



Garbage/Recycle Changes for the Residents of the City of Perry

The City of Perry would like to announce some changes to the collection of garbage and recycle. Those changes are as follows:

Garbage Changes:

- **Effective August 6, 2018**, residential garbage collection procedures will change. The current 4 bag allowance collection system will be replaced with a 95-gallon container (provided by the City of Perry to each resident, except residents in Bar-Jac).
- There is no cost to the resident for the container, however the container is the property of the City of Perry and stays with the property. Each container has a serial number that is associated with each address, not the resident themselves.
- Containers will be collected from your residence weekly on the same day your garbage is collected now (except for residents in Bar-Jac who will now go to a dumpster system). Please see the attached map. (Please note: Residents on Kading Street and William Street will now be picked up on Monday.)
- There is no change in the \$19.00 monthly charge for once a week collection of the 95-gallon provided container. Any customer wishing to have an additional container must purchase it from the City of Perry for \$55.00 and will be responsible for an additional monthly charge of \$19.00 per month for once per week collection.
- If a customer feels their container is too large, they may trade it in for a 65-gallon container that is also the property of the City of Perry, however the monthly fee does not decrease. From talking with other agencies who have done this before, the 95-gallon container may seem quite large to the resident at first but we ask that you give it a try first before trading it in for a smaller container.
- Customers are responsible for the replacement of lost or stolen containers at the purchase fee set by the City of Perry.
- The new container will hold approximately (9) 13-gallon trash bags. We ask that you keep the garbage in bags, then set the bags in the container. Please do not put loose trash in the container. It may blow around when being dumped.
- Please place your new container at the front of your property, either in your driveway or at the street curb. (Some residents may receive a letter telling them to place their container in the alley due to the slope of the front yard and only those should be placed in the alley). **DO NOT** place the container in the street. Collection begins at 7:00 a.m. on collection days. Containers must be kept closed and should be placed out for collection no more than twenty-four (24) hours prior to scheduled pickup and no more than twelve (12) hours after pickup.
- Items not in the container will not be collected. Items that will not fit in the container must be collected by a special pickup at an additional fee arranged by calling City Hall at 515-465-2481.
- **NOTE: Your new 95-gallon container will be delivered to your residence beginning the week of July 30, 2018 but the new container should not be used until your new collection day beginning the week of August 6, 2018.**
- Please see the attached Helpful Tips sheet



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Recycle Changes:

- **Effective August 6, 2018**, the City of Perry will no longer collect residential recycling curbside.
- Residents may bring their recyclables to three drop-off locations around the city, (at the lot east of the Public Safety Building, at the main parking lot at the McCreary Center and on the south side of the football field parking lot).
- The 8-yard containers at these locations are only for residents who have garbage service with the City of Perry.
- The following items are accepted:

Paper Products: Newsprint, magazines, junk mail, cereal boxes, shiny inserts, paper egg cartons, twelve pack cartons, and paperback books. No waxy cardboard such as milk cartons.

Glass: No glass is accepted!!

Plastic: Rinse out and remove labels. Cans do not need to be flattened. Painted labels are acceptable. Plastic grocery bags are not accepted but can be recycled at Hy-Vee.

Metal Cans: Rinse out and remove labels. Cans do not need to be flattened. Painted labels are acceptable.

Aluminum: Foil, pie plates, etc. Need to be clean.

Corrugated: Clean with no wax coating. Cardboard should be cut in 3' x 3' pieces.

- Residents may also utilize a 4-yard container located in the lot north of the Public Safety Building for disposal of cardboard. All cardboard must be broken down into flat pieces to be accepted.
- Garbage of any kind will not be accepted and will be considered littering and you will be subject to a fine.
- Residents may keep their current blue recycle bin and use it to transport their recyclables to the new locations if they wish.
- We ask that you please have patience with us on this process. This is new for everyone, including our employees, but we know it will work out great in the end. Feel free to call City Hall with any question you may have at 515-465-2481.