

Trash and Recycling Collection Information

Customers receive trash, recycling, and bulk item collection once per week, for one rate. This pays for the collection of one 33-gallon container of trash, recycling, properly prepared limbs, and some bulky items. Appliances need a pink appliance sticker available for \$5.00 at most major retailers. Stickers for an additional 33-gallon bag of trash are available for \$1.00 each. Container stickers for 3, 6, or 12 month increments are \$12.00, \$24.00, and \$45.00 respectively. Please remember, Whaley's can not collect cans that are larger than 33-gallons, extra trash with no tags, or appliances that do not have an appliance tag on them. Yard waste must be in O/W yard waste bags. Bags cost \$1.00 and are available at most major retailers. Yard waste is collected on Tuesdays, it must be placed at the curb before 4:00 am on Tuesday morning, the bags must be under 40 lbs., and branches must be no more than 3" in diameter, cut in 36" lengths, and tied in bundles up to 50 lbs. All items must be at the curb before 4:00 am on the day it is scheduled for collection. When preparing material to place in your bin or trash container, remember to bag all items likely to cause dust, fumes, vapors, or become windblown. Bagging makes collections safer and more efficient, plus it helps keep our streets and yards clean. Wind blown trash is unsightly and unhealthy. Bagging trash & recycling also discourages unwanted pests from getting into your trash. Do not put sharps in your recycling bin. They may be brought to the Recycling Center in approved sharps containers.

What Can I Recycle?

Any plastic bottle or jar, except motor oil bottles.

Newspaper and anything that comes in your newspaper. Also magazines, catalogs, and telephone directories.

Corrugated cardboard. This is the kind with the wavy layers in the middle. (Doesn't include pop and beer cartons)

Tin Cans—any soup, fruit, vegetable, empty aerosol, and etc. Also aluminum cans like Java Monster.

Office paper—Most things that come across the top of a desk, including junk mail.

Questions—641-683-0685

Holiday Collections Schedule

2010 Holiday	Change for the Holiday Week	Holiday Week changes
		Appliance and Yard Waste Collection
New Years	Collected Thursday	No Change
M. L.K. Day	Collected Tuesday	Collected Thursday
Pres. Day	Collected Tuesday	Collected Thursday
Memorial Day	Collected Tuesday	Collected Thursday
Independence Day	Collected Tuesday	Collected Thursday
Labor Day	Collected Tuesday	Collected Thursday
Veteran's Day	No Change	No Change
Thanksgiving	No Change	No Change
Christmas	No Change	No Change

Questions:

Call 641-682-1700, 641-683-0685, 641-683-0644, or 641-683-0694

Ottumwa/Wapello County Regional Collection Center

Located at the west end of the Ottumwa/
Wapello

County Recycling Center



What are household hazardous or toxic wastes?

Many home, lawn, and garden products contain potentially dangerous chemicals. If they are not used, stored, and disposed of safely they may cause injury to people, animals, and our environment.

Why are they dangerous?

Some chemicals found in these products may contribute to allergic reactions, headaches, burns, nausea, coughs, and dizziness. Many chemicals cause more severe effects such as liver or kidney damage, cancer, birth defects, and accidental poisonings. Improper disposal can mean chemicals polluting our groundwater and drinking water. These products are toxic, caustic, flammable, and explosive; improper disposal into municipal trash or down the drain can injure refuse workers, or contaminate water supplies.

Who can participate?

Any urban or rural household from Wapello or Davis County at NO CHARGE. You MUST have an appointment. Limit 25-gallons or 220 pounds per household.

YOU

Can Make a Difference

Choose safer alternatives when you can.

Buy only the amount you need, use it up, or share usable leftovers with others.

Use the product for its intended purpose.

Safely store unused products in original

containers in an area away from children, pets, and wildlife.

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Managing Household Hazardous

Materials in 5 easy steps!

1. Take an inventory of the hazardous materials in your home **before** you call for an appointment.

Lawn & Garden –fertilizers, pesticides, insecticides, such as garden dusts & sprays, ant & roach powder, flea & tick products, personal bug sprays, sticks & creams, rodenticides, fungicides, algaecides, and herbicides.

Workshop & Hobby - stains, varnishes, polyurethane coatings, paint removers, strippers, rust removers, preservatives, paint thinners, mineral spirits, turpentine, alcohol, creosote, naphtha, and lead-based paint.

Garage - automotive fluids, motor oil additives, engine cleaners, gas & diesel additives, car waxes, antifreeze & brake fluid.

Household Cleaning Products-shoe polish, floor wax, furniture polish, drain cleaners, spot & stain removers, dyes, metal polish & moth balls.

2. Set aside any household hazardous materials that can gradually be used for their intended purpose.

3. Make a list of any products and their amounts that you have any questions about. Include a trade name & chemical name, if possible, for pesticides. Leave products in the original containers. **DO NOT** mix any of the chemicals.

4. Call **641-683-0699** to schedule an appointment. Calls will be taken Monday—Friday from 7:00 AM—4:00 PM, April through October.

5. Write your appointment time on a calendar. On the day of your appointment, place all of your household hazardous wastes in a corrugated box and place in the trunk. **DO NOT** place chemicals on the seat beside you. The fumes might overcome you while driving to your appointment.

Businesses that generate small quantities of hazardous waste should call for more information.