

Reminders to Residents Regarding Garbage Disposal



DO YOUR PART

The Department of Environmental Health (DEH) reminds residents of the proper ways to dispose of household and commercial garbage.

Handling and preparing house hold garbage for collection

- All household garbage must be placed in watertight metal or plastic garbage containers with tight-fitting lids.
- Each bag or container should not weigh more than 40 lbs.
- Coals, cooking oil and other 'hot' items must not be placed in regular garbage.
- Bulk items such as old boards, large metal products or tree branches should not be placed with regular garbage.
- Construction and demolition materials, landscaping vegetation and bulk household waste should not be placed in residential garbage containers. Arrangements can be made with DEH to rent and remove containers to deal with such waste.



DO'S

What not to put in Household Garbage

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| ■ Coals | ■ Household hazardous waste |
| ■ Grease or cooking oil | ■ Liquids |
| ■ Needles or broken glass | ■ Animal waste |
| ■ Constructions or demolition debris | |



DON'TS

Placement of containers

- Garbage containers must be placed in one of two locations:
 - In front of premises; or
 - On the street, immediately beside the property.
- All containers must be located at ground level or above
- Containers must not block traffic.
- Following collection, garbage containers must be removed from the street.



DO'S

Ban on dumping of garbage

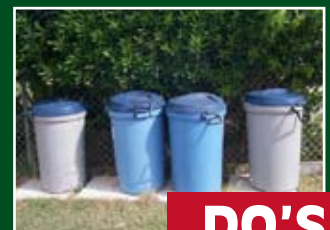
- All residents are reminded that it is illegal to dump garbage:
 - On any property; or
 - On or in the vicinity of public roads, beaches, waterfronts, or other public land. The only places to safely dump garbage are the three landfills.
- Disposal of all waste material resulting from new construction or renovated property is the responsibility of the property owner and must be transported to a landfill.
- Dumping garbage outside a landfill is against the Litter Law (1997 Revision). Convicted offenders face a C\$500 fine or imprisonment up to six months.



DON'TS

Managing containers

- Large, approved garbage containers placed by DEH will be serviced by department staff. The public is reminded that:
 - Access to these containers should be kept clear at all times;
 - Boxes must be broken down to efficiently utilize container space;
 - Do not over full
 - Wet garbage being placed into such containers must be in securely fastened plastic bags; and
 - Oil, grease or other liquid wastes must not be placed in these containers.
- Containers can be rented on a daily basis for bulk waste disposal.



DO'S

24-hour drop-off area at the landfill

- Located at the entrance to landfills, the drop-off and separation areas are open to the public for disposal of all types of waste. This includes landscaping vegetation, construction and demolition debris, metals, household appliances, furniture, and hazardous waste.



DON'TS

For more information regarding garbage disposal and collection, contact the DEH's Solid Waste Management Section, at 949-8793 or 949-6696.