# **CANTON TOWNSHIP**



Solid Waste Collection Guidelines and Rules

#### ALL ITEMS MUST BE SET OUT AT THE CURB BY 6:30AM ON YOUR COLLECTION DAY

**HOLIDAYS:** Refuse/yard waste/recycling collection is not scheduled on the following holidays: **New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas Day**. Usually if a collection date falls on a holiday (i.e. Monday-Friday), all collections will be delayed one day that week. If the holiday falls on the weekend, there will be NO change in the collection schedule. If you are unsure of your collection date, refer to Canton's website at www.canton-mi.org or call Public Works at 397-1011 or Priority Waste's Website at www.prioritywaste.com, or call at (586) 228-1200.

**APPLIANCES, FURNITURE, & LARGE BULKY ITEMS:** Items must be set out at the curb with your refuse before 6:30 a.m. on your collection day. There is a limit of one large item per week. If the item is not picked up within 24 hours after your refuse is picked up, please contact Priority Waste at www.prioritywaste.com, or call at (586) 228-1200. If bad weather threatens, cover upholstery with plastic to keep it dry and light. DO NOT pack appliances in cardboard boxes. Appliances are picked up separately and recycled. Appliances such as hot water tanks and dehumidifiers MUST be empty of all fluids. All freon bearing appliances MUST have freon removed from a licensed removal service and tagged prior to placing appliance out for collection. PLEASE NOTE: Per Township Ordinance, all refrigerator and freezer doors MUST be removed before they are set out at the curb - all shelves and drawers must also be removed.

**SMALL LOOSE ITEMS:** Separately bag and tie small loose items such as Kleenex tissues, napkins, styrofoam peanuts, cups, etc and place in your refuse container.

**CARDBOARD BOXES**: Flattened cardboard must be cut into pieces and placed in the recycling cart. No commercially produced cardboard is accepted.

**CARPETING:** Carpeting and padding will be picked up at the curb ONLY if it is rolled up and tied with heavy twine or duct tape. Tied rolls cannot be longer than four feet in length or weigh over 50 pounds per roll. \*\*LIMIT OF 12 ROLLS\*\*. A large piece of disposable film plastic wrapped and tied (kite string) over these materials will help keep them dry and light when bad weather threatens. If you do not want to cut and tie carpeting, please contact Priority Waste at www.prioritywaste.com, or call at (586) 228-1200 and inquire about a special pickup for a small fee.

**E-WASTE:** Only home electronics from Canton residents will be accepted at Canton Clean-up. Electronics from commercial businesses will NOT be accepted. E-waste includes; televisions, computers, laptops, printers, fax machines, computer keyboards, mice and small handheld electronic devices (i-Pods, radios, game boy, etc). Please note: E-waste will only be accepted at Canton Clean-up dates and NOT at the curb. All clean-up dates can be found in your Focus newsletter or on Canton's website at www.canton-mi.org. Canton Clean-ups are free of charge and for Canton residents only.

**HAZARDOUS MATERIALS:** Canton offers an annual Hazardous Waste Round-up every September. Many types of household hazardous materials including chemicals, batteries, and paints are accepted at the round-up. For more information on Canton's annual Hazardous Waste Round-up, or to obtain a complete list of what is and is not accepted, visit www.canton-mi.org or call Canton's Public Works Division at 397-1011 ext 0.



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**FROZEN CONTAINERS:** If refuse or recycling containers are frozen to the ground the crew will not take it. Due to safety considerations, crews cannot "dig out" frozen material in refuse cans or recycling carts. Remember, all material must be curbside and prepared for pickup by 6:30 a.m., regardless of the time it is usually picked up.

**HEAVY SNOW:** Priority Waste will send trucks out on schedule except in extreme conditions. Cans must be accessible from the road. PLEASE NOTE: Some services may be temporarily suspended due to weather/road conditions, visit Canton's website at www.canton-mi.org for notices. Do not set containers on a snowbank, all collection items MUST be placed in your driveway or street.

**ODD ITEMS:** Large musical instruments will not be picked up. Bathtubs are construction materials: See WILL NOT COLLECT. Air conditioners: see APPLIANCES. Barbecue grills without propane tanks: see REFUSE PICKUP. Propane or gas tanks: see HAZARDOUS MATERIALS. Bring old refuse cans to CANTON CLEAN-UP. Christmas trees will only be picked up the first two weeks in January and will be recycled (no bags, ornaments, light stands, etc.)

