# Village of Woodridge Refuse and Recycling Program

On April 19, 2018, Woodridge entered into a five year contract with Groot Industries to provide single-family residential solid waste collection services. On April 20, 2023, Woodridge entered into a one year contract extension with Groot. The Village has worked closely with the waste collection industry during the past decade to develop and maintain a program which meets the needs of residents and is environmentally responsible.

Residents may choose either the sticker program or the toter service which bills residents and does not require stickers. We encourage you to keep this pamphlet as a handy reference.

## Toter/Cart Service Option

Residents may contact Groot Industries at (888) 485-0900 to sign up for toter service. Instead of using stickers, residents are billed a pick-up fee of \$24.50 per month for a 33 or 64 gallon toter or \$28.00 per month for a 96 gallon toter. An additional monthly fee of \$3.50 will be charged for the rental of the toter. If a resident wishes to purchase a toter, he/she should contact Groot Industries. Carts cost \$75 to purchase.

Any house refuse that does not fit in the toter, and all yard waste bags, will still require stickers.

Toter Size	Monthly Pick-up Fee	Monthly Toter Rental Fee	Total Monthly Fee w/Rental
33 Gal.	\$24.50	\$3.50	\$28.00
64 Gal.	\$24.50	\$3.50	\$28.00
96 Gal.	\$28.00	\$3.50	\$31.50

# Q. How do I dispose of large items or items that do not fit in a container or bag?

A. You may dispose of large items (6 foot size limit) by attaching three (3) refuse stickers and putting it out on your regular collection day. Tires require one sticker each and you must notify Groot Industries 24 hours prior to your pick-up day.

# Q. How do I dispose of appliances and electronics?

A. Since 1994, the Illinois EPA has prohibited the disposal of items containing chlorofluorocarbon gases or other contaminants. These "white goods" include refrigerators, washers, dryers, freezers, air conditioners, furnaces, dishwashers, stoves, water heaters, humidifiers and dehumidifiers. The cost for this service by Groot is \$45 per white good.

As of January 1, 2013, the disposal of electronics in landfills is also prohibited. This includes computers, monitors, TVs, printers, DVDs/VCRs, fax machines, radios, toner cartridges, microwaves, and small appliances. The optional program cost (with stickers or pay ahead) for removal of electronic devices (E-Waste) at the curb by Groot is:

- TV/Monitors limit 50 lbs. -15 stickers
- · Larger TV's -special pick-up
- E-Waste paper bag size -5 stickers

To dispose of any of these items curbside, residents must call Groot Industries 48 hours in advance.

Information on drop sites or disposal options is available on the Village web site or by calling Village Hall at (630) 719-2905.



Scan this QR code to visit the Woodridge Garbage & Recycling website

## Q. What about construction or remodeling debris?

A. Material (such as carpet) must be securely tied in bundles no bigger than 4 feet long, 2 feet in diameter and up to 50 pounds. Materials may also be placed in a 33 gallon container. Each bundle or container must have one refuse sticker attached. For larger amounts of construction or remodeling debris, contact Groot Industries at (888) 485-0900.

## Q. What is "Clean-Up Day"?

A. Clean-Up Day is the first full week of October on your regularly scheduled pick-up day. During this week, residents are allowed to dispose of an unlimited amount of refuse. A sticker must by displayed for each of the first 5 items (garbage cans included) that you would normally tag. Any additional items will be picked up without stickers. All items must be bundled, bagged and otherwise prepared for pick-up as they would on a regular collection day. Clean-Up Day does not apply to building materials, tires, hazardous waste, electronics (anything with a cord), or yard waste. No stickers are required of residents who use the toter service and are billed directly through Groot Industries.

## Q. Will there be a special pick-up for my Christmas tree?

A. Yes, on your first two scheduled pick-up days in January, residents may leave live Christmas trees up to 6' tall at the curb with no sticker affixed. Trees must be cleaned of any decorations, wire and lights and not placed in plastic bags. Wreaths and evergreen garland will not be accepted.

## Q. What is Rear Door service and how much does it cost?

A. Any single family resident may request rear door refuse collection. All refuse must be prepared and stickered as it would for curbside pick-up, and an additional \$25 per month will be billed by Groot Industries to provide rear door pick-up. Thirty days written notice is required to cancel this service.

