary residency is required.

Residents dropping off items for disposal related to a second home, rental property or business must take the material to the C&D Landfill and will be charged standard disposal rates.

Commercial Customers

Commercial customers may drop off acceptable items for disposal at the Richland County C&D Landfill once an account has been established with the Richland County Landfill. An annual application and fee must be submitted. Once the account is established, the customer will be charged a tipping fee per ton for each load disposed. Call 803-576-2390 for current tipping fees and annual application fees.

See page 25 for locations of the County's drop-off centers.

Disposal Drop-off Information

The following items are accepted for disposal at the Lower Richland Drop-Off Center and the C&D Landfill Drop-Off Center:

Yard Waste and Land-clearing Debris

- Earthen material: Clay, top soil, sand, gravel, rock
- Vegetation; Grass, logs, trees and stumps, limbs, brush, mulch

Bulk Items

- Furniture: Bed frames, mattress and box springs, table, couch, outdoor furniture
- White goods, grills, playground equipment. (Call in advance for other items)

Construction/Demolition

- Bricks and blocks, hardened concrete
- Lumber, treated and non-treated
- Shingles and roofing material; no asbestos
- Floor covering: Hardwood and vinyl flooring, carpet and padding, tiles
- Wall and ceiling coverings: Drywall, plaster and plaster board, paneling, wall paper, tiles
- Insulation material; no asbestos
- Fiberglass and ceramic: Bathtubs, shower stalls, sinks
- Glass windows and mirrors
- Other items physically attached to structure: Doors, signs, awnings, shutters
- Other structural materials: Canvas awnings, swimming pools
- Asphalt; cured and hardened

Note: Railroad ties and creosote (utility) poles are not accepted.

Recycling Drop-off Information

The following items are accepted for recycling at the Lower Richland Drop-Off Center and the C&D Landfill Drop-Off Center:

Glass

- Clean bottles, jugs and jars — lids removed

Plastic

- Plastics marked as type 1 through 7 (i.e., bottles, jars, yogurt or butter tubs, plastic trays such as frozen dinner trays and plastic baskets)
- Empty household bleach bottles are acceptable
- Does not include utensils, cups, plates, bags or wrap

Metals

- Includes metal cans and aluminum food pans
- Should be cleaned; labels are acceptable.
- Aerosol cans must be empty
- Does not include aluminum foil

Cardboard and chipboard

- Corrugated cardboard (no wax- or plastic-coated)
- Dry good chipboard (cereal, pasta boxes) only
- Milk and juice cartons — rinse well before disposal
- Items should be clean and flattened

Newspapers and Magazines

- Phone books and catalogs of any size
- Envelopes; those with plastic windows are accepted
- Hard cover books if the hard cover is removed

Electronic Waste

- Computers, monitors, printers, TVs, telecommunication equipment, fax machines and televisions; any item with an electrical cord

Batteries

- Rechargeable batteries from items such as hand-held cordless tools, phones and laptop batteries
- Auto batteries

Cooking oil

Latex paint in good condition (residential only)

Banned Waste

The following items are considered banned waste and cannot be placed in a landfill. These items are accepted at Lower Richland Drop-Off Center and the C&D Landfill Drop-Off Center:

Electronic Waste

- Home electronics including TVs, VCRs, stereos, tape players, radios, fax machines, DVD players, CD players, telephones, rechargeable batteries
- Personal computers and related equipment including desktops, servers, laptops, docking stations, automated typewriters, copy machines, CD-ROM drives, hard drives, modems
- Personal electronics including mobile phones, MP3 players, portable handheld calculators, electronic games, and PDAs
- Other electronics including uninterruptible power supplies, printed circuit boards, routers, power and network cables, network hubs, controllers, switching boxes, telephone systems, coffee pots, toasters, hair dryers, etc.

Large Household Appliances

- Stoves, refrigerators, HVAC units
- Trash compactors, water coolers, freezers
- Washers and dryers, hot water heaters

Fees

Richland County residents are not charged for appliances generated from their primary homes. Commercial entities may bring electronics to the C&D Landfill Drop-Off Center for a disposal fee. Contact Richland County at 803-576-2390 for the current fee.



