

Sec. 8.42.550. - Placement of residential containers and bags for collection.

1. Residential containers, plastic bags and recycling containers shall be stored in such a manner as not to be readily visible from the public street; provided that during the time fixed for collection from the premises, residential containers, plastic bags and recycling containers shall be placed for collection as follows:
 - A. Curb service. Residential containers, plastic bags and recycling containers shall be placed adjacent to a public thoroughfare for collection service but not more than 12 hours prior to the normal collection time by a franchisee, and shall be removed from the public thoroughfare location within 12 hours after collection.
 - B. Yard service. Residential containers, plastic bags and recycling containers may also be placed for collection service on the generator's property in a place mutually agreed to by the owner or tenant and the franchisee or permittee not more than 100 feet from a public thoroughfare.
 - C. Franchisee or permittee company personnel shall be responsible for the placement of all empty containers in a safe location which does not present a risk of interference with pedestrian or motorized traffic.
 - D. During periods of heavy snow, generators shall provide a clear path for the return of containers to a point 20 feet back from the property line.
 - E. No person shall place any residential container, plastic bag, recycling container or other solid waste so that it, in any way, obstructs a public right-of-way.
 - F. In addition, residential containers and plastic bags may be placed as indicated in this section at times other than the date of collection provided that they are at all times housed in shelters or housing constructed in accordance with specifications approved by the County Building Department and Development Services Division of the Community Development Agency which shall develop such specifications in consultation with the public and interested local public agencies and private entities, and make the final approved specifications available for public use.
2. All front yard residential solid waste containers or housings shall conform to the design specifications approved by the County Building Department and Development Services Division of the Community Development Agency. Any nonconforming front yard residential solid waste containers shall be removed. Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, the County Board of Supervisors may waive the application of the front yard solid waste container or housing design specifications in individual cases where unique circumstances are established by a waiver applicant through sufficient evidence meeting the following criteria:
 - A. The applicant has no financial means or likelihood of obtaining the financial means needed to substantially conform the design specifications in force for new or significantly modified containers or housings.
 - B. The applicant has made good faith efforts to find a use alternative means of preventing animal access to his or her residential solid waste before the waste is collected, whether or not such efforts have been successful to any extent.
 - C. The applicant establishes to the satisfaction of the Board of Supervisors that a waiver will not be detrimental to the public health and safety purposes of this chapter.