

How to Use Your Curbside Collection Carts

The cart system is easy!

- Place carts out by 7:00 a.m. on your collection day
- Garbage carts are collected once per week
- Recycling and yard waste carts are collected on alternating weeks

Remember these simple guidelines for using your carts:

Close It. Ensure the lid closes properly. Any over-filled bins where the contents obstruct the lid from completely closing will not be accepted. Tag-a-bags are available for additional garbage or yard & garden waste, and can be purchased at Municipal Hall or Work & Utilities for \$2.50/ea. Extra recycling cannot be placed outside the cart, but you can upsize your recycling cart with no change to your monthly fee.

Park It! Place your carts on the street, with the wheels against the curb if there is one, or just off the roadway on the shoulder if no curb exists. Do not place carts in bike lanes or block sidewalks. Carts must not be an obstacle for cyclists or pedestrians.

Point It! The arrow on the cart lid must point towards the street.

Place It. Place your cart so that there is at least 1m (3ft) of space on all sides and 3m (10ft) of clearance above. Do not park vehicles within 1.5m (5ft) of the carts on collection day. Ensure the placement provides room for pedestrians and cyclists to pass and does not obstruct traffic or the path of snow plows.

Retrieve It! When emptied, please remove the carts from the street or shoulder and return them to a safe/secured spot on your property.



Each cart has a different colour of lid, which represents what can be placed inside

Reasons to Separate Correctly:

- Keep Costs Down: Landfill space is expensive! Keep yard waste and recycling out to help save \$
- Avoid Fines: The District is subject to fines when the wrong things go into the carts
- Keep Our Planet Healthy: Landfills are filling up do your part in making a difference!



Black Lid = Garbage

- All garbage must be placed in bags. Any type of bag is acceptable (black, blue, white, grocery, etc.), and all bags can be placed directly into the cart (there is no need to line the cart with a larger bag).
- Extra bags of garbage will not be collected unless affixed with 'tag-a-bag' sticker. These stickers can be purchased at Municipal Hall or Work & Utilities for \$2.50.
- Please do not place your garbage into your cart before your collection day, in order to reduce conflicts with wildlife.

Blue Lid = Recycle

• No more blue bags! Place all recyclable materials directly into the cart, loosely.

Accepted materials have not changed and include:

- Newspaper, inserts and flyers
- Magazines, catalogues or phone books
- Boxboard boxes (cereal, cracker and cookie boxes)
- Plastic bottles, jars and jugs (laundry and dish soap bottles and milk jugs)
- Plastic trays and clamshells such as takeout containers
- Plastic garden pots and seeding trays
- Paper egg cartons
- All household paper, envelopes, and shredded paper (please contain shredded paper in a plastic bag)

- All plastic or paper takeout cups, bowls and lids
- Cartons for soup and milk
- Paper bags from pet food, flour and sugar etc.
- Gift cards, paper gift bags and paper gift wrap (as long as it isn't metallic or shiny)
- Cardboard boxes and spiral wound cans and lids for frozen juice concentrate, chips, etc.
- Metal cans and empty aerosol cans (this does not include spray paint cans)
- Plastic tubs from yogurt and margarine

Materials that cannot be placed in your blue cart, but be recycled for FREE at the Summerland Landfill recycling depot include:

- Glass bottles and glass jars
- Foam packaging, meat trays, foam takeout containers and foam cushion packaging used to protect electronics etc.
- Soft Plastics such as plastic bags and overwrap (plastic grocery bags for produce, dry bulk foods, frozen vegetables, garden products, outer bags and product wraps such as bread bags and plastic wrap from paper towel)
- Lightbulbs
- Smoke and CO2 alarms
- Household paint
- Tires
- Scrap metal
- o Oil, oil containers and filters
- Household batteries
- Agricultural plastics (separated)
- Pesticides
- Solvents
- Fertilizers



Green Lid = Yard Waste

The Yard and Garden Waste carts program is easy to use. Simply place the following items inside your cart with the green lid:

- grass clippings
- leaves
- pine needles and pine cones
- garden plants (e.g., corn and tomato stalks)
- branches and prunings

Do not put plastic bags, other containers, or food scraps/waste into this cart.

What to do with Extra Yard Waste?

- Turn it into compost for your yard or garden.
- Hold on to extra material until the next scheduled pickup.
- Purchase 'tag-a-bag' stickers from Municipal Hall or Works & Utilities for \$2.50 and place them on your customer-supplied container of yard waste. Put them out along with your full cart.
- Bring it to the landfill it is free up to 500kg. You can also bring Untreated wood waste, and agricultural tree stumps/organic material



Essential Contacts

Curbside Service Provider

(General service inquiries, missed collections, damaged carts)

Waste Connections of Canada 250-490-3888

District of Summerland

Cart Information <u>www.summerland.ca/carts</u>

Landfill 250-494-0583 Works and Utilities 250-494-0431

worksandutilities@summerland.ca

Recycling Council of BC

(Get up-to-date recycling information, use Recyclepedia, and get the app)

www.rcbc.bc.ca

Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen

(Sign up for collection reminders at <u>www.rdos.bc.ca</u>)
Illegal Dumping Hotline 250-490-4129

Bear Aware Information

www.bearaware.bc.ca

Ministry of Environment

(to report burning of garbage) 1-877-952-7277

Recycle BC

Complete list of items that can go in your recycling cart

www.recyclebc.ca