

CITY OF AMERICAN FALLS

SANITATION SERVICE

The City of American Falls utilizes the Rapid Rail System for garbage collection. This system is fully automated and features heavy plastic containers, a hydraulic lift and special truck. The driver, from the inside of the truck, operates that lift which clamps onto the plastic containers, dumping garbage into the truck. This system has proven to be a cost effective and efficient process. However, in order for this system to function properly, the City needs the cooperation of residents. Please review and abide by the following requirements.

- DO:
-Wrap food waste and small scraps in paper or plastic bags before placing in containers.

 -Place grass clippings, leaves, weeds, twigs, and small yard trash in container for pickup.

 -Contain animal waste in plastic bags before placing in container.

 -Flatten boxes before placing in container. Large boxes must be broken down.

 -Do make sure the container is properly placed with the handle away from the street or alley in the DESIGNATED PICKUP LOCATION. (The Designated Pickup location is determined by the City). STREET PICKUP – make sure container is in street right-of-way – not on curb or sidewalk.

 -Do make sure the container is unobstructed by vehicles, power poles, and fences. Don't put can under tree limbs.

 -Move the 90 gallon containers from the street pickup location within 24 hours of pickup.

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DON'T:

.....DON'T put concrete block, dirt, rocks, roofing boards, or any construction or demolition material into container.

.....DON'T put tires, batteries, automobile parts (muffler pipes and other), waste oil, any hazardous waste materials, or any other metal items into containers.

.....DON'T put tree limbs, tree trunks, Christmas trees ***, discarded furniture, appliances, and bulky or heavy items into or around the container.

***Christmas trees will be picked up the week after New Year's Day on your regularly scheduled pickup day. Place the tree next to the container (not in it).

.....DON'T put hot ashes into the container.

.....DON'T pack garbage so tightly into container that it cannot be dumped.

..... DON'T place dead animals in container.

ALL ACCEPTABLE TRASH MUST BE INSIDE THE CONTAINERS – ANY TRASH OUTSIDE THE CONTAINERS WILL NOT BE PICKED UP. Please do not use your neighbor's container; they need it for their own use. If you need another container, they are available at an additional fee.

HOLIDAYS – There will be no garbage pickup on Holidays. If your regularly scheduled pickup day falls on a Holiday, your container will be dumped on the next day.

RESIDENTS WILL BE LIABLE for the cost of a replacement container and/or damages to the truck if the container and/or the truck are damaged or destroyed by user's negligence !!!

If you have any problems or questions concerning the garbage pickup, please call City Hall at 226-2569.