

Memo to All Owners and Residents

From: The Board of Directors, Homeland Village

Re: Trash and Recycling in Homeland Village

We are still working on getting everyone on board with community trash and recycling regulations. Some of you have made the extra effort to meet expectations and we appreciate it. Thank you to all who help make our community an inviting place to live. Following are the expectations of our covenants:

Trash

Trash is collected on **Tuesdays** and **Fridays** unless the day of collection is a holiday. If the day of collection is a holiday, trash is **not** collected on that day. It will not be collected until the next regularly scheduled trash day. So, please be aware of holidays and do not put out your trash on a holiday. If you do put it out by mistake and it is not collected, take it back to your unit and wait for the next regularly scheduled trash collection day.

Trash should be in a trash can. Only put out trash that is in a bag and not a trash can on the morning of trash collection. Please do not put out trash that is not in a trash bag.

Many people put out their trash in trash bags on the day before it is collected. Please do not do this. It attracts unwanted animal life, e.g. rats. It invites birds to tear open bags and spread trash around the community. We do not want this. Trash cans should not be put out before 6 p.m. on the day before collection.

Return your trash can to the trash shed as soon as possible after the trash has been collected. Please do not leave your trash can sitting out on the curb for days on end.

Trash Sheds

Put your trash and recycling bins IN THE TRASH SHED in front of your unit or behind your townhouse or inside your unit. Your neighbors do not want to look at your trash, trash bins and recycling bins all the time. The trash sheds are there to serve as the storage place for trash cans and recycling bins. Please use them. Do not store trash, trash bins, plastic bags full of trash or recycling on patios or decks or in front of your unit outside of the trash shed. It is a violation of the community covenants to do this.

Recycling

Recycling is collected on **Thursdays**. If there was a holiday on any day of the week before Thursday, then recycling collection slides one day. So, for example, if Monday is Memorial Day, recycling is not picked up on Thursday of that week. Rather, it slides to Friday.

Recycling must be sorted into separate containers. Your recycling is not collected if it has not been sorted correctly. See below for sorting directions. If your recycling was rejected because

it was not sorted, it is still your recycling. You need to take it back to your unit and figure out how to either sort it correctly or dispose of it as trash.

Recycling may be put into recycling bins or paper yard waste bags. But It is **not** collected if it is put in plastic bags. Also, recycling does not collect styrofoam, plastic bags, plastic wrap.

Recycling must be sorted in bins or paper bags as follows:

Mixed paper – 1 container

- Cardboard
- Newspaper / Inserts
- Magazines
- Unwanted mail
- Cereal boxes (remove liner)
- Hardcover books
- Paperback books
- Telephone books
- Computer and office paper
- Shredded paper
- All other clean dry paper

Commingled Materials – 1 container

- Plastic bottles, containers, jars, tubs, lids, pails, buckets and flower pots
- Glass bottles and jars
- Bi-metal (Steel/Tin) cans
- Aluminum cans and foil products

Yard Trim – only in large paper yard waste bags – organic material only

- Grass
- Leaves
- Garden trimmings
- Brush

Questions? For further information, here are some websites:

<https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/sws/trrac/what-to-recycle.html>

Order recycling bins here:

https://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/depwebstore/itemdetail.aspx?item_id=105&subcata_log=12

You have to buy your own trash can. You can try Home Depot on Georgia Avenue or Christophers Hardware on Hwy 108 in Sandy Spring if you need one.

THANK YOU!!