Banned Waste

Tires

Richland County residents are allowed to dispose of five standard car/truck tires per year at no charge at the two drop-off centers. Any additional tires may be charged the commercial cost. All commercial tires are charged \$100 per ton.

Automobile parts are not accepted.

Used Motor Oil and Used Oil Filters (residential only)

Used oil tanks are available for the proper disposal of used motor oil. Residents are asked to limit disposal to five gallons per visit. Containers used to bring the oil to the center must remain with the resident, drained and placed with household garbage for proper disposal.

Used motor oil recycling tanks also accept the following types of fluids:

- Gear oil
- Fuel oil
- Heating oil
- Kerosene
- Hydraulic fluid
- Diesel fuel
- Automatic transmission fluid
- Gas/oil mixture (only accepted at the County C&D Landfill Drop-Off Center, Lower Richland Drop-Off Center and the Powell Road Recycling Site)
- Used oil filters (residential only)

For other locations that recycle used oil and oil filters, visit www.rcgov.us/richlandrecycles.

Lead Acid Batteries

Residential vehicles only.

Recycling Programs

Recycle old clothing and other items — and help people at the same time — thanks to a program through D.A.R.E. America and MAC Recycling.

S.C. DARE Training Center
Executive Director Sheriff Leon Lott

Each year, 2.5 billion pounds of used clothing end up in landfills. According to the Environmental Protection Agency, 99 percent of that could have been reused or recycled. Mid-Atlantic Clothing Recycling Program (MAC) is a professional clothing recycling company helping to keep millions of pounds of solid waste out of our nation’s landfills. Many people donate used clothes to charities. Since 2005, MAC has helped the Drug Abuse Resistance Education program, known as D.A.R.E. The highly acclaimed national program gives young people the skills they need to avoid involvement in drugs, gangs and violence. Funds raised by MAC for D.A.R.E filter down to state and local law enforcement agencies that teach the D.A.R.E. program at local schools.



For more details on the program in Richland County and to find recycling sites, contact S.C. D.A.R.E. Training Center Director Deputy Arlene Sharpe, 803-419-5318 or MAC at 704-779-0934 or visit <http://www.rcsd.net/dare/mac.html>.

Recycle the following: Clothing, paired shoes, purses, linens, stuffed animals and belts.



Drop-Off Center Locations

Richland County has two staffed drop-off centers that accept items for disposal and recycling. (See the list on pages 20-23.)

Richland County C&D Landfill Drop-Off Center

1070 Caughman Road North
Columbia, SC
803-576-2390

Hours:

7 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday
7a.m.-12:30 p.m. Saturday

Lower Richland Drop-Off Center

10531 Garners Ferry Road
Eastover, SC
803-776-2324

Hours:

8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Saturday
12:30 p.m.-5 p.m. Sunday

Recycling Site Information

The following sites are not staffed and accept limited recyclable items. No disposal is available.

Richland County Public Works Recycling Site

400 Powell Road, Columbia, SC

803-576-2400

Hours: 7 a.m.-6 p.m.

Items accepted: cardboard and chipboard boxes, newspaper/junk mail, phone books, mail, plastics, aluminum and metal cans, glass, used oil, gas/oil mixtures and used oil filters

Clemson Road Recycling Site

900 Clemson Road, Columbia, SC

(Across from The Village at Sandhills)

803-929-6000

Hours: 24 hours a day

Items accepted: cardboard and chipboard boxes, newspaper/junk mail, phone books, plastics, aluminum and metal cans, glass, cooking oil and clothes

Ballentine Recycling Site

1009 Bickley Road, Irmo, SC

Hours: 24 hours a day

Items accepted: cardboard and chipboard boxes, newspaper/junk mail, phone books, plastics, aluminum and metal cans, glass and clothes

Sonoco Recycling Site

1132 Idlewilde Blvd. (off Bluff Road), Columbia, SC

803-929-6000

Hours: 24 hours a day

Items accepted: cardboard and chipboard boxes, newspaper/junk mail, phone books, plastics, aluminum and metal cans and glass.

NOTE: *Items left on ground will be subject to illegal dumping fines.* Electronics are not accepted at these sites. Anyone leaving unacceptable items at these sites is subject to a fine.

