



## **Container Details and Curbside Information**

### **RDOS Curbside Rural Areas & Village of Keremeos**

- 1) Curbside Route pick-up times can vary, place curbside materials to the curb before 7:00 am
- 2) To avoid attracting wildlife – Do not leave garbage or recycling at the curb overnight
- 3) Manual Lift means the driver is manually lifting and placing material into the curbside truck
- 4) Semi-Automated means the driver moves the cart by hand to attach cart to the lift
- 5) Weight and size restrictions on both manual and semi-automated
- 6) Residents purchase their own can/container or cart or may rent carts from Waste Connections
- 7) Before purchasing a cart with a bar half way up the front it is advisable to check with the curbside contractor, Waste Connections, to ensure the bar type works with the curbside truck's semi-automated lift.

#### **SIGN-UP FOR WEEKLY CURBSIDE REMINDERS AND CURBSIDE ALERTS**

- a) Visit [www.rdos.bc.ca](http://www.rdos.bc.ca) and under the heading, Programs & Services,
- b) Click , Landfill Links and Curbside Collection.
- c) On that page, select the calendar icon and enter your address.
- d) When your address appears, click **Get a reminder** – and choose how you would like that reminder.

#### **Container options for GARBAGE for either Manual Lift or for Semi-Automated Lift:**

##### **GARBAGE – MANUAL LIFT – LIMITS AND OPTIONS:**

- a) Each week the limit for garbage is two count and,
- b) Weight of each can/container/bag for manual lifting not to exceed 25kgs (55lbs) and,
- c) Each can/container to have adequate handles for lifting
- d) Can/Container/ Bag size options:
  - i. Rigid plastic or galvanized metal can with no wheels, removable lid, with sturdy handles and maximum size of each can is no more than 95 litre
  - ii. Container with small wheels, removable lid, maximum size is not more than 121 litre, must have a handle, and these containers are easier to lift manually with a metal bar on the bottom of the container e.g.: Rubbermaid Wheeled Garbage Can, 121-L
  - iii. Plastic bag with a volume capacity of no more than 95 litre
- e) If using a can or a container, please bag tissue and broken glass
- f) Do not tie lids to garbage container as the dangling lid can trigger the lift bar, catching the Driver's arm
- g) Driver will place lid beside container, or will put it back on the container, and though not required to will occasionally place the lid inside the container
- h) Do not add curbside recyclables, renovation/demolition materials or yard-waste to garbage
- i) If you need to go over the weekly limit of two count – RDOS Tag-a-Bag stickers can be purchased and applied to each extra bag. See Curbside Calendar for locations to purchase and for pricing.

##### **GARBAGE – SEMI-AUTOMATED LIFT – CART SIZE AND LIMITS:**

- a) Each week a maximum of two-120 litre Carts or one 240 litre Cart
- b) Rolling Carts are designed to be lifted by a machine and must have a metal bar half way up the front to allow for collection
- c) Maximum size is 240L and weight of 240L not to exceed 57 Kgs (125lbs)
- d) If you need to go over the weekly limit, RDOS Tag-a-Bag stickers can be purchased and applied to each extra bag. See your Curbside Calendar for locations to purchase and for pricing.

## **Container options for RECYCLING for either Manual Lift or for Semi-Automated Lift:**

### **RECYCLING – MANUAL LIFT LIMITS AND OPTIONS:**

- a) Recycling amounts to the curb is unlimited every two weeks
- b) Weight of each can/container for manual lift not to exceed 25kgs (55lbs)
- c) Each can/container to have adequate handles for lifting
- d) To identify to the driver the non-blue recycling cans/containers, RDOS provides free of charge “Recycle Only” Stickers
- e) Ensure all recycling is clean and dry
- f) Can/Container size options:
  - iv. Rigid plastic or galvanized metal can with no wheels, removable lid, with sturdy handles and maximum size of each can is 95 litre
  - v. Container with small wheels, removable lid, maximum size 121 litre, must have a handle, and these containers are easier to lift manually with a metal bar on the bottom of the container e.g.: Rubbermaid Wheeled Garbage Can, 121-L
  - vi. Plastic bag with a volume capacity of 95 litre or less
  - vii. Blue box is acceptable but to avoid littering from winds and to avoid wet materials from rain/snow, it is recommended to cover the blue box. Containers with lids are preferable to the blue box.
- g) For newsprint, discarded envelopes, and any type of loose paper, please do not place on top, as these materials being light weight blows out and litters when driver removes lid
- h) For items accepted in curbside recycling:
  - i. See RDOS website [www.rdos.bc.ca/recycling](http://www.rdos.bc.ca/recycling)
  - ii. Email [info@rdos.bc.ca](mailto:info@rdos.bc.ca) and ask for the curbside recycling information handout
  - iii. Use the RCBC Recyclepedia search to search the item in question - [www.rcbc.ca](http://www.rcbc.ca)
  - iv. Call RDOS Hotline 250-490-4129 to leave a message, calls returned Monday to Friday

### **CARDBOARD**

- a) May be cut into smaller pieces and placed in the recycling container
- b) For bundled cardboard use tape or twine to secure (do not use wire)
- c) Maximum bundle size is 65cm (2”) by 1m (3”) by 15cm (6”) deep
- d) WAXED cardboard is not recyclable and is garbage.