## **Sticker Program**

One sticker must be attached to either a 33 gallon container or 33 gallon plastic bag. Garbage in containers should fit with the lid on and filled containers or bags cannot weigh more than 50 pounds. The same sticker is used for both refuse and yard waste (see yard waste details on the back of brochure). The sticker price for June 1, 2023 to May 31, 2024 is \$4.00.

Stickers are available through the mail from Groot Industries by calling (888) 485-0900 and at the following locations:

CVS Pharmacy - 8645 Woodward, Woodridge

Jewel -75th & Janes, Woodridge

Jewel - 1156 Maple, Lisle

Jewel - 1227 Naper Blvd., Naperville

Jewel - 6215 Main, Downers Grove

Ace Hardware - 6216 Main, Downers Grove

Mariano's - 1300 Naper Blvd., Naperville

Meijer - 755 Boughton, Bolingbrook

CVS Pharmacy - 8325 Lemont, Darien

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Groot Industries
Toll Free:
(888) 485-0900

# **Recycling & Yard Waste Guidelines**

## **NO STICKERS REQUIRED FOR RECYCLING!**

Recycling may be placed at the curb in 20 gallon recycling bins or larger Groot Industries wheeled carts. The bins may be purchased for \$20.00 by calling Groot Industries or from Woodridge Village Hall at 5 Plaza Dr., Woodridge. Toters may be purchased or rented from Groot Industries by calling (888) 485-0900. There is no limit on the number of recycling containers you can put out.

There is no one way to arrange recyclables in the containers, but care should be taken so items do not fly or drop out. Items in recycling containers must be visible and **cannot be placed in plastic bags**. Only materials on the approved recycling list will be accepted, and all items should be rinsed and free of food or any other non-recyclable materials. **Non-recyclable materials placed in the bin will result in the container not being collected.** 

NO PLASTIC BAGS ARE ALLOWED IN RECYCLING CONTAINERS

NO WINDOW GLASS, MIRRORS OR CRYSTAL

NO SOLVENT, AUTOMOTIVE OR CHEMICAL CONTAINERS

Residents can dispose of **hazardous household waste** at the permanent site in Naperville. Please call DuPage Solid Waste Department for information at (630) 420-6095 or visit <a href="https://www.dupageco.org/recycling">www.dupageco.org/recycling</a>.

## **COLLECTION DAY**

The map below identifies your day for pick-up based on location within the Village. Refuse, yard waste and recycling items must be at the curb by 7:00 a.m. on your scheduled pick-up day and may be put out for collection after 3:00 p.m. the day prior. Items must be removed by 8:00 p.m. the evening of your scheduled pick-up.

#### Q. What day will my garbage be picked up during a holiday week?

A. Observed holidays include New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas Day. If any of these holidays fall on a Sunday, Monday is considered the actual holiday. Pickup schedules for holidays will be affected as follows:

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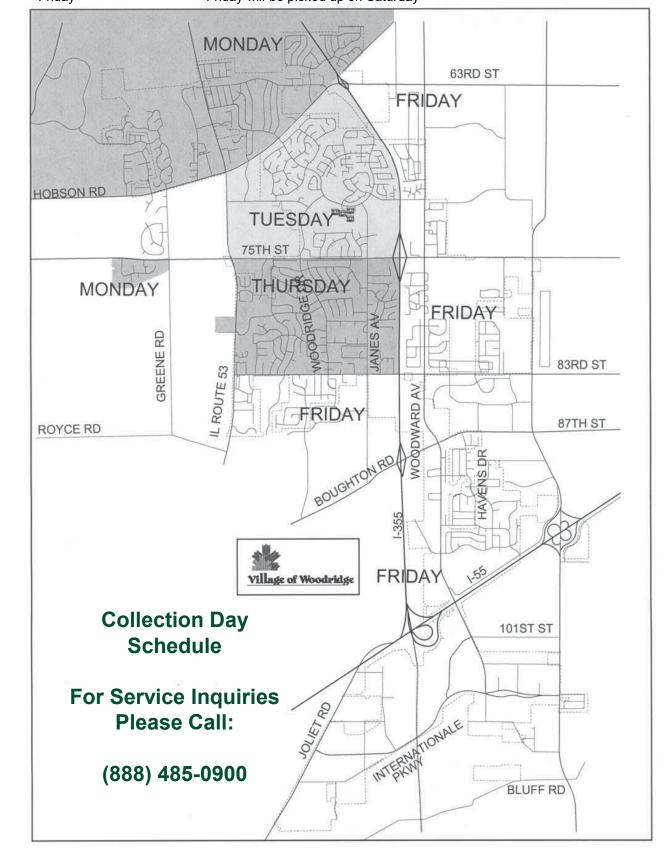
Sunday <u>or Monday</u> Monday will be picked up on Tues. <u>and</u> Tues. will be picked up on Weds.

