

## **GARBAGE & RECYCLING INFORMATION**

State law has made it mandatory that the County reduce the amount of waste being sent to the landfill. To encourage residents to send less waste to the landfill, the City has implemented unit based pricing and has a recycling program in place.

### **GARBAGE:**

**UNIT BASED PRICING:** Garbage fee is \$14.00 per month. This allows each household one bag per week. If you have more than one bag per week, you must place a sticker on each additional bag. The cost of the sticker is \$2.00. They may be purchased at City Hall in sheets of five, or at the Titonka Food Center.

**Garbage will be picked up every Thursday.** Have your garbage curbside by 8:00 A.M. All garbage must be in a garbage bag. **The maximum garbage bag size is 33 gallon.**

Extra items that are too large to fit into a garbage bag will be picked up at an additional charge. You must call City Hall prior to pickup. (928-2850)

Dumpsters for special temporary use are available upon request. An application for special dumpster service must be filled out and signed by the customer before delivery. The cost for a special use dumpster is \$40.00 each time the dumpster is emptied. If you are a Titonka Municipal Utilities customer, the \$40.00 fee will be added to your monthly utility bill.

### **RECYCLING:**

The cost of recycling is \$2.00 per month. **Recycling will be picked up curbside every first and third Monday.** For questions about items that will be accepted, call City Hall.

The recycling trailer is now parked on the north side of the skate park. City residents' recycling is picked up curbside, on the first and third Monday of the month. City residents may also drop off their recycling at the trailer. Please place the items in the compartment that is marked for them. Make sure that all cardboard is broken down – no boxes, please. Rural residents may use the recycling trailer for a fee of \$5.00 a month, payable at City Hall.

#### **Tin Cans -**

Food containers only, they must be cleaned and rinsed. The labels may stay.

Tin cans, which are NOT ACCEPTABLE, are those that contained toxic substances such as fertilizer, chemicals, paint, etc.

#### **Plastic Containers -**

Plastic containers with the 1, 2, or 3 triangle symbols on the bottom are accepted. This includes food containers; Milk Jugs, Shampoo and Detergent Containers please rinse, remove and discard lids.

Plastic containers that are NOT ACCEPTABLE include Styrofoam, Bleach, Oil,

Antifreeze, Pill bottles- anything that contained a toxic substance, Hard plastic - Toys, Floor mats, Tupperware. Plastic bags are also not allowed.

**Newspaper -**

Newspaper and anything that comes with the newspaper is acceptable. Telephone books and junk mail can also be included with newspaper. Also other paper such as computer, writing, typing, photocopy, letterhead and envelopes with color may be recycled with newspaper.

Newspaper that is NOT ACCEPTABLE includes catalogs and textbooks.

**High Quality White Paper -**

White Computer, Writing, Typing, Photocopy, Letterhead and White Windowless Envelopes.

Paper that is NOT ACCEPTABLE includes Carbon Paper, Thermo Fax paper, Blueprint paper, Sensitized paper, Film or Photographs, Metal Objects, Spiral Binders and Paper Clips.

**Corrugated Cardboard -**

Clean corrugated Cardboard without a waxy finish is accepted. Corrugated boxes should be flattened. Pop cartons, Cereal and Detergent Boxes are also accepted and inside bags should be removed. Brown paper bags can go with cardboard.

Cardboard that is NOT ACCEPTABLE includes soiled or greasy cardboard and waxed milk cartons.

**Glass -**

Glass food containers are only accepted. They should be rinsed and the lids should be removed and discarded. The glass should be separated by color (clear, brown and green).

Glass that is NOT ACCEPTABLE includes light bulbs, mirrors, window glass, dishes, drinking glasses, ceramics, crystal, and ovenware etc.

**Magazines -**

Magazines and sampler catalogs are recyclable.

Items NOT ACCEPTED, as magazines are large catalogs and textbooks.

**YARD WASTE:**

Yard waste is any debris such as grass clippings, leaves, garden waste and brush. (does not include tree stumps) Yard waste shall be separated from all other solid waste and can be composted on the premises, burned on the premises during the periods of September 15 to November 15 and March 15 to May 15.