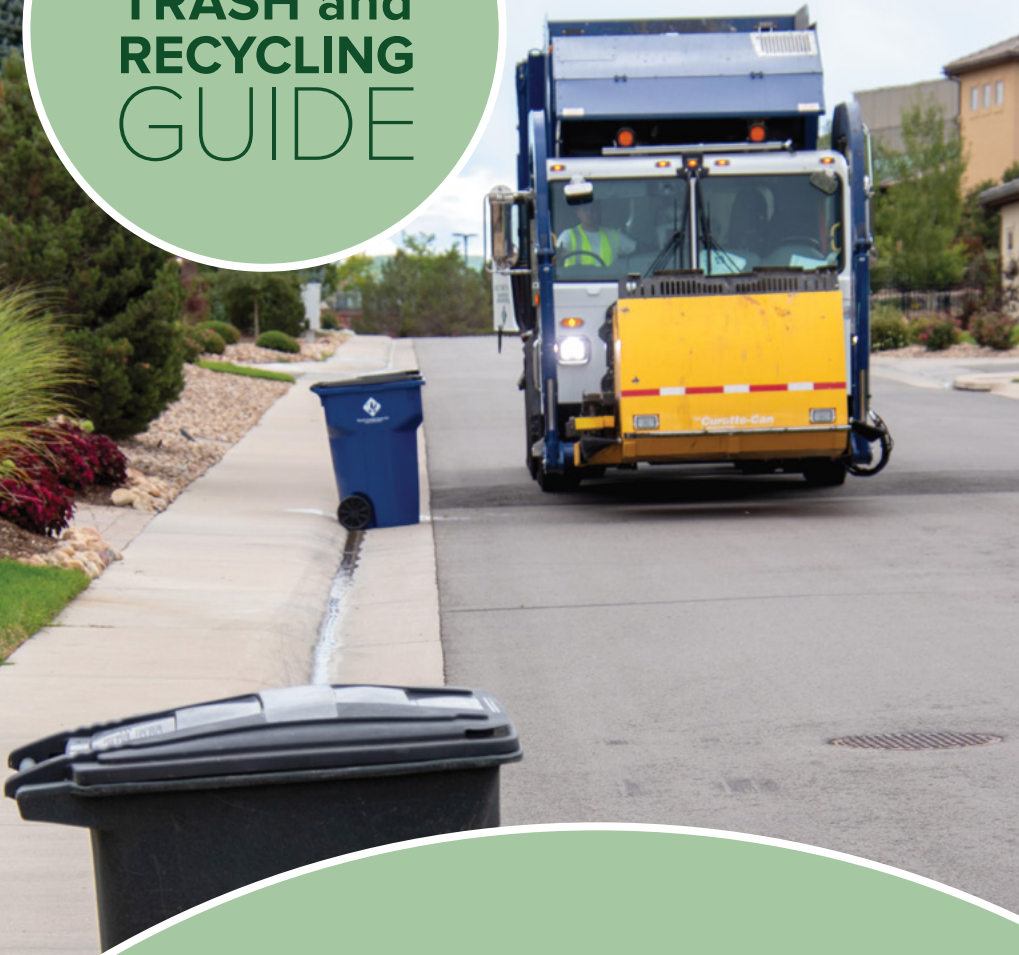


2026 TRASH and RECYCLING GUIDE



Residential trash and recycling services are provided to eligible residential households who receive curbside pickup in Lone Tree by the City's partner, Waste Connections. To ensure your trash and recycling are picked up in a timely and efficient manner, please note the following:

- Please have your trash and recycling containers out at the curb on your designated service day by 7 a.m.
- Please try to have two feet of space in between your containers for easier pick up.
- Recycling is picked up on the same day as your trash, every other week (see calendar).

ACCEPTABLE RECYCLE MATERIALS CURBSIDE

To make sure your recyclables get turned into new products instead of ending up in the landfill, it's important to know exactly what goes in your recycle bin and what goes in your trash containers. Just be sure to rinse out containers, wipe them clean, and make sure everything is dry before it goes in the bin. For a complete list of acceptable recycle items, visit wasteconnections.com/disposal-recycle-guide

PLASTIC

Plastic containers numbered 1-7 are accepted. Here are some examples of plastics to recycle:

- Butter tubs
- Condiment bottles (ketchup, mustard, etc.)
- Liquid detergent and other cleaning supply bottles
- Milk and juice cartons
- Peanut butter jars (rinse food out)
- Shampoo bottles and liquid soap dispensers
- Soda, water and juice bottles
- Vitamin bottles
- Yogurt containers

CARDBOARD & BOXES

- Please make sure to flatten cardboard and if large, cut it into 2 x 2-foot sections.
- No wax-lined cardboard is accepted, but it can be composted.

