

Nampa



# Recycling and Trash Handbook

Your guide to Nampa's recycling and trash program



Sustainability in Action

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### Cart sizes



48-gallon



65-gallon



95-gallon

# Trash Collection Guidelines

- **Residential trash rates in Nampa are determined by trash cart size.** Three cart sizes are available: 48-gallon, 65-gallon and 95-gallon.
- All trash must be placed in the 48- and 65-gallon carts with limited service.
- Unlimited service customers with 95-gallon trash carts must fill the cart before placing additional waste in 32-gallon trash cans. Extra trash carts are available for a small monthly fee.
- Bags of trash are not accepted outside of the trash cart (except during the two Free Cleanup Weeks).
- Cart lids must be closed with trash contained inside the cart.
- Do not pack trash in the carts so it becomes stuck and will not fall out.
- Do not place hot ashes into the cart or set cart near sources of heat (furnace, fireplace, grill).
- Needles, lancets and other sharps must be placed inside a sealed, rigid plastic or metal container if disposing in your trash cart.
- Tied bundles of tree limbs, carpet, linoleum, and other wastes must be 4' or shorter in length, weigh 30lbs. or less, and be 18" or smaller in diameter. A maximum of four rolls per week will be accepted.

- Do not put liquids, tires or household hazardous waste in your cart.
- Carts should be left at the home if you move.

## Free Cleanup Weeks

Nampa residents can get rid of bulk items and non-Freon® appliances for free during the City's unlimited collection weeks: Spring Cleanup (the third full week of April each year) and Holiday Cleanup (the first full week after Christmas each year). All households, regardless of service level, may participate in the free cleanup weeks. Collection will occur on your scheduled service day. Waste in carts, trash cans, tied bundles, and tied plastic bags will be collected. Email Republic Services® ([csidaho@RepublicServices.com](mailto:csidaho@RepublicServices.com)) or call **208.345.1265** to schedule large items.





## Large Item Collection

Appliance, furniture and other large item collection is available year-round for an additional fee. Large items (not fitting in your trash cart) must be scheduled ahead of time. Make sure they are outside and visible to the driver on trash day for removal. These items include:

- **Furniture:** couch, chair, dresser, bed frame, mattress/box spring, etc.
- **Appliances:** refrigerator, freezer, air conditioner, dishwasher, hot water heater, etc. Appliances must be empty. After the items are collected, Freon® is safely removed (if present) and appliances are recycled.
- **Miscellaneous:** bicycle, swing set, carpet/pad, grill, lawnmower, water softener, furnace, swamp cooler, etc.

## Carry-Out Service

Curbside carry-out service is available in Nampa for a monthly fee. Carts must be visible and accessible to the driver from the street. Common carry-out locations include a next-to-yard gate, garage door or side of the house. Republic Services will retrieve, empty and return the carts for carry-out service customers. Carts cannot be inside structures, behind fences or in areas where animals are present. Customers requesting this service must sign a carry-out agreement.

## Service for People with Disabilities

Customers who have qualified for temporary or permanent disabilities under the Americans with Disabilities Act may receive free carry-out service.

## Senior Discounts

Nampa offers a discounted monthly fee to seniors (65 and older).

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To arrange a pickup, call Republic Services at **208.345.1265** or email **[csidaho@RepublicServices.com](mailto:csidaho@RepublicServices.com)**.





# No sorting. No sweat.

Have you heard that blue is the new green? Nampa's no-sort carts make recycling easier than ever. Make sure recyclables are empty, clean and dry before throwing them loose in the recycling cart.

# Recycling Guidelines

Recycling is included in residential solid waste service. Every household is provided a blue recycling cart for every-other-week collection. Residents may choose the recycling cart size that best meets their needs. Extra recycling carts are available for a small monthly fee.

## Recycling List

### Items Accepted (no sorting)

- **Aluminum and Steel/Tin Cans:** labels okay, must be empty, clean and dry
- **Corrugated Cardboard:** flatten or cut boxes so they fit completely inside the recycling cart. Overflow cardboard may be flattened and stacked next to the recycling cart for collection.
- **Mixed Paper:** newspaper, magazines, junk mail, office paper, dry food/dry goods boxes, paper bags, packing paper, phone books, etc.
- **Plastics:** household plastic bottles and jugs with a number 1 or 2 on the bottom (i.e. plastic milk, juice, soda and detergent jugs)

### Items Not Accepted in Your Recycling Cart

- ✗ No glass
- ✗ No polystyrene foam
- ✗ No loose plastic bags
- ✗ No wax or foil-lined paper-based milk or juice cartons
- ✗ No empty hazardous waste or pesticide containers
- ✗ No hardbound books
- ✗ No paper plates, cups, towels, napkins, tissue, diapers or toilet paper
- ✗ No yard waste

### Recycling Accepted Outside your Cart

#### USED MOTOR OIL

- Recycle up to 2 gallons per household per week
- DO NOT mix oil with other fluids, like gasoline or antifreeze
- Use a non-returnable, transparent plastic container
- Set container next to (not inside) your carts
- Label container "Used Motor Oil"

### Glass Recycling at the Republic Services Office in Nampa



3015 E Comstock Avenue,  
off Kings Road

#### Hours:

Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

- Glass bottles and jars only accepted (remove lids, caps and corks)
- No glass or porcelain dishes, ceramics, windows, shower doors, light bulbs or fish tanks.
- Nampa glass will be crushed into cullet and used to make fiberglass insulation

# Recycling Centers

Recycling centers vary in the types of materials they take. For more information about what materials are accepted at specific centers, please call in advance.

