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Trash Collection

Bye bye bags. Loveland’s trash collection service will soon roll out its all-cart collection service. Recycling, too.

The changeover begins in October with clients whose collection day is Tuesday. The changeover continues in November for clients with Wednesday pick-up, December for clients with Thursday pick-up, and January for Monday households. All current bag customers will receive reminders in the mail shortly before their cart size is changed.

Customers who already use carts needn’t do anything different. Customers who need a new cart can call 962-2529 and choose their cart size. Carts are delivered within 24 hours of a request.

Customers can trade in their carts for a larger or smaller cart if they find their current selection isn’t quite right. A call to the Solid Waste Division at 962-2529 is all that’s needed. Their old cart will be picked up and a new size delivered.

And again, after that big party or housecleaning, customers can always set out extra trash in 32-gallon trash bags in addition to filling their cart for trash pickup.

Each requires a different process, different human effort and different equipment to get material into the collection truck. Moving to an all-cart system for the primary container offers several benefits.

For the customers, everything goes into carts. Just roll the carts to the street. No more bending over and lifting heavy bins. No more wind blowing paper out of the bins. No more dragging bags or having to lift them.

For the Solid Waste operation, the benefits are standardization, cost savings and more dragging bags or having them split open.

Yepp, there’s a lot of money saved in the hauling service. The process will be faster and a lot less physically demanding for the workers. Pickup will be more efficient.

For customers, everything goes into one cart. Just one cart to fill, one cart to roll out to the street, and it will be picked up for composting.

A Whole Lot More

Get more stuff—oil, tires, lumber, metal, lamps. There’s the same out-of-date electronic devices such as a computer, TV, phone or printer. These items and many more—plus yard waste that you haul—can be brought to the Loveland Recycling Center, 400 N. Wilson, for recycling or composting.

Recycling Rates

Waste Rates

Weekly Trash Collection

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Recyclables Collection

Recycling is getting simpler, too. Wheeled carts replace bins…no lifting. Everything in one cart…no sorting; no separate bins. Two-week collection cycle…half the effort.

Yep, if it’s recyclable, it goes in the cart. It doesn’t matter if it’s a can, plastic bottle, newspaper, cardboard box, old paper, magazine, phone book, whatever. If it was recyclable before, it’s recyclable now simply by tossing it into the one cart.

The move to a recycling cart system has already begun. After a well-received trial program of 1,800 households, about 8,000 Loveland homes are now enjoying the simplified system. The rest of the city will move to the cart-based system in early 2010 after the arrival of more carts and new trash cans.

What About Glass?

Aha. Perhaps you noticed that recycling glass was not mentioned above. Glass bottles and jars can still be recycled by putting them in bins or the new carts. But there’s a better way.

The reality is that glass is a bin or cart item, not a cart-based item. It’s much more efficient and also safer, reducing the sorters’ exposure to broken glass.

The better method is to collect glasses and jars separately. Customers can then sort their glass and jars in the blue cart and put them in the bin they receive for the glass.

Customers can trade in their blue cart for a new, smaller 17-gallon cart. The new, smallest cart can hold all but the biggest of bottles and jars. Customers can trade in their small 17-gallon cart for a bigger cart, if needed.

Customers can trade in their carts for a larger or smaller cart if they find their current selection isn’t quite right. A call to the Solid Waste Division at 962-2529 is all that’s needed. Their old cart will be picked up and a new size delivered within 24 hours of a request.

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