



**THINGS
TO KNOW**

WELCOME TO HUMBOLDT!

We're so glad you've come to live here!

This brochure is meant to outline the City's garbage and recycling policies.

Your collection day varies according to your location in town. There is a map on our website if you'd like to look it up yourself, or contact the office to find out your day.

Feel free to call the City Office at 332-3435 with questions. We'd be happy to help!

HANDY PHONE NUMBERS:

Fort Dodge Landfill: 800-582-4379

Hamilton County Hazardous Waste: 515-539-4420

Don't Forget!

Humboldt's Website is updated daily, and has the most up to date information about what's going on around town.

Set it as your home page and always be informed!



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Garbage & Recycling Info

The City of Humboldt utilizes a “pay as you throw” program to make your garbage charges more fair than a traditional trash program. **The City charges a base fee of \$7.50 on your utility bill every month, with the remaining cost covered by purchasing City bags.** Thus, you only pay for the trash you throw away, instead of an average of what everyone in town throws away.

City trash bags come in two sizes: Yellow 20-gallon bags and blue 30-gallon bags. They are marked with the City’s logo and can be **purchased at City Hall, Hy-Vee or Fareway.**

Your trash and recycling should be placed on the curb **no later than 6:00 am on your trash day.** You may use a garbage can if you wish, but you still need to use City trash bags and tie them shut. **Bags have a weight limit of 50 pounds.**

Each residence has been issued one green City recycling bin. (If you are moving, please leave it with the house.) If you do not have one, visit City Hall and we can

issue you a new one. These are free of charge, one per residence. If you need more room, feel free to use your own additional container.

What Can You Recycle?

Newspaper, Magazines & Catalogues:

No catalogues or phone books over 1 inch thick, do not put them in plastic sacks or tie with strings. Place loose in the bottom of your bin.

Fiber Board & Office Paper:

Cereal boxes, cracker boxes, tissue boxes, shoe boxes (**break down flat**, no plastic or wax liners), etc. Any clean paper such as computer paper, junk mail, or envelopes.

Tin & Aluminum Cans:

Rinse cans clean, **do not include lids.** You do not need to remove labels.

Plastics:

Remove all lids, rinse clean, no need to remove labels. Check the container for its “recycling number” - We will take numbers one through seven, excluding number six.

Clear Glass:

Clear Glass ONLY, remove lids, rinse clean.

Not Allowed!

The most important thing to remember with recycling is that **everything must be clean**, no food, grease or other residues. **If you have something that is not acceptable, it will be left in your bin. Please throw it away.**

These things are not recyclable: Pizza boxes, used tissue, toilet paper, paper towels, hazardous materials or containers that had hazardous materials in them, (like paint, varnish, motor oil, etc.) plastic grocery sacks, Styrofoam, egg cartons, plastic sheeting, sheet metal, light bulbs, aerosol cans, ceramics, wire, oil filters, plate glass, or mirrors.

Remember, recycling in Humboldt is a free service. The more you recycle, the less you pay for garbage and the better it is for the planet!

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