## **WESTERN RECYCLING**

2520 Sundance Road  
Nampa, ID 83651

**Hours:** Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
**208.466.9504**

## **IDAHO RECYCLING AND SALVAGE**

3900 Garrity Boulevard  
Nampa, ID 83687  
**208.365.5289**

## **PACIFIC STEEL AND RECYCLING**

2400 11th Avenue North  
Nampa, ID 83687

**Hours:** Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
Saturday, 8 a.m. - noon  
**208.466.1105**







# Be safe with household hazardous waste (HHW)

Products used for cleaning, home improvements, automobile maintenance and lawn and garden care contain ingredients that can harm human health and the environment. Properly disposing of these hazardous “harm to human” products will keep our community safe and clean.



# Identifying Hazardous Waste

Items such as solvents, paint/stain/varnish, yard/garden products (including pesticides and herbicides), batteries, automotive products (including oil), fluorescent light tubes and bulbs, TVs and computer monitors are considered hazardous waste.

If something is hazardous, the label will contain one of these words: Caution, Danger, Poison, Warning, Corrosive, Flammable, Explosive, Oxidizer, Irritant, Environmental Hazard.

If the label contains one or more of these words, it is hazardous and is accepted at the disposal sites listed. **Do not throw hazardous waste in your trash or recycling cart.**

## Needles, Sharps and Syringes

Follow these simple steps for safe disposal of sharps:

- Purchase a sharps container or use a hard plastic (e.g. laundry detergent) or metal (e.g. coffee can) container.
- Using permanent marker, label container, **"USED HOUSEHOLD SHARPS: DO NOT RECYCLE."**
- Place sharps point-first into container.
- Keep lid on at all times to prevent spills and decrease needle stick hazards.
- Fill container as much as possible with sharps, and then fill with sand or kitty litter. You must be able to close container lid.
- When full, cap container with lid, and secure with duct tape.
- Place in trash cart.

## DON'T!

- ✗ Put loose sharps in the trash.
- ✗ Flush used needles or medicines down the toilet.
- ✗ Place sharps in recycling carts.

## Medication Disposal

Residents can drop off unwanted medicines and old prescriptions at area law enforcement offices.

- Liquid medicines must be in the original container and sealed in a plastic bag.
- Do not dispose of medicines from a business.
- Sharps, needles, aerosol cans, infectious or bloody wastes, thermometers or hydrogen peroxide are NOT accepted.

Canyon County offers **FREE** quarterly household hazardous waste disposal collection events. For more information on dates, locations and times, please visit: [Canyonco.org/elected-officials/commissioners/solid-waste](https://canyonco.org/elected-officials/commissioners/solid-waste).





# Your wheeled carts

Wheeled recycle and trash carts make getting your materials to the curb easy. They are also an important part of automated collection. In order for trucks to grab and dump your carts, you need to follow a few basic rules when placing your carts against the curb or along the alley.

## Cart Placement

- Set carts out by 7 a.m. on collection day. Remove carts from street within 24 hours.
- Place wheeled carts in the street with the wheels against the curb and handle facing the house.
- Do not block the sidewalk with carts.

### 3-Foot Rule

Keep carts at least 3 feet away from other carts, mailboxes, fire hydrants, low-hanging trees or shrubs, parked cars and utility poles, so trucks can easily access the cart.

### Weight Limits

Your carts cannot be picked up if they exceed the following weight limits:

**48-gallon cart:** 168 lbs.

**65-gallon cart:** 200 lbs.

**95-gallon cart:** 335 lbs.

**NOTE:** Sod, rocks, concrete, or bricks can overload the cart and cause damage. Carts containing these materials will not be serviced.

### Additional Carts

Residents can order extra 95-gallon trash carts. If you want additional recycling or trash carts, call [208.466.3302](tel:208.466.3302).

### Cart Exchange Policy

To exchange or replace damaged carts contact Republic Services at [csidaho@RepublicServices.com](mailto:csidaho@RepublicServices.com) or [208.345.1265](tel:208.345.1265). Exchange fees may apply.

### Damaged or Broken Carts

Damaged or broken carts are repaired or replaced for free.

### Cart Cleaning

Customers are responsible for keeping carts clean. Rinse carts by placing them on the side on a lawn and spraying the inside with a strong spray of water. Let dry with the lid open.



# Contact Us

## More Information

### Recycling and Trash Service Questions

For trash and recycling service questions, contact Republic Services at **208.345.1265**, [csidaho@RepublicServices.com](mailto:csidaho@RepublicServices.com) or visit [RepublicServices.com/municipality/nampa-id](https://RepublicServices.com/municipality/nampa-id).

### Starting, Stopping, and Changing Cart Service

To start or stop residential recycling or trash services, contact Nampa Utility Billing at **208.468.5711** or email [utility@cityofnampa.us](mailto:utility@cityofnampa.us).





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