

2023 Junk Pickup Days | Columbia City

The 2023 Columbia City **residential** city-wide Junk Pickup Days will be on the following dates **only**:

Week of April 17 | West side

Week of April 24 | East side

The City will be divided down the middle of Main Street (State Road 9):

- West side of the city includes any homes/subdivisions located west of Main St/State Rd 9, such as Heritage Place/Chesapeake Landing, Wilkswood, Wood Dale, Deer Chase, etc. (within city limits).
- East side of City includes any homes/subdivisions located east of Main St/State Rd 9, such as Eagle Glen, Irish Glen, Countryside Mobile Home Park and any homes off of Hanna Street (within city limits).

All junk will be picked up where your normal trash is put out for pickup. **This service is only for residents who pay trash service through the City of Columbia City.** Items should not be put out prior to 2 weeks before scheduled junk pickup. **Nothing will be picked up in the alley** unless the alley is your usual weekly trash-pickup location. No exceptions will be allowed. If trash is smaller than a trash bag, please put trash in a bag or box. Please ensure that all junk is placed out by 6:00 AM on the Monday of your pickup week. Junk Pickup Days are only once per year, and one pass only. **There will be no return trips.** Additionally, **do not allow anyone to dump junk on your property** (*Ordinance 53.26*).

Call ahead to have these items picked up:

Tires (maximum of 15 total), stoves, washers, dryers, water heaters, dishwashers, refrigerators, air conditioners, freezers, batteries & other appliances. However, you **must call City Hall at 260-248-5100 by April 25, 2023** in order to have these items picked up. These items must be out at 6:00 AM on May 2nd and will be picked up throughout that week. If you fail to follow this procedure, these items will not be picked up and you will be responsible for disposal.

Acceptable Items:

For the safety of the drivers, items must be under 50 lbs. or taken apart into sections under 50 lbs.

- Mattresses - Must be wrapped in plastic. We suggest mattress bags (available at moving stores) or plastic painting drop cloths sealed (available at department stores) with duct tape.
- Box Springs - Must be wrapped in plastic. We suggest mattress bags or plastic painting drop cloths sealed with duct tape.
- Bed Frames - If upholstered, must be wrapped in plastic. We suggest mattress bags or plastic painting drop cloths sealed with duct tape.
- Indoor Furniture - If upholstered, must be wrapped in plastic. We suggest mattress bags or plastic painting drop cloths sealed with duct tape.
- Carpet/Padding - Must be rolled & tied with tape or strung into bundles no longer than 4 feet & no heavier than 50 lbs.
- Cardboard Boxes - Must be flattened & tied into bundles no longer than 4 feet & no heavier than 50 lbs.
- Grills - Gas grills must have fuel tank removed prior to disposal.
- Lawn Mowers - Must be drained of all oil & gas. Riding Mowers are **not** accepted.
- Storm Doors - Must have glass removed & placed in a hard container or small box, taped well, & marked "broken glass".

- Interior Doors
- Windows - Must have glass removed & placed in a hard container or small box, taped well, & marked "broken glass". Must be less than 50 lbs. of glass per window/box.
- Swing Set - Must be cut into 4-foot sections.
- Exercise Equipment - Must be cut into 4-foot sections.
- Outdoor Furniture
- Sinks
- Toilets - Must be empty & the tank must be detached from the bowl.
- Bathtubs - No larger than 4-foot sections.
- Shower Enclosures - No heavier than 50-lb sections.
- Pool Filters
- Pool Liners or Panels - Bundled in sections no longer than 4 feet & no heavier than 50 lbs.
- Artificial Christmas Trees - Must be cut in half if taller than four feet.
- Open and **dried** paint cans

Unacceptable Items:

- Electronic items – Televisions, computers (including desktops, laptops, tablets), computer monitors, digital media players, DVD players, gaming systems, DVR/TiVo devices (including cable boxes), fax machines, etc.
 - You can take the above items to the Recycle Center at 701 S. Line Street. 260-248-3132
- Any Freon-containing item (refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners, etc.)
- Hazardous waste
- Tires
- Pesticides/Insecticides and similar substances
- Hot Tubs
- Pianos
- Manure
- Oil and Gas
- Propane Tanks
- Antifreeze
- Concrete & cement or any item attached to concrete or cement
- Gravel, dirt, sod, rock, bricks, or stones
- Tree stumps
- Automotive parts
- Riding lawn mowers
- Roofing shingles
- Wet/unsolidified paint is not accepted at all, either as bulk or regular trash

Anyone tearing down buildings such as sheds, garages, or remodeling large areas should privately contract with a hauler for a “roll-off” dumpster.

Please help us by following these guidelines. Your cooperation will make this year's Junk Pickup Days a success. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the mayor's office at 260-248-5111.