



# FOUNTAIN HILLS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

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## *Important Notice Re: Trash Containers*

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Dear Fountain Hills Homeowner/Resident:

It has recently been noted that on trash collection days many residents do not use trash containers. The practice of setting out individual trash bags in place of using a trash container is becoming a more frequent occurrence throughout the community.

You may not be aware that Fountain Hills' Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions specifies that "garbage, trash and other refuse shall be placed in tightly covered containers" (Article VIII, Section 8E).

*Trash should only be set  
out for collection in  
tightly sealed containers.*

Setting out "loose" trash bags oftentimes creates a nuisance when the bags are ripped open by birds or other animals, thereby attracting pests and causing litter to be strewn throughout the area. Additionally, "loose" bags can easily be tipped over by strong winds, become unfastened, and create a mess. Placing trash out for collection in tightly sealed containers greatly reduces the chances of this happening.

It is important that trash always be set out for collection in tightly sealed containers to help keep the community clean and as free of litter as possible; and to comply with community's rules.

It should also be noted that storage of refuse containers (trash and recycle) should not be in "public view" (i.e., refuse containers should be stored in your rear yard or garage).

For your convenience, the reverse of this notice lists additional helpful trash guidelines. Thank you in advance for your attention and cooperation with this matter.

Sincerely,  
FOUNTAIN HILLS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

William Whitney  
Community Manager

cc: Board of Directors



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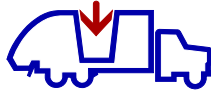
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## HELPFUL TRASH/RECYCLING GUIDELINES

In an effort to reduce or eliminate potential trash/recycling related problems at Fountain Hills, this reminder is to help acquaint you with the appropriate disposal methods.

**Please Note:** This information does not apply to the Fountain Hills Condominium residents as the Condominium has separate trash collection and recycling arrangements.

### REGULAR TRASH COLLECTION:



- Regular trash collection days are **Mondays and Thursdays.**

Regular collections will be made when a holiday falls on a Monday or Thursday.

### EXCEPT that **NO COLLECTIONS** WILL BE MADE ON:

<b>MEMORIAL DAY</b>	<b>INDEPENDENCE DAY</b>
<b>LABOR DAY</b>	<b>THANKSGIVING DAY</b>
<b>CHRISTMAS DAY</b>	<b>NEW YEARS' DAY.</b>

Collection after these holidays will be made on the NEXT REGULAR COLLECTION DAY.

- *The collection point for trash is:*

The curb nearest the front of your home.

- *Trash containers should not be placed out in public view.*

Trash containers should be stored in your rear yard or in your garage.

Trash containers should be set out for collection on the day of collection by 7:00am.

- **Trash should be kept in tightly sealed metal or rubber containers.**

**Please Note:** Trash **should not be stored** in plastic or paper bags as these do not securely enclose the garbage and create unclean and potentially unsanitary conditions that will ultimately cost everyone for clean-up!

- **PLEASE DO NOT** place large furniture items out for the regular trash collections as the trash company will not remove this type of item. If you have a large item such as a mattress or sofa that needs immediate disposal, please contact Potomac Disposal at (301)294-9700 to arrange for a special pick-up.

- **PLEASE DO NOT PLACE HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SUCH AS PAINT, OILS, OR OTHER SIMILAR ITEMS IN THE TRASH!** It is against Montgomery County law to dispose of such items in the regular trash. Individual owners/residents must dispose of these materials at the County Transfer Station in Gaithersburg or at those special collection points advertised by the County. Contact the Montgomery County DPWT, Division of Solid Waste, for information at (240)777-6400 or on the internet at <http://solidwaste.dpwt.com/trash/>.

### RECYCLING COLLECTION:



- The regular recycling collection day is Tuesday or Wednesday<sup>1</sup>.

- The collection point for recycling is the curb at the front of each home.

- Recyclables must be placed in the "blue bin" provided by Montgomery County.

If you need a "blue bin", call Montgomery County DPWT at (240)777-6400.

- Some Items You May Recycle:

- \* **Newspapers:** must be in a **paper** bag, tied in a bundle, or placed in a recycle container.
- \* **Cardboard**
- \* **Glass bottles and jars:**  
**EXAMPLE:** Soda, juice, beer and wine bottles, salad dressing, pickle, mayonnaise jars, etc.
- \* **Aluminum and tin cans:**  
**EXAMPLE:** Soda, beer and juice cans, pet food, tuna and vegetable cans, including **CLEAN** aluminum foil products such as TV dinner trays, pie plates and aluminum foil wrap.
- \* **Certain plastic "bottles":** with a 1 or 2 recycling symbol on the bottom. **EXAMPLE:** Milk, soda, water and juice bottles, dish soap, laundry detergent and bleach bottles.

- You Should:

- \* **EMPTY AND RINSE** all containers to be recycled.
- \* **DISCARD** the caps and lids.
- \* **STORE** recyclables in a designated container **inside your home.**

All homeowners/residents are asked to cooperate in making trash/recycling disposal a successful operation by adhering to the guidelines/procedures listed above. ***Only you can make this effort successful!***

1. Tuesdays: Lake Geneva Way, Mediterranean Drive. Wednesdays: All other homes.