

Oswego Resident

Important Notice Concerning Refuse Collection

The Village of Oswego Solid Waste and Recycling Program



We are pleased to announce that Groot Industries, Inc. and the Village of Oswego have amended the current agreement for residential refuse, recycling, and yard waste collection. Please find highlighted information below we would like you to be aware of.

- Groot will continue to provide Oswego residents with unlimited collection of household waste.
- The current service schedule will NOT be changed. You will continue to receive service on the collection day in which you are already accustomed.
- **NEW!** Weekly collection and recycling program for electronic waste at no additional charge. Residents must contact Groot for collection. Please find details inside.



- **NEW!** Residents will now have access to an optional program that allows for the collection of food scrap compost. Please find details inside.

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Curbside Recycling Program

Service includes weekly curbside collection of unlimited recyclable material with a 65-gallon recycle cart. Residents have the option to change the size of the cart to a 95-gallon or a 35-gallon cart at no extra cost. Please call Groot to make arrangements.



Unlimited Solid Waste Collection Program

Residents will receive weekly curbside collection of unlimited household solid waste which must be placed in containers not to exceed 35 gallons or 50 pounds in weight. The Village of Oswego will continue to bill residents for collection services. To receive the senior discount the primary resident must be 65 years old or older. Verification of senior status shall be handled by the Village.

Residents have the option to rent a 95-gallon refuse cart for \$24.00 annually which shall be billed directly to the customer. If you would like to explore the option of purchasing a refuse cart, please contact a Groot customer service representative.

White Goods/Appliances

White goods such as refrigerators, freezers, ovens, washers, air conditioners, humidifiers, dehumidifiers, dryers, water heaters, water softeners, dishwashers, stoves, ranges, furnaces, etc. require a special pick-up as required by the state. A \$35.00 fee is charged per item for collection. Residents must call and schedule a pick-up in advance.

Holidays Observed:

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| New Year's Day | Memorial Day |
| July 4th | Labor Day |
| Thanksgiving Day | Christmas Day |

In the event that collection day falls on a holiday, collection will be provided one day late. If a holiday falls on a Sunday, Monday will be an off day with service delayed one day the remainder of the week.

Landscape Collection

Residents shall be provided weekly yard waste and bundled brush collection. All yard waste materials must be placed in "Kraft" paper bags sold specifically for the collection and disposal of yard waste. All bundled brush out for collection shall be bundled with biodegradable natural fiber twine and shall not exceed 4 feet in length, with each bundle not to exceed 50 pounds in weight. Each paper bag or bundle of brush must have a yard waste sticker attached prior to collection. Stickers will be available to purchase at local merchants at a rate of \$1.00 each. The season shall begin on the first collection day of April and end on the last collection day of November.



Groot landscape stickers are available at:

- Oswego Village Hall | 100 Parkers Mill
- Ace Hardware | 4500 Route 71
- Jewel Foods | 2540 Route 30
- Meijer #239 | 2700 US 34
- Jewel Foods | 3795 Orchard Rd.
- Walgreens | 410 Chicago Rd.
- Walgreens | 3401 Orchard Rd.
- Lianes Family Pantry | 4574 US Route 71

Leaf Removal

Leaf removal is provided by the Village of Oswego. Watch your local newspaper and Village Newsletter for the scheduling of leaf removal.



Brush Pick-Up Schedule (April-October)

The Village of Oswego has implemented brush collection by zones. Please see the Village website for zone identification. Place all brush at the curb, not in the street, by 7 a.m. on Monday morning of designated week **but no earlier than noon the Friday before**. The Public Works trucks will pass through an area once and will not return for brush placed after the deadline. Depending on the volume and the weather, this process may take longer than one week.

Brush is defined as tree and bush branches that are less than 5” in diameter. No logs, wood, root balls, cuttings, or grass clippings will be picked up. Place unbundled brush neatly and parallel or perpendicular to the street with all cut ends facing the same direction. Please do not put brush in a container or in the street. Crews will place an orange tag on your door indicating the reason they did not pick up the brush if it was at the curb prior to the deadline.

