Residential Solid Waste Management

Residential - Unincorporated

Seminole County provides collection, recycling and disposal services for residential solid waste on behalf of residential communities throughout the unincorporated area of the county. Collection and recycle services are provided through contracted service providers. Disposal services are provided at facilities owned and operated by Seminole County.

Assessment Funded

These residential solid waste management services are funded by assessments collected annually via property tax bills. Assessment is based on the number of dwellings on a property and the cost to provide collection and disposal services. The assessment is not based on occupancy. The assessment is billed in advance of the service calendar year.

Collection Service Options

Two collection service options are available. The options vary by services included and cost. Property owners are encouraged to select the option that best meets their needs. The service option on record continues year to year unless a change is requested by the property owner. Confirmation of the service option on record for a property is communicated to the owner each year via the mailed Notice of Non-Ad Valorem Assessment. Online inquiry of option on record is also available via MY RESIDENT lookup at the county website.

Program Management

The Solid Waste Management Division of the Department of Environmental Services manages the collection service contracts and the disposal facilities. This Division monitors the collection services and provides customer service for day-to-day activity associated with collection and disposal. The MSBU Program of the Department of Resource Management facilitates the financial management of these services, including the levy of assessments and service option record management.

New Owners or New Homes

New owners of existing homes assume the prior owners service option. New houses are assigned Option 1 when the building permit is issued. Collection services begin when the construction is completed and a certificate of occupancy is issued. Option changes may be requested and are processed per standard procedures.

Other MSBU Opportunities

- Sharps Container Disposal
- Area Ordinance
- Urban Bear Management
- Disposal Facility Questions
- Report Service Problem
- Recycling Facility Questions
- Report Service Information
- Service Option Change
- On-Line Self-Service Available
- Other MSBU Opportunities
- Assisted Collection
- Reports
- On-Line Self-Service
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- Recycle Bin Request
- Collection Days
- Change of Address
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- Environmental Complaint
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Residential Solid Waste Management Collection & Disposal Services 2018 - 2019

Collection Service Options & Rates

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Service Option Changes

Property owners may request Service Option changes online or by contacting the MSBU Program. A written confirmation of an option change is mailed to the property owner. Requests for service option changes are accepted year-round with the following conditions:

1. Service upgrades (higher cost) are processed immediately throughout the year. Upgrade charges are collected on the next available property tax bill.

2. Service option downgrades (lower cost) are coordinated with the annual property tax bill. Option change requests must be received by August 15 to be included on the property tax bill and effective with the next service year. Requests received after the deadline will be held for processing in the following year.

Assessment Cost Components

- Collection Services: 4%
- Disposal Services: 21%
- Administration: 75%

Report Illegal Dumping: 407-665-6600 Sheriff (non-emergency)
Environmental Complaint: 407-665-2260
Prescription Drug Disposal:
http://semimolepreventioncoalition.org/pitchyourpills/
Wildlife (Bear Information): 850-488-4676 or http://myfwc.com
Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission
Change of Address: 407-665-7506 (Property Appraiser)
Collection Days
Collection days are designated for each area of the county. Dependent on route schedule, household garbage is collected either Monday & Thursday or Tuesday & Friday. Yard Waste collection is Wednesday for customers with Option 1. Recycling collection day varies throughout the County. Online My Resident look-up information offers property specific collection day details.

Collection Time & Location
Collections may occur anytime between 6 a.m. & 8 p.m. All items placed for collection need to be within 6 feet of the curbside or at the designated collection point by 6 a.m. on collection day.

Urban Bear Management Ordinance
Is your home located west of I-4? If yes, with the exception of designated collection times on your collection days, household refuse must be secured (indoors or in a bear-resistant container) at all times. Refuse containers may be placed curbside after 5:00 a.m. on collection days. Authorized bear-resistant containers are not collected curbside. For proper disposal for these items, refer to the special disposal requirements below for each disposal facility.

Household Garbage
An unlimited amount of household garbage may be placed for collection in garbage cans or bags. The following conditions must be met for household waste to be collected:
- Cans have lids and handles
- Container does not exceed 50 gallons in size or 50 pounds in weight

Recycle
Recycling helps protect the environment, conserves materials, saves energy and reduces the amount of garbage in landfills. An unlimited amount of approved recycle items may be placed for collection. Recycle bins are provided by the County and items must be placed within the bins. Please rinse all containers and discard lids in household garbage.

