Guam Rolls Out

Cleaner and Greener

Your New Trash Collection Service Plus, tips for recycling and reducing waste

Your trash collection day:



Guam Solid Waste Management Division www.guamsolidwastereceiver.org





Introducing your new trash collection service and cart

Thank you for registering for weekly trash collection service from the Solid Waste Management Division. And thank you for helping Guam become cleaner and greener!

In about a week, a Solid Waste Management Division crew will deliver to your residence a new 95-gallon rolling cart.

Beginning the week after you receive your cart, place your bagged trash in the cart and roll it to the curb or set-out location 12 hours before your collection day. Please remove it no later than 12 hours after collection.

With your covered cart, there is no longer a need for cages or platforms for your trash containers. Please remove them.

Your cart will come with handling instructions. It will be covered to keep trash odors in and animals out. It also will have a wide handle as well as a foot tilt area to make it easy to move around. Since your cart will be lifted by a mechanical device on the collection truck, there will be less risk of injury for collection crews.

Important information about your cart

Your trash cart is the property of the Solid Waste Management Division. If you move or discontinue collection service, the cart must be returned to the Solid Waste Management Division. Please call Customer Service at **671-646-3111** to arrange for pick up.



Together, we can keep Guam beautiful, clean and green!

PLEASE FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS BELOW:

What goes in your cart

Household trash only – For example, consumer packaging, soiled paper, rags, paper towels, tissues, chicken and meat bones. Be sure to bag all trash before putting it in your cart! Loose trash is more difficult to collect. There is no need to line the cart. Only household trash that is contained in your cart will be collected. We will no longer pick up trash in cages or on platforms.

If you have excess trash

During holidays and special occasions, you may have more trash than usual. When you register for trash collection service, you will receive four FREE trash tags to put on bags of extra trash that won't fit in your cart. Collectors will pick up these trash bags as long as they have trash tags. If you need more trash tags, you can purchase them at any Solid Waste Management Division staffed facility. *Any bag of trash left outside the cart without this tag will not be collected.*

Some things DO NOT go in your cart

In order to extend the life of the Ordot Dump while the new landfill is being built, the items listed on the next page are now banned from disposal in your cart. *Collectors will not take these banned items*.





Bag household trash before placing it in your trash cart. Up to three full 30-gallon trash bags will fit.



Trash bags left outside the cart need a trash tag.

BANNED FROM TRASH COLLECTION	WHAT TO DO	MORE INFORMATION
Bricks, concrete, and drywall	Take this waste to Northern Hardfill / Primo Heavy Equipment	Location: Yigo (Rt. 15 – Backroad to Andersen AFB), Tamuning Hours: 8 am – noon, 1 pm – 5 pm, Monday – Saturday Charges disposal fee. Phone: 687-3709
Cardboard	Recycle it!	Take cardboard and cardboard boxes to the recycling convenience centers at the Agat, Malojloj and Dededo Transfer Stations, at the Ordot Dump, or to Mr. Rubbishman.
		Dededo, Maljloj and Agat Transfer Stations Hours: 9 am – 5 pm, Thursday – Monday
Fac		Ordot Dump Hours: 7 am – 3 pm, Monday – Saturday
O NOT BENOI		Mr. Rubbishman (Guahan Waste Recycling): Harmon Industrial Park Hours: 8 am – 5 pm, Monday – Friday Phone: 649-5183
Grass clippings	Grasscycle or compost	Leave clippings on the lawn when you mow, or compost them.
	them!	Visit: www.guamsolidwastereceiver.org/ gswm-yardwaste.shtml
Prunings, wood, and other	Compost prunings or take vegeta- tive waste to Northern Hardfill / Primo Heavy Equipment	Location: Yigo (Rt. 15 - Backroad to Andersen AFB), Tamuning
yard waste		Hours: 8 am - noon, 1 pm - 5 pm, Monday - Saturday Charges disposal fee. Green waste and wood waste are ground into mulch. Phone: 687-3709
Rocks, dirt, and sand	Take this waste to Northern Hardfill / Primo Heavy Equipment	Location: Yigo (Rt. 15 – Backroad to Andersen AFB), Tamuning Hours: 8 am – noon, 1 pm – 5 pm, Monday – Saturday Charges disposal fee. Phone: 687-3709

Hazardous materials



TOO DANGEROUS FOR THE TRASH AND THE ORDOT DUMP	WHAT TO DO	MORE INFORMATION
Household hazardous waste (batteries, paint, pesticides, fluorescent light bulbs, antifreeze, etc.)	Dispose properly!	For a list of businesses that accept these and other household items, see Guam EPA's Recycling Guide: node.guamepa.net/education/household.html Future services! Household hazardous waste collection sites.



Recycle or compost these items



How to Shrink Your Trash



Grass clippings are now banned from trash collection. Grasscycling reduces waste and can improve your lawn.



You can compost yard trimmings in a simple pile or wooden corral.



If you add vegetative kitchen scraps to your pile, it's best to contain your pile in a covered compost bin to deter animals.