### **SHREDDED PAPER**

- a) Place in one clear bag, tie bag closed & place inside recycling container on top of other recyclable items

### **RECYCLING – SEMI-AUTOMATED LIFT - LIMITS AND OPTIONS:**

- a) Recycling amounts to the curb is unlimited every two weeks
- b) Carts are designed to be lifted by a machine must have a metal bar half way up the front side to allow for collection
- c) Acceptable recycling cart size for automatic lift is 120, 240 or 360 litres
- d) Ensure all recyclables are clean and dry
- e) To identify the non-blue recycling cart, RDOS provides “Recycle Only” Stickers at no charge
- f) For items accepted in curbside recycling:
  - v. See RDOS website [www.rdos.bc.ca/recycling](http://www.rdos.bc.ca/recycling)
  - vi. Email [info@rdos.bc.ca](mailto:info@rdos.bc.ca) and ask for the curbside recycling information handout
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## **Container options for YARD WASTE for either Manual Lift or for Semi-Automated Lift:**

### **YARD WASTE – MANUAL LIFT - LIMITS AND OPTIONS:**

- a) Pack yard waste loosely so contents fall out easily when dumped
- b) Yard Waste is unlimited
- c) Weight of each can/container/paper bag for manual lift not to exceed 25kgs (55lbs)
- d) Check calendar for service dates as seasonal
- e) Can/Container/Paper Bag size options for Manual Lift:
  - i. Maximum size can/container is 95 litres, made of rigid plastic or galvanized metal can/container with sturdy handles, with no wheels, may have a removable lid
  - ii. Container(s) with small wheels, maximum size 121 litre, must have a handle – and these containers are easier to lift manually with a metal bar on the bottom of the container (e.g.: Rubbermaid Wheeled Garbage Can, 121-L) – do not over fill – weight cannot exceed 25kgs (55lbs)
  - iii. Paper bag(s) – generally called Kraft Paper 2-Ply Lawn or Paper Yard Waste Bags. To avoid bag tearing do not overfill yard waste bags.
- f) Yard Waste is chipped at Landfills, therefore **NO** plastic bags, rocks, soil, food scraps, stumps, pots/trays or animal droppings in Yard Waste
- g) RDOS at 101 Martin St., Penticton provides at no charge Yard Waste stickers to attach to containers with lids, not required on containers with no lids

### **YARD WASTE – BRANCH BUNDLES SIZE LIMIT – MANUAL LIFT:**

- a) Maximum Bundle Size Length 1 m(3 feet) – Maximum Branch Diameter 7.5cm (3 inches)
- b) Bundle tie with string or twine. DO NOT use wire.
- g) Must be tied securely so bundle does not fall apart when loading to curbside truck

### **YARD WASTE – SEMI-AUTOMATED LIFT - LIMITS AND OPTIONS:**

- a) Pack yard waste loosely so contents fall out easily when dumped
- b) Yard Waste is unlimited
- c) Check calendar for service dates as seasonal
- d) Carts are designed to be lifted by a machine must have a metal bar half way up the front side to allow for collection
- e) Cart size for semi-automated lift for yard waste is 120, up to a maximum of 240 litres
- f) 240 L cart weight not to exceed 57 Kgs (125lbs)
- g) Do not fill CARTS with just heavy yard waste, such as grass clippings, if too heavy the cart will be tagged and left
- h) Yard Waste is chipped at Landfills - **No** plastic bags, rocks, soil, food scraps, stumps, pots/trays or animal droppings in Yard Waste at curbside or when hauling yard waste to the landfill
- i) RDOS at 101 Martin St., Penticton provides at no charge Yard Waste stickers to attach to containers with lids, not required on containers with no lids

### **CART RENTALS FOR SEMI-AUTOMATED LIFT**

- a) Curbside Contractor offers yearly cart rentals for Curbside Garbage, Recycling, and Yard Waste
- b) These carts have the bar half way up the front for use for semi-automated lift.
- c) For more information contact curbside contractor, Waste Connections by email
- d) Include in email your full name, property address, phone number
- e) Waste Connections email: [csr-penticton-osoyoos@wasteconnections.com](mailto:csr-penticton-osoyoos@wasteconnections.com)
- f) Bear resistant containers are not available for rent or purchase from Waste Connections

### WILDLIFE RESISTANT CONTAINERS/CARTS

- a) Container or cart with lid locks must be unlocked before 7am
- b) Container or carts not unlocked will be tagged and left at the curb
- c) For sizes and weights – see details under Garbage and Recycling
- d) Curbside Route times can change, to avoid missed pick-up, place your curbside materials to the curb the morning of and before 7am.
- e) To avoid attracting wildlife – Do not leave garbage or recycling at the curb overnight

### LARGE ITEMS COLLECTION – ACCEPTABLE ITEMS COLLECTED ONCE PER YEAR

- a) Once per year – check calendar for collection date
- b) Maximum of **2 acceptable items** per household – maximum weight per item 90kg (200lbs)
- c) **Acceptable items are only:** furniture, Mattresses, Box Springs, fridges, freezers, Stoves, Washers, Dryers.
- d) **Note:** a mattress and a box spring count as two separate items
- e) NO hot water tanks or furnaces

### MISSED CURBSIDE COLLECTION

- If your curbside materials were placed to the curb before 7am and your curbside pick-up was missed, please contact Waste Connections
- By phone: 250-490-3888 or by email: [csr-penticton-osoyoos@wasteconnections.com](mailto:csr-penticton-osoyoos@wasteconnections.com)

**DURING WINTER MONTHS**, when roads are not plowed or are not sufficiently sanded, the curbside truck may not be able to collect. If your curbside has not been picked up by 4:00pm, please collect, and then place out on your next curbside day. Your missed weekly limit garbage and your regular week's garbage will be collected.