Approved items collected weekly:
- aluminum/steel/tin household cans (such as food/drink cans)
- glass bottles/jars (clear, green or brown) without lids
- pastebase (such as paper towels/toilet rolls, etc., or cereal, soda, beer, tissue, gift, and pizza boxes)
- corrugated cardboard (flattened and cut to 3’ x 3’ or smaller pieces)
- magazines/catalogs
- newspapers & supplements
- brown paper bags (no wax/ wet strength material or liners)
- phone books
- box board
- carrier stick
- white/colored paper
- plastic containers #1-7 (# is on bottom of container) with lids removed

Items not collected curbside for Recycle:
- Plastic cups/bags, wax lined paper cups/plates, drinking glassware, Styrofoam trays/leg carts, light bulbs, shredded paper, aluminum foil grape plates, paint/pesticide/motor oil containers, and cardboard larger than 3’ x 3’.

On-Call Collection Services
On-call collection services may be available for large items such as bicycles, furniture, furnaces, lawn equipment/mowers, white goods (large appliances) and materials from minor household repairs/remodeling projects. Be sure to call in advance to confirm item is eligible for special collection and to schedule a collection date.

Excluded Items
While most household solid waste items are eligible for curbside collection, there are exceptions that require special handling. The following Household hazardous waste [HHW], construction & demolition materials, electronics, petroleum products (gasoline/oil), tires, and Sharps containers are not collected curbide. For proper disposal for these items, refer to the special disposal requirements below for each disposal facility.

Yard Waste
Vegetation such as tree branches, grass clippings and palm fronds are collected once a week on Wednesday. There is a weekly limit of 15 containers - any combination of bags, cans or tied bundles. The following conditions must be met for yard waste to be collected:
- Material is in container (bags or can) or tied bundles
- Each container or tied bundle does not exceed 50 gallons in size or 50 pounds in weight
- Bundles do not exceed 4 feet in length
- Branches do not exceed 4 inches in diameter
- Property has service Option 1

Wheelbarrows, buckets & recycle bins are not accepted containers for household garbage or yard waste collection!

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Disposal Services and Locations
Seminole County operates two disposal facilities that are open to the public – the Central Transfer Station and the County Landfill. Both locations accept residential solid waste that is typically collected curbide. Each location also offers special disposal programs and restrictions that may apply to certain items. As each facility may accept specific items – “know before you go” is encouraged.

Central Transfer Station
1950 State Road 419, Longwood, FL 32750
Open 7:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. Monday - Saturday

The following items are accepted from Seminole County households/residents for disposal without charge: (Commercial (business) disposal of these items is accepted upon payment of disposal fee.)
- Corrugated Cardboard Recycling - Clean only!
- E-Scrap – End-of-life electronics such as computer components and televisions.
- Household Hazardous Waste [HHW] includes:
  - Aerosols * Antifreeze * Automotive batteries
  - Batteries (rechargeable) * Fluorescent bulbs
  - Gasoline * Motor oil used
  - Oil Filters (used)
  - Pesticides * Poisons * Propane tanks
  - Pool/Lawn chemicals
  - Solvents/Thinners
  - Thermostats & Thermometers (mercury)
- All containers must be in good condition with CONTENTS CLEARLY LABELED.

Waste Tire Disposal
The charge for residential tire disposal at the Landfill is $1 per tire (up to 10 tires) and $100 per ton for quantities >10. Tire disposal at the Central Transfer Station is limited today to $1 per tire. Free tire disposal (limit 5 tires per household and max 10 per vehicle) will be offered from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on October 20 (2018), April 20 (2019) & October 19 (2019).

Sharps Program
SHARPS CONTAINERS for disposal of needles, syringes, lancets, razors and other sharp objects can be obtained and disposed at County disposal facilities, any Seminole County! City Fire Station, and several other locations. Check online or call for more details.

County Landfill
1930 East Osceola Road, Geneva, FL 32732
Open 7:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m., 7 days a week

The following items are accepted from private Seminole County households/residents.
- Automotive batteries*
- Motor oil used & oil filters (used)*
- Construction & Demolition Debris – such as asphalt, brick, concrete, fencing, steel, glass, lumber, pipe/conduit, roofing materials, wallboard, wiring, etc.
- Propane tanks
- Vegetation from tree removal or land clearing (such as large stumps, branches, etc)

For more information about residential solid waste services:
Solid Waste Management Division: www.seminolecountyfl.gov/envsrvs/solidwaste
E-mail: swcustomerservice@seminolecountyfl.gov
(407) 665-2260