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## Berkley Garbage Rules and Regulations

(248) 658-3490 – March 2018

Website: [www.berkleymich.org](http://www.berkleymich.org)

THE CITY PROVIDES FOR SOLID WASTE PICK-UP ONLY. LIQUID WASTE IN ANY FORM CANNOT BE PLACED AT THE CURB FOR PICK-UP.

- All garbage must be placed in **20-35 gallon containers** with handles or in plastic garbage bags, and shall **not weigh more than fifty (50) pounds**. Curb carts with a lift bar in front are acceptable as these are emptied by the truck, not manually. DPW sells 96 gallon garbage totes.
- Cardboard boxes **are not** acceptable garbage containers, and will not be picked up. All cardboard should be flattened and placed (not wedged) inside your recycle cart.
- Garbage stored more than 24 hours outside must be in a container with a tight fitting lid.
- **All garbage, recycling and yard waste must be placed at the curb by 7:00 AM the day of pick up.**

### TREE TRIMMINGS

- The chipper service is for residents who trim **their own trees**.
- Complete tree removal or debris left by contractors will **NOT** be collected.
- Branches **over** four (4') feet long and at least (2") inch thick (not to exceed 4" thick) must be placed loose at the curb with the cut ends facing one direction. **CHIPPER WILL NOT GRIND ROOTS OF ANY KIND.**

**\*\*You must notify the DPW @248-658-3490 if you plan on having branches out so we can add you to our list\*\***

**April through September** – J.H. Hart Tree Service – Chipper will run on the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of each month.

**October through March** – City crews will be chipping on an "as needed" basis.

- Branches **under** four (4) feet long and two (2") inch thick may be placed in a paper yard waste bag or a trash can with a "COMPOST" or "YARD WASTE" sticker on. Yard waste containers will be picked up on your regular trash day from April to mid-December.
- Logs, roots (free of dirt), stumps and untreated wood should be placed in paper yard waste bags (50lb. limit) and set out for compost/yard waste pickup.

### APPLIANCES & FURNITURE

- Items such as refrigerators, stoves, washers, dryers, hot water tanks, sofas, mattresses, grills, bikes and other household furniture are picked up on the regular trash day. **DOORS THAT LATCH MUST BE REMOVED.**
- To recycle televisions, radios, cell phones, VCR's, CD players, home computers and other small electrical items they must be taken to S.O.C.R.R.A, 995 Coolidge Hwy., Royal Oak. **No appointment necessary.**

If you see someone other than Tringali removing these items please call Public Safety at 248 658-3380 and report them.

### CARPETING

- Carpeting and padding must be cut to three (3') feet in width, rolled, and tied or taped in bundles weighing less than fifty (50) pounds.

### WOOD (treated), GUTTERS, AND PIPE

- These items must be cut to three (3') feet in length and tied in bundles weighing less than fifty (50) pounds.
- **All nails must be removed.**

**YARD WASTE**

- TAGS ARE NO LONGER REQUIRED FOR YARD WASTE BAGS OR CANS.
- Yard waste is collected on your garbage day April through mid-December.
- Yard waste is grass, leaves, shrubbery cuttings, vines, rose bushes, roots, stumps and sticks.
- Yard debris must be placed in a paper yard waste bag or can marked "COMPOST" or "YARD WASTE" not weighing more than 50 pounds.
- Mid-December to March 31 paper yard waste bags may be taken to SOCRRA for no charge.

**LEAVES AND GRASS**

- Leaves ONLY may be raked to the curb in neat rows from October 1 through December 1 ONLY or put out in paper yard waste bags or identified cans for weekly disposal pickup on your trash day during collection period only.
- **IT IS UNLAWFUL TO RAKE LEAVES INTO THE STREET ANY OTHER TIME OF YEAR!**

**ANIMAL WASTE**

- Animal waste must be bagged in plastic bags not put loose in garbage cans. Please double bag or place bags into garbage can.

**The City of Berkley DOES NOT pick up the following items:**

**AUTOMOBILE PARTS**

Automobile parts, frames, bodies, should be taken to a scrap metal yard. Automobile batteries should be left at the place of purchase or can be disposed of at many car care facilities.

**CONCRETE & BRICKS**

The contractor should remove these items. They may also be taken to a concrete crusher.

**DIRT, SAND, CONSTRUCTION REFUSE, AND ROOFING**

These items are the responsibility of the contractor. They may be taken to SOCRRA for a fee (248) 288-5150.

**TIRES**

These must be taken to a tire businesses or car care facilities to be disposed of for a small fee.

**OIL BASED PAINT, FLAMMABLE LIQUIDS, HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE**

These items must be taken to SOCRRA, 995 Coolidge Hwy., Royal Oak (no appointment necessary).

Empty latex paint cans may be disposed of in the recycle bin or the regular trash, if lids are removed. If paint is hard it may be placed next to the trash with the lid removed. To help dry Latex paints, use sand, kitty litter, shredded paper or a product called Dry Up.

**MEDICAL WASTE**

Waste should be taken to a hospital or doctor's office for disposal. *Syringes may be placed in a metal coffee can or heavy plastic can and taken to SOCRRA Household Hazardous Waste.*

SOCRRA Website – [www.socrra.org](http://www.socrra.org) for new recycling information.

**WASTE HAULER HOLIDAYS THAT WILL DELAY CURBSIDE PICK-UP IF HOLIDAY FALLS ON A WEEKDAY:**

- New Year's Day
- Memorial Day
- Independence Day
- Labor Day
- Thanksgiving Day
- Christmas Day