Other Disposal Information

Contact the Richland County Ombudsman 803-929-6000 or the Richland County C&D Landfill at 803-576-2390 with questions about proper waste disposal.

Items not accepted at our drop-off centers for disposal, such as household waste, may be taken to:

Richland County Landfill, Inc.
Owner, Waste Management of SC
1047 Highway Church Road
Elgin, SC
803-788-3054



The Clemson Road Recycling Site.

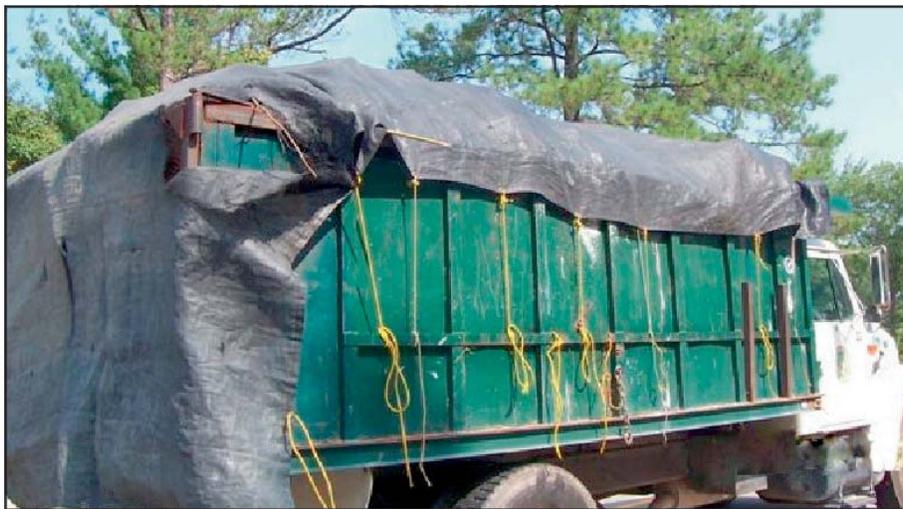
Transporting Loads

When transporting any waste or other material, the load must be secured properly. **Do not use your roll cart for transporting items.** Roll carts must remain at their assigned residences.

Transporting Refuse

Richland County Ordinance: “It shall be unlawful for any person to haul, convey or cause to be conveyed any refuse upon or along the public streets and roadways except when the material transported is adequately secured in such a manner as to prevent it from falling, leaking or being blown from transporting vehicles. The owner or driver of the offending vehicle shall be personally responsible for any violation of this section.”

“It shall be a violation of this article for any person not authorized by the County to collect and haul any refuse other than that arising from his own accumulation within any area of the county in which refuse collection service is maintained by the county.”



A properly secured load.

Transporting Loads



An unsecured load.



A secured load.



An unsecured load.

Illegal Dumping

**All solid waste must be disposed of
at an approved disposal site.**

Richland County Ordinance: Unlawful Disposal Generally

“It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation to dump or cause to be dumped any garbage, trash, litter, junk, appliances, equipment, cans, bottles, paper, construction and demolition debris, bricks, blocks, concrete, asphalt, lumber, trees, tree limbs, tree stumps brush or parts thereof, or brush stumps anywhere in the unincorporated area of the county except at approved solid waste management facilities that have been approved by the County Council.”



An illegal disposal pile.

Additional Information

Quick Contacts

City of Columbia Sanitation	545-3800
Arcadia Lakes	782-2272
City of Forest Acres	782-4719
Town of Irmo	781-7050
Town of Eastover	353-2281
Town of Blythewood	754-0501
Lexington County	755-3325
Keep the Midlands Beautiful	733-1139

Helpful Websites

Richland County
www.rcgov.us

Richland County Solid Waste & Recycling
www.rcgov.us/richlandrecycles

SCDHEC
www.scdhec.gov

SCDHEC Land and Waste Management
www.scdhec.gov/HomeAndEnvironment/Land/Landfills/

SCDHEC Solid Waste Reduction and Recycling
www.scdhec.gov/recycle

Keep the Midlands Beautiful
www.keepthemidlandsbeautiful.com/