The Village provides this service for residents. **The Village does not accept landscaping generated by contractors.** Brush pick up is conducted by the Public Works Department and is not associated with normal garbage/refuse pick up. For more information, call the Public Works Department at 630-554-3242.

Amnesty Day

Groot will provide a clean-up day in the spring and fall of each year. Service shall be provided on your normal collection day. Groot will collect additional household waste, yard waste and bulk items at no additional cost.

Christmas Trees

Groot will collect Christmas trees on your regular landscape collection day through the second full week of January at no additional cost. Stickers are not necessary for Christmas trees. Plastic bags must be removed from trees. Bags of late falling leaves or branch bundles can be placed at the curb with Christmas trees. Stickers are required on all bags and bundles. Christmas garlands and wreaths will be disposed of as refuse. No sticker is required.

Yard Waste Subscription Program NEW!!!

As an alternate option to the sticker, the subscription program allows residents to place both yard waste and food scrap compost in a 95 gallon cart designated for weekly collection. In partnership with the Village of Oswego, the creation of this new program is aimed to help residents reduce the amount of garbage being sent to area landfills. This optional program is available at a rate of \$120.00 per season. Biodegradable food waste is permitted to be mixed with yard waste as a part of this program that includes fruits and vegetables only.



The following items will NOT be accepted:

Glass	Plastics
Styrofoam	Diapers
Pet Litter	Liquids
Grease/Oils	Meat/Poultry
Seafood	Paper Products

Electronic Waste Recycling NEW!!!

Under the Illinois Electronic Products Recycling and Reuse Act, no person may knowingly cause or allow the mixing of any electronic items, such as computers, mice, printers, scanners, televisions, digital converter boxes, keyboards, cable receivers, fax machines, etc. with municipal waste that is intended for disposal at a landfill. Groot will now be collecting electronic waste at the curb at NO ADDITIONAL CHARGE. Residents wishing to recycle such items should call Groot to schedule a date and time for collection.



Please note that some items such as large TV's that require more than one person to collect may require an additional fee as determined by Groot personnel.

RECYCLING 101



PAPER

- Office/School Paper
- Newspaper
- Magazines/Catalogs
- Glossy & Non-glossy Inserts
- Shredded paper bagged in clear plastic bag
- Telephone Directories
- Advertising/Junk Mail
- Kraft Paper Bags
- Cardboard
- Paperboard/Chipboard
- Books (No leather cover books)
- Soda & Beer Carrying Cases
- No Metal Clips, Spirals or Binding
- Shredded paper must be bagged



METAL/GLASS

Aluminum, steel and tin cans
Clean brown, green and clear glass

PLASTIC

All plastic bottles and containers with these symbols underneath.



- **#1 PETE** – Beverage containers both clear and colored.
- **#2 HDPE** – Natural beverage containers. Colored detergent/health care containers.
- **#3 PVC** – Food, health care/beauty aid and household containers.
- **#4 LDPE** – Various food containers.
- **#5 PP** – Various food containers.
- **#7 Other** – Narrow neck containers and buckets up to 5 gallons.

Rinsed Juice/Milk Cartons
(Aseptic Containers)

ALL MATERIALS CAN BE MIXED TOGETHER

DO NOT: FOR THE LOVE OF RECYCLING

- **DO NOT** include mirrors, light bulbs, window glass or ceramics in recycling container.
- **DO NOT** include soiled paper fibers (oily pizza boxes, paper napkins, etc.).
- **DO NOT** include medical waste.
- **DO NOT** place materials in plastic bags.
- **DO NOT** include Styrofoam, wood, plastic film, or diapers.
- **DO NOT** recycle batteries

Discard all recyclables in the designated container(s). Please! Do not throw garbage in the container(s).

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