**PLACEMENT OF REFUSE, RECYCLABLES AND YARD WASTE:** Containers must be placed at the front curb or roadside and placed so that it does not interfere with mail delivery. If there is a ditch in front of your property, it must be placed on the roadside of the ditch, and not on your property side. After collection, please remove receptacles within 12 hours pursuant to Township Code of Ordinance Chapter 58.

**REFUSE PICKUP:** Place all regular household refuse in bags and place bags into the 96-gallon trash container. \*Household trash must be contained within the 96-gallon trash container There is a limit of one large item per week (see APPLIANCES and ODD ITEMS). Place refuse on the opposite side of your drive from the yard waste and recyclables.

**ROAD CONSTRUCTION:** Trucks cannot drive on newly constructed pavement. Please call for instructions on the placement of your containers.

## SOLID WASTE COLLECTION GUIDELINES AND RULES

**REFUSE CONTAINERS:** RESIDENTS MUST USE PROVIDED 96-GALLON CONTAINERS. No other containers may be used for household trash. All Household trash should be placed in bags within the 96-gallon container. No cardboard boxes or paper bags can be used as containers for refuse as these materials are recyclable.

**TIME OF SET OUT:** Place all refuse, recyclables, and yard-waste (in season, April – December) at the curb before 6:30 a.m. on your collection day regardless of what time it is usually picked up. ITEMS THAT WILL NOT COLLECTED: Priority Waste will not collect construction materials such as sand, bricks, concrete blocks, lumber, stones, drywall, roofing materials, structural steel, swing-sets, tires, railroad ties, sod, dirt of any kind, tree stumps, tree trunks, wood chips/mulch, paint, glass doors, windows, paneling, counter tops, flooring, lawn mowers, pool heaters, furnaces, etc. Please call for information on special pickup or drop-off.

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#### AUTOMATED RECYCLING

The following items will all be accepted for recycling inside the cart, anything left outside of the cart will not be collected:

CARDBOARD AND PAPER BAGS, NON-WAX COATED PAPERBOARD, MAGAZINES AND CATALOGS, JUNK MAIL, OFFICE PAPER, PHONE BOOKS, NEWSPAPER, CLEAR & COLORED GLASS, STEEL, TIN AND ALUMINUM CANS, PAPER MILK/JUICE CARTONS, AND PLASTIC MARKED WITH A RECYCLING SYMBOL 1 THROUGH 7. (VISIT www.canton-mi.org/230/ FOR LIST)

Carts should be placed on your driveway apron and not in the street. They should also be placed on the opposite side of your drive from your refuse, leaving at least 3 feet around the cart so the mechanical arm on the truck can easily fit around the cart. Hinges and handles should face towards your residence with the lifting bar facing the street. All recyclables must be inside the cart, anything left on the side of the cart will not be collected.

On non-collection days, carts should be stored inside your garage or under your carport. If you do not have a garage or carport or do not have adequate room, then please store it beside your residence. Your Homeowner's Association may have additional rules about placement that you will need to comply with.

## YARD WASTE (APRIL 1 – DECEMBER 13)

Curbside pickup of residential yard waste begins April 1 and lasts through December 13. Place yard waste out separate from your refuse and recyclables on your regular pickup day. Place yard waste on the opposite side of your drive from the refuse. Yard waste containers must be labeled. CONTAINERS OVER 50 POUNDS OR OVER 32 GALLONS IN SIZE OR PLASTIC BAGS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

**WHAT TO PUT OUT:** Grass clippings, leaves, yard and garden waste (including pumpkins), pruning debris and brush. Christmas trees will only be picked up the first two weeks in January.

**HOW TO PREPARE MATERIALS:** Twigs, branches, brush, pruning, and tree limbs may be tied with heavy twine into bundles no larger than three feet, with branches no thicker than 1 ½ inches in diameter and weighing no more than 50 pounds. Limit of six bundles each week. Grass clippings, leaves, and garden waste may be placed in 30-gallon PAPER YARD WASTE BAGS (no paper grocery bags) or placed in 32-gallon reusable containers with sturdy handles marked "Yard Waste". Stickers for reusable containers are available in the Public Works office. Containers must be labeled with label facing the street.

**DO NOT PUT:** Food scraps, mulch, animal waste, batteries, chemicals, sod, dirt or mulch in the yard waste bags or containers. If you have any questions on this program or question on how to compost items not listed please call 844/464-3587. Please note: mulch can be disposed of at Canton Clean-up events.



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