Tuesday will picked up Wednesday

Wednesday No changes

Thursday will be picked up on Friday and Friday will be picked up on Sat.

Friday will be picked up on Saturday



# Accepted Recycling Items:

#### **Paper Items**

- · Newspapers and inserts
- · Kraft brown paper bags
- Corrugated cardboard (flattened into sections)
- Magazines, junk mail (including window envelopes)
- Flyers, copy paper, computer paper, and gift wrapping paper
- · Juice boxes and gable topped cartons
- · Catalogs (thinner than 2 inches)
- Wet and dry strength paperboard (cereal boxes, soda cases, frozen food boxes, etc.)

#### Glass Items

- Bottles and jars
- All colors

### Metal Items

- Steel, aluminum, tin, bi-metal cans
- Empty paint cans and lids
- · Aluminum foil
- · Empty aerosol cans

#### PETE (#1) Plastic Bottles and Rigid Containers

- 2 Liter soda bottles
- Plastic plates and trays
- Plastic flower pots

#### HDPE (#2) Plastic Bottles and Rigid Containers

- · Laundry detergent containers
- Milk and water bottles

#### **PVC (#3)**

 Narrow neck containers only like household cleaners, health and beauty products

#### LDPE (#4)

- Margarine tubs
- Beverage rings from 6 and 12 packs

#### PP (#5

· Yogurt cups, ketchup bottles

#### Other (#7)

· Plastic resin grocery narrow neck containers only

## **Yard Waste**

# Q. What options do I have for handling my yard waste other than curbside removal?

A. Yard waste is a valuable resource when applied to your landscape. Mulching grass clipping and leaves back into your lawn will provide nutrients to your yard. Another possibility is to compost yard waste on your property. Information on both mulching and composting are available at the Public Works Department.

## Q. Will yard waste be collected at the curb?

A.Yes, yard waste uses the same stickers that are used for refuse. Yard waste will be collected from April 1 through December 15. Yard waste is grass, leaves, tree trimming debris and any other plant material. Yard waste does not include sod, landscaping timbers, mulch or any type of rock. These items must be placed in the regular refuse. Landscape timbers must be cut into 4 foot lengths and put out as refuse.

## Q. How should I package my yard waste?

A. You may put yard waste in either a 33 gallon paper bag or an unlined 33 gallon rigid container. Brush should be packaged in bundles no more than 4 feet in length and 2 feet in diameter. Each of these must have a waste sticker attached and cannot weigh more than 50 pounds.

# Q. Does the Village have a brush chipping service?

A. Yes. The Department of Public Works and the Park District operate a site at 71st Street and Woodridge Drive where residents may drop off their brush. Branches up to 8 inches in diameter will be accepted. The site is open on the second Saturday of the month from May through October from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. The cost of drop off is \$5 per car for the first load (\$3 per car for same day return trips). Pick-up trucks, vans or trailers are \$10 for each load.

## Q. Does the Village have a leaf pick-up program?

A. Yes. Free leaf pick-up will be offered on a resident's first 4 scheduled pick-ups **from November 1 thru November 28**. An unlimited number of leaves placed in Kraft paper bags or biodegradable paper bags can be placed at the curb for collection without stickers. These bags may contain leaves only. Brush, grass clippings, and other landscape waste are not permitted for this leaf pick-up program.