Waste reduction and recycling tips

The best way to reduce your trash plus save valuable space at the Ordot Dump and help the environment is not to create waste in the first place! Here are several ways you can minimize waste at home.

1. Prevent waste in your yard

Grass and yard trimmings make up about 40 percent of Guam's waste at the Ordot Dump. But these materials can be recycled right in your yard by grasscycling and composting.

Grasscycling

- Just leave the grass clippings on your lawn when you mow!
 Grasscycling helps create a healthier and more durable lawn, you save money on fertilizers, and bags of grass clippings won't end up in the Ordot Dump.
- Grasscycling returns important nutrients to the soil, holds moisture, and inhibits weed growth.
- Research shows that grasscycling does not cause thatch.
- Mow often enough so grass clippings are one inch or less. Always mow when the grass is dry so clippings won't form clumps. And be sure to keep your mower blades sharp.
- For more information about grasscycling, please visit www.guamsolidwastereceiver.org/gswm-yardwaste.shtml.

Composting

- Composting is a natural process that turns leaves, grass clippings, prunings, and vegetative kitchen scraps into a dark, rich and crumbly substance called humus, an excellent soil supplement. Why send these yard trimmings to the Ordot Dump when they can improve your yard?
- Just build a good base by placing 6 to 8 inches of twigs or brush on the ground or at the bottom of a compost bin.
- Add leaves, grass clippings, chopped brush, and other yard trimmings to the pile, moistening them as you mix them in.
- If you add vegetative kitchen scraps to your pile, it is best to contain your pile in a covered compost bin to deter animals.
- Make a concave indentation in the center for rainwater. Yard trimmings compost faster if you occasionally stir the pile.
- In about 6 to 12 months, your compost should be ready to use as a mulch for trees, shrubs or garden beds, mix into the soil, or add to your potting mix for container plants.
- For more information about composting, please visit: www.guamsolidwastereceiver.org/gswm-yardwaste.shtml.

2. Prevent waste with reuse

- · Reuse writing paper and envelopes as scrap paper.
- · Write on both sides of the paper before tossing it out.
- · Reuse grocery bags several times.
- Use washed plastic jars, coffee cans, dairy tubs, and other containers for storing small items.
- Donate unwanted furniture and other items to Goodwill Industries Guam and other nonprofit agencies.

3. Prevent waste when you shop

- · Buy items in bulk or buy concentrates to reduce packaging.
- · Limit your purchases of disposable items.
- Buy products made with recycled content. This supports markets for your recycled items.
- Bring your own reusable bags when shopping; decline bags for small purchases.
- · Shop at yard sales or secondhand stores.
- · Buy food and other items with little to no packaging.

4. Prevent waste at home

- · Rent, share, or borrow items you don't use often.
- · Repair broken items instead of throwing them away.
- · Donate usable clothing and furniture to a local charity.
- Limit unsolicited mail by registering with the DirectMail.com National Do Not Mail List.

5. Recycle your glass containers and cardboard

- The recycling convenience centers at the Dededo, Malojloj and Agat Transfer Stations and the Ordot Dump accept your glass containers (clear, brown and green) and cardboard.
- Dededo, Malojloj and Agat Transfer Stations Thursday – Monday, 9 am to 5 pm
- Ordot Dump Monday – Saturday, 7 am to 3 pm

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FUTURE SERVICES

Bulky waste collection by appointment

You will soon be able to arrange for an appointment for curbside collection of furniture and white goods (appliances such as washing machines, stoves, dishwashers, refrigerators, hot water tanks, etc.). As a customer of the Solid Waste Management Division, you may request two FREE pickups each year. There will be a charge for additional pickups.

Household hazardous waste collection sites

FREE: You will soon be able to take batteries, anti-freeze, used motor oil, and other household toxics to a facility that will take and properly dispose and recycle these items.







If you need another cart

Before you decide that you need a second cart, we suggest trying to manage for a month or two with your 95-gallon cart. If you find you need a second cart for weekly collection, please call Customer Service at the Solid Waste Management Division to request delivery of a second cart. There will be an extra monthly charge for a second cart.

Solid Waste Management Division Customer Service

671-646-3111

Hours: 8 am - 5 pm, Monday - Friday Closed on holidays

What to do with your old trash cans

Use your old trash cans to collect glass and cardboard for recycling. Or if you have excess trash, you can put the trash bags (with excess bag stickers) in your old trash cans and set them out on collection day.

2009-2010 Fees

Weekly collection:

One 95-gallon cart – \$ 30 per month
Two 95-gallon carts – Please see
www.guamsolidwastereceiver.org for the fee
schedule or call Customer Service (671-646-3111)

Trash Tags – Four FREE stickers with registration; nominal fee for additional stickers.

Payment options

You can pay for collection services:

- In person, at any office of the Solid Waste Management Division
- By mail, to the Solid Waste Management Division 542 North Marine Corps Drive Tumon, Guam 96913

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