

# CITY OF MERCED SOLID WASTE DIVISION

Welcome to the City of Merced! Our goal is to provide the best possible refuse service to you the customer. To aid us in this goal, your help and cooperation with the following guidelines will be greatly appreciated.

## Your Collection

Day is:

**MONDAY**

**TUESDAY**

**WEDNESDAY**

**THURSDAY**

**FRIDAY**

- Refuse service has 3 containers. The gray container is for household garbage, the blue container is for accepted recyclables, and the green container is for green waste. When containers are full, lids must be able to close and they must weigh less than 200 pounds. Containers that are overloaded or are too heavy may not receive service. Any items placed outside the container or on the curb will not be removed.

- All containers should be placed at the curb before 6:00 a.m. on the day of service. Containers can be out no sooner than 4:00 p.m. the day before service and no later than 9:00 p.m. the day of service. If containers are not out on time, there may be a fee charged to come back for service.

- Do not place containers next to vehicles, mailboxes, trees, or other obstacles that may interfere with the container being serviced. Please place the containers with the handle facing the house, at least 6 feet from any vehicle and 3 feet from all other objects, including the other containers. See diagram on back.

- Containers are assigned by serial number. Writing down this number can help if your container gets mixed up with a neighbor. Containers should only be moved by a City employee and should not be moved to different locations by residents. Please DO NOT paint or mark the container.

- Occasionally rinsing the container out with a garden hose over the lawn will help keep it clean and reduce the chance of offensive odors from forming.

- If you are having too many overloads, an additional container may be obtained for a monthly charge. Call (209) 385-6800 for current rates.

- If an observed holiday falls on a weekday, refuse service will be delayed one day starting with the holiday.

## Observed Holidays:

**New Year's Day**

**Martin Luther King Jr Day**

**President's Day**

**Memorial Day**

**Independence Day**

**Labor Day**

**Veteran's Day**

**Thanksgiving Day**

**Christmas Day**

If you have any questions or need assistance, please call the City of Merced Public Works office at (209) 385-6800. Office hours are Monday - Friday 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.



For more information or to view a refuse/water calendar please visit our website at [www.cityofmerced.org](http://www.cityofmerced.org)  
Thank you for your cooperation!

City of   
**Merced**  
*Gateway to Yosemite*

# What can go in your container?

- The Gray container is for general household garbage. Cold ashes and animal waste must be securely wrapped before they are placed in the container.

- The Blue container is for accepted recyclable items, such as plastics in bottle or jug form, paper or cardboard, glass jars, and metal food or aluminum cans. Place items in the blue can LOOSELY. **Absolutely NO PLASTIC BAGS.**

- The Green container is for yard waste, such as lawn clippings, leaves, small branches (must fit in can), weeds, and shrub trimmings. Place items in the green can LOOSELY. **Absolutely NO PLASTIC BAGS.**

- Items that are **NOT** accepted are:

Household Hazardous Wastes such as car batteries, pesticides, paints, or liquids of any kind.

Flammable materials such as gas, oil, or hot ashes.

Tires, concrete, or other large items.

Electronic Waste such as TV, computers, monitors, or other electronics.

For questions please call the Merced County Regional Waste Management Authority at 209-723-4481.

- For more details please visit our website at [www.cityofmerced.org](http://www.cityofmerced.org) or call our office at (209) 385-6800.

## Curbside Placement Guidelines

Please keep your trash containers 6 feet away from vehicles and 3 feet away from other objects, such as basketball hoops, trees, other containers, etc.

Please note:

**Not adhering to guidelines and/or blocked containers will not be serviced.**

