CITY of LINDEN DEPARTMENT of PUBLIC WORKS 2021 Solid Waste Collection Schedule and General Guide

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PLEASE NOTE: Extreme weather conditions may delay or cancel scheduled collections

All carts must be placed at the curb by 6:00 am, then <u>PROMPTLY REMOVED</u> after collections Always refer to this schedule before placing anything at the curb. Collection days will change on weeks with Holidays. The rules, times and dates specified are governed by ordinance. Failure to comply will result in Municipal fines levied.

All City issued green (sanitation), blue (recycling), and brown (paper) carts are the <u>property of the City of Linden</u>. Removing a cart from the assigned address is punishable by law. It is the homeowner's responsibility to clean and care for the carts. We suggest writing your address on the carts with a paint marker. Do not overfill or overstuff the carts as they must be placed out with the lids closed. Any items left near the carts will not be collected by the driver. Remember to place all carts at least 3 feet from all stationary objects, including other carts.

- **S** = Sanitation (household garbage) food waste and by- products rotting waste personal hygiene by products.
- **R** = Recycling (commingled) glass and plastic bottles and jugs, aluminum and tin cans, empty aerosol cans (mix together) and place in the blue carts. Acceptable plastics are stamped R1 R6 in the recycling triangle on the bottom of the item.

Do not place items in plastic bags or mix plastic bags in the recycling or paper/ cardboard carts.

P = Newspapers, computer and school papers, wrapping paper, envelopes and junk mail, magazines, merchant catalogs, postal delivery boxes, cardboard, chipboard - beer and soda cases, cereal and snack boxes, and books (remove hard covers from books and discard) can be mixed together and placed in the brown carts. Remove all packing materials, tapes, plastic ties, plastic bags and Styrofoam to the garbage.

G = Grass – Place only mower clippings in biodegradable paper bags or open 32gallon cans.

B = Bagged Leaves - Place leaves in biodegradable paper bags or open 32gallon cans.

Sticks, branches, rocks, yard waste and other debris mixed with grass clippings or leaves will not be collected.

CT = Christmas trees - Remove stands, twine, light strings & all decorations. **H** = Holiday - DPW offices closed; No Collections

T - TRASH - bulk waste / yard waste / appliances = white goods / furniture / dried latex paints wood - (bend nails back) and metal pipes - must be cut to 4' lengths carpet - rolled and tied in 4' lengths / attic & basement junk / tree branches and brush. Remove root balls and dirt from bushes and cut into 4' lengths placed neatly at the curb or tie with twine. Gas powered landscape equipment - drain all fuel and oil. Separate metal items and put on one side of trash pile. Cardboard must be recycled and will not be collected on trash days. Vehicle tires will be collected only if you remove the rims from the tires. We do not collect: blocks - concrete - dirt - liquids - chemicals - sealers - truck tires - propane tanks

{Special trash requests **will be limited and MUST** be confirmed by this department before placing anything at the curb. Residents may drop off bulk trash items and recyclable items to the Public Works facility located at 700 Lower Rd. Hours: Monday thru Saturday from 8:00am (no earlier) – 2:00pm (no later). No contractors. No construction debris. No exceptions. Proof of Linden residency is required. Only one trash drop-off per resident – per vehicle – per week allowed.}

Leaves are permitted in the curb line from October 1st to December 17th. Grass or yard waste is never allowed in the curb line. Regular street sweeping operations are suspended during these months due to leaf collection however,

parking regulations remain in effect and are still enforced by the Linden Police Department.

Leaves are collected from the curb line on a rotating district basis. Due to varying weather conditions and leaf volume we cannot issue specific collection days to residents. Piled leaves raked into curb line must be free of dirt, rocks, sticks, branches, and other debris. Piled leaves must be kept at least 10' from storm runoff basins.

City Trees - Residents cannot cut down or trim any tree on City property. Failure to comply will result in a summons.

Also, do not hang lights / ornaments or surround the base of the tree with landscaping or decorative products.

Sewer lateral cleaning service is available for a \$100 fee Mon thru Fri, 7:00am – 3:00pm. No Weekend service available.

<u>RECYCLING CENTER INFO</u> (908) 474-9567 All recyclable items accepted at this facility Proof of Linden residency is required Located at 2 Donaldson PI - directly off of W. Elizabeth Ave. Open Mon thru Fri - 7:00am to 2:30pm. Saturday 8:00am to 2:00pm.

- * Biodegradable "paper bagged" leaves are accepted from October thru April
- * Biodegradable "paper bagged" grass clippings are accepted from April thru October
- * All white goods Washers, dryers, refrigerators & freezers (doors removed)
- * Used motor oil and oil filters * Unbroken fluorescent tubes * All metals
- * Electronics = Monitors * TV's * Computers * Laptops* Printers & Fax machines

NEW!! Download the free app <u>RECYCLE COACH</u> to get complete sanitation & recycling information right to your mobile phone. Go to Google play store or <u>www.linden-nj.org</u> for more info.

Union County provides special waste disposal for most items not collected by Linden DPW. For more info, call the Bureau of Environmental Services hotline @ (908) 654 – 9889. Accepted items: full aerosol cans, antifreeze, batteries, caustics, corrosives & cleaners, fire extinguishers, unbroken florescent bulbs, thermostats & mercury switches, motor oil & oil filters, oil-based paints – varnishes, pesticides & herbicides, pool chemicals, gasoline, solvents & thinners.

IMPORTANT NOTE – RECYCLABLE ITEMS WILL NEVER BE COLLECTED IN PLASTIC BAGS