AEROSOL CANS

Please make sure any aerosol cans are completely empty. This includes containers such as shaving cream and hair spray cans. Labels are appropriate.

BROWN PAPER BAGS

Brown paper bags are acceptable; plastic bags are not.

CHIP OR PAPERBOARD

- Cereal boxes
- Food boxes for popcorn or microwaveable food boxes
- Paper egg cartons
- Paper towel and toilet paper tubes
- Soda carrier boxes
- Tissue holders
- Newspaper – the entire newspaper is acceptable, including inserts and ads.

OFFICE PAPER & BULK/JUNK MAIL

All types of office paper, bulk mail and junk mail are accepted. If you can tear it, we can take it. Don't worry about paper clips, staples or sticky notes. No Tyvek (polyethylene fiber) plastic/overnight mailing folders.

MAGAZINES, CATALOGS & PHONE BOOKS

Discard plastic bags around these items and items such as CDs and magnets. All other magazines, catalogs and phone books are acceptable.

Questions About Your Trash Service

Visit:

cityoflonetree.com/trash-and-recycling

Sign Up for Updates Via Text About Your Trash and Recycling Service

Visit or scan:

go.cityoflonetree.com/city-text-signup

Trash Line:

720-509-1212

Email:

trash@cityoflonetree.com



UNACCEPTABLE RECYCLE MATERIALS CURBSIDE

Even if an item feels “recyclable,” some things just don’t belong in your bin. Remember, when in doubt, throw it out. That way you will not compromise the rest of the recycling.

- Styrofoam
- Candy wrappers
- Carbon paper
- Carpet or cloth
- Food-soiled cardboard – no pizza boxes or food containers
- Food or any organic waste
- Liquids
- Plastic bags
- Plastic egg cartons (with a 1-3 recycle code only)
- Plates or dishes
- Six-pack ring holders
- Used paper cups and paper plates
- Used paper towels
- Used tissues
- Waxed paper or waxed cardboard
- Wet or soiled paper
- Electronics, batteries, or hazardous waste – special disposal required.
- “Tanglers” – hoses, cords, ropes, ribbons, and string lights.

MOST COMMON RECYCLING SLIP-UPS

Plastic Bags and Wraps

Plastic bags can jam the machinery at recycling centers. Instead of tossing them in your bin, drop them off at participating grocery or retail stores that have plastic film recycling bins near the entrance.

Food Residue

Give glass, plastic, or metal food containers a quick rinse or wipe before recycling. Pizza boxes and takeout containers with leftover food or grease cannot be recycled.

“Wish-Cycling”

If you’re unsure whether something is recyclable, it’s tempting to throw it in

and “hope for the best.” Unfortunately, that often causes more harm than good. When in doubt, leave it out, or check with Waste Connections first.

Tanglers and Odd Items

Hoses, cords, hangers, and other “tanglers” can wrap around sorting equipment and cause shutdowns. These should be taken to special recycling drop-off locations, not your curbside bin.

Loose Lids and Small Items

Bottle caps, small pieces of foil, and shredded paper are too small to be sorted properly. Keep caps attached to bottles and toss small scraps in the trash.

HAZARDOUS WASTE DISPOSAL

Lone Tree is partnering with Douglas County and Waste Management to provide Lone Tree residents with a low-cost household service for hazardous waste removal year-round. Get details and sign up for your household pick-up at wmatyourdoor.com/residential.

Hazardous materials accepted as part of this service include:

- Household chemicals
- Automotive products
- Consumer electronics
- Paint
- Batteries
- Garden chemicals
- Fluorescent light bulbs
- Thermometers and thermostats
- Flammable items
- Syringes and lancets
- Swimming pool chemicals



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2026 CALENDAR



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**RECYCLE
WEEK**

OBSERVED HOLIDAYS

Service will be delayed by one day after the following holidays: New Years Day, Memorial Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day