

Mid Michigan Waste Authority



COMMUNITY connection

A monthly update from the Mid Michigan Waste Authority

January 2016

Upcoming Events

Holiday Light Recycling Drive Ends
Fri., January 15

MMWA Executive Board Mtng
MMWA Office
Thurs., Jan 28, 9:30 AM

MMWA Board of Directors Mtng
Thomas Twp Public Safety Bldg
Mon., Feb. 8, 9:30 AM

Service Reminder:

MLK Day will NOT impact MMWA collection services

The upcoming Martin Luther King Jr. Day holiday on Monday, Jan. 18 will NOT cause any delays in trash and recycling services provided to the 35 communities served by the Mid Michigan Waste Authority.

Residents should prepare and set out materials on their regularly scheduled collection day.

The list of holidays that do impact solid waste pickup are: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day.

Any communities with service that falls on the holiday and those that are serviced on the weekdays after the holiday will have collection delayed one day. Service is not impacted when the holiday falls on a weekend.

Contract Changes at a Glance

MMWA negotiated and approved a seven-year collection contract with Waste Management that began January 1, 2016 and runs through December 31, 2022.

Residents will continue to receive manual trash, recycling and yard waste collection services, based on the schedule currently in place, except for the City of Saginaw, which is handling its own recycling and yard waste collection.

Some changes include:

FOCUS ON 50: We will still focus on the 50 pound weight restriction for ALL containers in every waste stream, but residents can use up to a 55 gallon BAG for trash and up to a 45 gallon CAN for recycling (only) with a "RECYCLABLES ONLY" sticker or marked with a large letter "R."

CARPET ROLLS – Carpet rolls and pads in quantities equal to one average-sized household room that are cut and tied into four foot sections will be considered one bulky item.

CARDBOARD BOXES – Trash can be placed in boxes, provided that the box is stable, and the contents do not weigh more than 35 pounds.

REMINDER – According to the collection contract, trash containers must have handles and be between 20 and 35 gallons in size and made of rigid plastic or metal. Recycling cans may be up to 45 gallons.

If you have any questions about these changes, please contact MMWA at (989) 781-9555 or mmwa@recyclemotion.org.

MMWA Customer Service By the Numbers December 2015

Of the resident phone calls made to MMWA in Dec. 2015, only 54 resulted in valid RCLs. This is less than .0001% of the total service points provided in the 35 communities serviced by MMWA.

A valid RCL is when a Waste Management collection worker returns to the address to provide collection service.

In December, 2015,
15 MMWA member communities
had ZERO valid RCLs and 14
communities had ONE.



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