



Bellevue Nebraska Solid Waste Program

Recycling, Landfill Trash, and Yard Waste Information for the Citizens of Bellevue, Nebraska

SAVE THE DATE: SPRING CLEAN UP IS MAY 10, 2025

Yard Waste Season Begins April 1

During yard waste season, brown yard waste carts may be used for yard waste only. Please do not place other items in your brown cart after April 1, as contents of your brown cart and brown bio bags are used for compost.

Brown Carts Are For Yard Waste And They Are FREE!

Between April 1 and November 30 only compostable yard waste may be placed in your brown cart. During yard waste season, contents of your brown cart are composted so you are helping to reduce the amount of waste sent to the land fill and helping the environment!

- Yard waste includes leaves, lawn clippings, prunings, weeds, and dead plant material.
- Yard waste that does not fit in the cart may be placed in brown bio bags and placed alongside the brown cart. If using bio bags, your brown cart must also be at the curb, and the bags should not weigh more than 40 pounds. Please do NOT put your yard waste in plastic bags.
- Branches over one inch in diameter cannot be composted. They must be cut to a size that will fit in your blue cart with the lid closed. **BETTER OPTION:** take them to the City's free tree dump located at 8902 Cedar Island Road on the last Saturday of the month from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
- And don't forget: you trash bill is based solely **ON THE SIZE OF YOUR LANDFILL TRASH CART.** You are not required to receive a compostable yard waste cart, however, these carts are included with the price of the landfill trash cart..



City of Bellevue Adds New Yard Waste Drop Off Option

As of March 3, 2025 City of Bellevue residents may also drop off yard waste at the City of Omaha Compost Processing Facility at 6606 South 60th Street. (the former Al Veys ballfields at 60th and Harrison). There is no charge for this disposal option. Here is the process:

- 1) Stop by the office for permission to unload.
- 2) Pick up a scale card from the office, weigh the vehicle loaded, unload material, re-weigh empty vehicle, then return card to office.
- 3) No plastic bags, trash, food waste, stumps, or branches larger than 2 inches in diameter are allowed.
- 4) Oma-Gro reserves the right to prevent anyone from unloading at the Oma-Gro Production facility.

What Are Hard-to-Recycle Plastics and How Do I Dispose of Them?

Hard-to-Recycle plastics—also referred to as single use plastics—are items that are require special treatment to recycle. These items include:

- Snack bags - Pudding cups - Candy wrappers
- Pet food bags - Styrofoam - Plastic utensils - Straws

The best thing to do is try to avoid these plastics.—such as choosing cardboard rather than Styrofoam egg cartons. However, they may be recycled by placing them in a transparent orange or clear bag and placed in your green recycling cart. They are not compatible with the standard plastic recycling stream, but workers at the recycling processing plant will manually remove these bags and place them in an alternate stream. Please make sure that the bag is orange or clear so that workers can see the contents. This small step can keep these items out of the landfill.