

City of Port Washington, Wisconsin  
REFUSE DO'S AND DON'TS

**REFUSE - DO'S**

- It is optional to place household/kitchen refuse/waste in bags, however carts will remain cleaner longer if a bag is used and less debris will blow out of the cart when emptied.
- Reduce the amount of refuse/waste you generate
- buy in bulk when possible
- use refillable and reusable products
- by concentrates to reduce packaging
- use cloth towels and not paper
- bring your own bags to stores
- sell or donate used goods such as clothing, furniture and toys to thrift shops, daycares, charity or second hand stores
- ashes, sawdust, construction dust, vacuum cleaner dust, etc. shall be double bagged, sealed and placed in the refuse cart
- cardboard or paper contaminated by oil, grease, or food shall be placed in the refuse cart – unstained pizza/food boxes are recyclable and go in the recycling cart
- bulk waste, such as furniture, rolled carpeting, fixtures, microwaves, lumber, etc will be collected as long as it fits in the container
- construction waste will be collected provided the resident performed their own work and the materials are placed in the cart and do not prevent the lid from being closed
- paint cans must be in a dry or hardened state, you may add floor dry or kitty litter
- **place your cart on the end of your driveway (in line with the mailbox) and more than 3' from any post, mailbox, recycling cart, or other object**
- **cart shall face the road as indicated by the arrow on the cart**
- **Carts shall be fully accessible, 3' apart. they cannot be blocked by parked vehicles or any other object**
- all containers must be curbside by 7 AM on the scheduled collection day, **DO NOT** place your cart out earlier than 7 PM the day prior to pick up or after snow plowing

**REFUSE - DON'TS**

- **do not place electronics such as TV's, Monitors, Cell Phones, etc in refuse cart**
- do not place recyclables in the refuse cart
- do not place yard waste in the refuse cart
- do not place engine oils, anti-freeze, or any other liquid in the refuse cart
- do not place any batteries, fluorescent tubes /bulbs or thermostats in the refuse cart
- do not place any hazardous or medical supplies or medications in the refuse cart
- do not place explosive material/ammunition in the refuse cart
- do not place cart in roadway or on snow banks
- **do not place anything outside the cart – it will not be picked up**