

## CURBSIDE CLEANUP'S COMING

Prepare for your Cleanup day by setting your materials at the curb **before 7 a.m.** Trucks only pass by once. Large appliances and brush are collected for recycling in separate trucks and any remaining items are collected and taken to a landfill.

Eligible Bloomington residents will see a "Citywide Curbside Cleanup" charge on their utility bills. At an annual cost of \$53.04 for residents, this program is a bargain. (Disposing one mattress with the bulk pickup program costs \$52.02.)

Remember to box small items or bundle them with twine. NO plastic bags are accepted. Do not set out reusable containers that you do not want collected by the haulers.

Limited assistance is available on a first-come, first-served basis for seniors or residents with disabilities who need help moving items to the curb. Inquire about assistance at least two weeks prior to your pickup day by calling Maintenance at 952-563-8760.

The City will consider more environmentally efficient ways to handle bulky items in the future.



### 2020 CURBSIDE CLEANUP SCHEDULE

- **April 4** — East of Portland Avenue (Monday garbage and recycling day).
- **April 11** — Portland Avenue to Penn Avenue (Tuesday garbage and recycling day).
- **April 18** — Penn Avenue to France Avenue (Wednesday garbage and recycling day).
- **April 25** — France Avenue to Normandale Boulevard (Thursday garbage and recycling day).
- **May 2** — West of Normandale Boulevard (Friday garbage and recycling day).

### WHAT'S ACCEPTED AT THE CURB

- **Unusable general junk, household building materials, lumber, windows and doors:**

Pile size is limited to what fits in one level, standard-size pickup truck bed. Lumber must be stacked and no longer than five feet. General junk must be boxed or bundled with twine and must weigh less than 100 pounds per box or bundle.

- **Carpet and pads:** Roll and securely tie with twine. Keep under five feet in length and one foot in diameter.

- **Appliances:** Limit of two appliances per house. Water heaters and softeners, microwaves, washers, dryers, stoves, air conditioners, dehumidifiers, freezers, dishwashers, trash compactors, garbage disposals, water coolers, refrigerators (remove door or tie securely shut). Do not set out until the morning of your pickup date.

- **Unusable furniture:** Limited to two items. Tie down or disassemble hide-a-way sofa beds so they cannot open when handled.

- **Bundled brush:** Branches must be smaller than three inches in diameter and five feet in length, tied with twine and put in bundles that should be light enough for one person to carry. Bundled brush piles must be no more than what can fit in a standard pickup truck bed.

- **Mattresses or box springs.** Limited to two items.

- **Large metal ONLY:** Large scrap metal items that do not fit in the trunk of a car (bikes, grills, lawn mowers, snow blowers, swing sets, treadmills, etc.) Drain all fluids and remove tires. Take smaller items to the South Hennepin Recycling and Problem Waste Drop-Off Center, 1400 West 96th Street.

### WHAT'S NOT ACCEPTED AT THE CURB

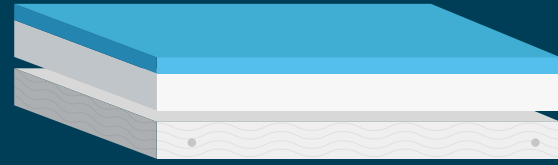
- **Loose cardboard.** While we understand residents might place small items in a box and set the box out on the curb, loose cardboard on its own is not accepted. Cardboard should be flattened and recycled.

- **Small metal.**
- **Tires, batteries.**
- **Tubs, sinks and toilets.**
- **Extra heavy and bulky items:** Pianos or organs, etc.
- **Electronic items:** Cell phones, computers, stereos, printers and TVs.
- **Hazardous waste:** Fluorescent tubes, motor oil, paint, propane, solvents and other household chemicals.
- **Miscellaneous building items:** Contractor materials, bricks, concrete, railroad ties, shingles (asbestos) or treated wood.
- **Organic materials:** Food waste, grass clippings, leaves, logs, sod and stumps.
- **Recyclable materials:** Boxboard, cans, loose cardboard, glass, corrugated cardboard, newspapers and plastic bottles.



## CURBSIDE PILE ITEM LIMITS

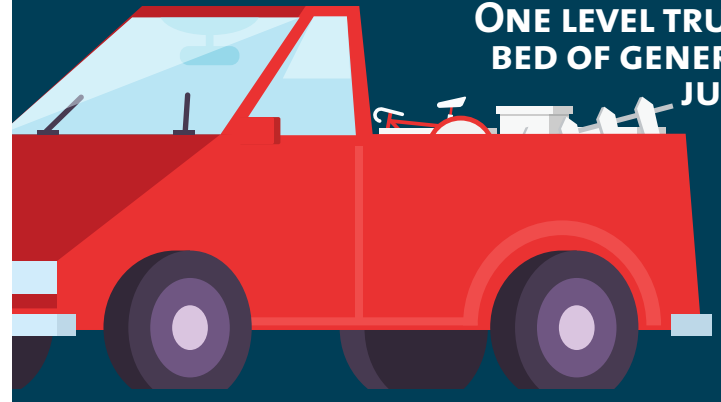
**TWO MATTRESSES OR BOX SPRINGS**



**TWO PIECES OF FURNITURE**



**ONE LEVEL TRUCK BED OF GENERAL JUNK**



### FOLLOW QUANTITY LIMITS

Quantity and size limits on accepted items are strictly enforced. This helps to keep program costs low. *See the item quantity and size limits listed above.* Items surpassing specified limits will not be picked up and will remain on the curb; residents will need to arrange for bulk material disposal. Excess materials could increase your costs.

### DONATE OR RECYCLE ITEMS FIRST

During 2019 Curbside Cleanup, nearly 35% of the items set on the curb could have been recycled or reused, according to a field audit of more than 2,000 curb piles.

Help reduce the amount of material sent to the landfill by donating and recycling reusable items instead of placing them out for collection.

To see a full list of organizations where you can donate or recycle your items, visit [blm.mn/donate](http://blm.mn/donate).

### REFRIGERATOR RECYCLING AVAILABLE

Have an old fridge in your basement or garage that still works? If you are a residential Xcel Energy customer, you can sign up for refrigerator recycling. Xcel Energy will take away your refrigerator for free and give you a \$50 rebate. To make an appointment for your free pickup, call 800-599-5795 or visit [blm.mn/fridge](http://blm.mn/fridge).

### FOR MORE CURBSIDE CLEANUP INFORMATION

For more information about Curbside Cleanup, visit [blm.mn/curbside](http://blm.mn/curbside) or call 952-563-8760. Want to report illegal dumping or people making a mess of piles? Call 911.

To find more tips about the proper disposal of items not accepted at the curb, visit the Hennepin County Green Disposal Guide at [blm.mn/green-dispose](http://blm.mn/green-dispose) or call 612-348-3777.

### BUILDING MATERIAL REUSE DAYS

Instead of disposing of usable building materials on your Curbside Cleanup Day, when they are collected as garbage, consider taking them to a City-sponsored, usable building materials donation event. It's an opportunity to donate to nonprofits that specialize in reuse and resale of usable building materials. Plumbing fixtures, cabinetry, countertops, doors, flooring, hardware and light fixtures are examples of items you can bring. The events will be Friday, April 17, 4:30 – 6:30 p.m., and Saturday, April 18, 9 – 11 a.m., at the Western Maintenance Yard, 10540 Hampshire Avenue South. For more information, call 952-563-8760. For information on event cancellations, visit [blm.mn/COVID-info](http://blm.mn/COVID-info).