

# Recycling Guidelines

## General Guidelines

- Recycling pickup occurs on trash day, every other week. Place carts out by 6 a.m. For the collection schedule, visit [RepublicServices.com/schedule](https://www.meridiancity.org/RepublicServices.com/schedule).
- Residents receive a 95-gallon comingled recycling cart with a red lid. Ensure all materials are in the cart with the lid closed.

## Glass Recycling Options

- Subscription-based curbside service: for a monthly fee, customers will receive a 65-gallon cart (blue lid), which is collected every 4 weeks.
- Free drop-off service: located at the Transfer Station, 2130 W. Franklin Road, Meridian. The site is open to the public 24/7.
- Accepted:** only bottles and jars. Please empty, rinse, and remove corks and lids.
- Not accepted:** mirrors, windows, Pyrex, dishes, tanks, lights, ceramics, cardboard or plastic bags.

## Yard Debris Composting (year-round cart benefits)

- Subscription-based curbside service: for a monthly fee, customers receive a 95-gallon cart with a tan lid. Service is weekly and collected on your regular trash day.
- Accepted materials include grass and leaves. All debris must be loose in the cart. Please, **NO** pet waste or trash.
- For more information, visit [Meridiancity.org/yard-debris](https://www.meridiancity.org/yard-debris).

## Recycle the Fall: Residential Leaf Collection

- Two options to dispose of leaves: curbside collection and drop-off site collection. All leaves collected during this event are composted and diverted from landfills.
- For more information, visit [Meridiancity.org/RTF](https://www.meridiancity.org/RTF).

## Christmas Tree Composting

- Trees are collected first full week in January. Place trees at the curb on your trash day.
- Cut trees into 4-ft. lengths. All lights, ornaments, and tinsel must be removed. Flocked trees are NOT allowed.
- Trees may be dropped off at the Meridian Transfer Station.
- For more information, visit [Meridiancity.org/tree-composting](https://www.meridiancity.org/tree-composting).

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# Acceptable Recycling Materials



## Plastics – #1, #2, #5

Bottles, food tubs, jugs (e.g., water, milk, yogurt and shampoo containers). *Empty, rinse, and replace lids.*



## Metal Containers

Food and beverage cans, aluminum foil and trays, and metal lids larger than 3 inches. *Empty, rinse, and do not crush.*



## Paper

Envelopes (cellophane window OK), junk mail, magazines, catalogs, office paper and paper bags



## Cardboard

Empty and flatten cardboard boxes, paperboard food boxes, shoe and gift boxes, and pizza boxes (*make sure food is removed, and it's not saturated with grease*)



Plastic bags are NOT accepted in the recycling cart.

All recyclable materials must be loose in the recycling cart.

## Not Accepted in Cart



Batteries



Food Containers



Glass



Plastic Bags



Tangles



Trash



Food/Liquid

## Hefty® ReNew® Orange Bag Program

For more information about the Orange Bag program, please visit [MeridianCity.org/orange-bag](https://www.meridiancity.org/orange-bag).



# Meridian Residential Recycling and Trash Guide



Sustainability in Action



# Trash

## Additional Information

### General Guidelines

- Carts must be out by 6 a.m. with the lids closed. Remove carts from the curb within 24 hours.
- Residents receive a 95-gallon trash cart with a green lid for automated pickup (48- and 65-gallon carts are available upon request).
- All loose material must be bagged inside cart. Items outside of the cart, except during events or pre-scheduled collection, will not be collected.
- Place carts 3 feet from other carts and objects like mailboxes, fire hydrants, cars and utility poles, with the handle towards the house and wheels at the street curb. Never block the sidewalk or bike lane access.
- Place used motor oil in clear 1-gallon jugs. Make them visible to the driver on trash day (up to 2 gallons per week).



### Prohibited Materials

- NO explosives or ammunition, tires, liquids, radioactive items, non-alkaline batteries, biomedical or hazardous waste.
- NO rocks, bricks, concrete or other construction materials in carts.
- Do not place loose sharps (needles, syringes, lancets) in carts.

### Safe Disposal of Prescription Drugs

- The City of Meridian has permanent drop-off bins located in the police department lobby. For more information, visit [Meridiancity.org/rxtakeback](https://meridiancity.org/rxtakeback).

### Household Hazardous Waste Program

- **Accepted Materials:** E-cigarettes (vape pens), fluorescent tubes, CFL bulbs, paint, stains, varnish, electronics, monitors and televisions, vehicle batteries, rechargeable and lithium batteries, oil, pesticides and herbicides
- **Drop-Off Locations:**
  - Republic Services parking lot: 2130 W. Franklin Road, Meridian, every Monday, 12 p.m. – 7 p.m. (closed holidays). For more information, visit [Meridiancity.org/hhw](https://meridiancity.org/hhw).
  - Ada County Landfill: 10300 N. Seaman's Gulch Road, Boise. Friday and Saturday, 8 a.m. – 6 p.m.
  - For additional mobile sites and information, visit [Adacounty.id.gov/landfill](https://adacounty.id.gov/landfill) or call [208.577.4736](tel:208.577.4736).

### Bulk Item Collection Service

- Free curbside collection of up to 10 bulk items per calendar year
- Items include couches, mattresses, patio furniture and appliances. A fee applies for refrigerant-containing appliances.
- To schedule a pickup, call [208.345.1265](tel:208.345.1265) or visit [Meridiancity.org/bulky-items](https://meridiancity.org/bulky-items).

### Sharps Containers

- Improper disposal of sharps, such as needles, is a health and safety threat to solid waste workers.
- To get your free sharps container from Republic Services, bring a current utility bill with your name and address, to verify Meridian residency, to the Meridian Transfer Station (MTS) at 2130 W. Franklin Road, Monday - Saturday, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.
- Once the container is full, bring it back to the MTS to exchange it for an empty one.

### Contact Republic Services:

To report missed collection, start or stop service, order additional carts, change cart size, and repair or replace damaged carts, call [208.345.1265](tel:208.345.1265).

### Carry-Out Service

Customers who qualify under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) may receive free carry-out service. Other customers may sign up for carry-out service for an extra monthly charge. To order carry-out service, call Republic Services at [208.345.1265](tel:208.345.1265).

### Billing Questions

For billing questions or mailing address changes, please contact Meridian Utility Billing Services at [208.888.4439](tel:208.888.4439) or [Utilitybilling@meridiancity.org](mailto:Utilitybilling@meridiancity.org).

### City of Meridian Solid Waste Program

For questions about the City's solid waste program, events and item disposal, visit [Meridiancity.org/solidwaste](https://meridiancity.org/solidwaste).

### Holiday Collection Schedule

Waste collection services may be delayed by one service day when the following holidays fall on a weekday:

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| • New Year's Day | • Labor Day        |
| • Memorial Day   | • Thanksgiving Day |
| • Fourth of July | • Christmas Day    |

Visit [RepublicServices.com/schedule](https://RepublicServices.com/schedule) to find your service days.

### Transfer Station Recycling Center

2130 W. Franklin Road, Meridian  
(enter off Benchmark Ave.)

Residents can drop off the following items free of charge:

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| • Glass bottles                       | • Aluminum cans                       |
| • Cardboard                           | • Scrap metals                        |
| • Plastic bottles, jugs and food tubs | • Holiday lights and electrical cords |

### Trash or Treasure Event

- This annual springtime event provides residents with the opportunity to set out clean, gently used, no longer wanted household items at the curb. Fellow residents (treasure hunters) can use an online treasure map to collect these items, giving them a new life and diverting items from the local landfill.
- For more information, visit [Meridiancity.org/tort](https://meridiancity.org/tort).