



Solid Waste Solutions: Severe Weather Events 2017

During severe weather events, solid waste collections may be affected. The following guidelines will help you prepare and respond.

In preparation for a severe weather event residents should

- Listen carefully to local emergency management officials and media advisories regarding potential solid waste service shut down or suspension.
- Not place any garbage/recycling out for collection.
- Secure any remaining loose materials on the property including garbage and/or recycling containers.

Waste Management will begin routine collections as soon as it is safe and streets are passable per the scheduled collection days. Every attempt will be made to return for areas that were missed.

Please check The Woodlands Township website at www.thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov for updates.

Set Out Guidelines

- Yard debris options
 - Curbside pick-up by Waste Management on regular service day
 - Unlimited yard trimmings must meet guidelines.
 - Trimmed to 4 feet, no bigger than 4 inches in diameter.
 - Bundled with twine, bagged in compostable bags or containerized in open container.
 - Weigh no more than 40 pounds.
 - Drop-off at The Woodlands Recycling Center at Research Forest Drive (5310 Research Forest Drive, The Woodlands, TX 77381)
 - Self-service
 - Yard trimmings must be no bigger than 12 inches in diameter.
 - Trimming, bundling NOT required.
 - NO plastic bags.
 - Open: Wednesday, 4p.m. to 7 p.m., Saturday, 9a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Household/garage cleanup
 - Pink tags
 - Bagged extra household trash.
 - Purchase pink tags for \$1.75 each from Customer Service at Kroger and Randalls.
 - Affix one tag to each bag.



- Curbside bulky waste pick-up by Waste Management
 - Oversized items too large to fit in trash cart if it were empty, such as broken chair, broken toys, damaged lawn furniture, old grill or items no longer serviceable.
 - NO construction debris, carpet or fencing.
 - Must be ordered 2 business days in advance.
 - Free.
- The Bagster®
 - Holds 3,000 pounds or 3 yards, 4' x 8'.
 - Purchase The Bagster at big box stores such as Lowes and Home Depot.
 - Schedule and pay online for pick-up. www.thebagster.com
- Trash and recycle carts
 - Follow all standard guidelines.
 - www.thewoodlandstowship-tx.gov/trashandrecycling
- Textiles
 - Follow all standard guidelines.
 - Service schedule follows Waste Management's service schedule.
- Flood debris
 - When an area is federally declared a disaster area.
 - Collections are managed by the County; materials are collected by a contractor, not Waste Management.
 - Follow FEMA guidelines for separating debris
www.fema.gov/disposing-debris-removing-hazardous-waste

For more information or questions, please contact The Woodlands Township Environmental Services Department, 281-210-3800 or visit us online at www.thewoodlandstowship-tx.gov/trashandrecycling.