



WWCA - Trash & Recycle Policy

Approved by WWCA Board of Directors May 2020

Scope

All privately and community owned areas in the Whispering Woods Community

Policy Statement

The Whispering Woods Community Association Covenants and Rules and Regulations were created to maintain the community, protect the health, safety, and comfort of residents, as well as maintain the property values of all homes.

Definitions

Trash Can—plastic or metal container that is intended for trash and has a lid

Recycle Bin—plastic or metal container that is intended and identified for recycled items

Yard Waste—leaves/needles, grass clippings, sticks and brush

Screen—approved barrier or landscaping to hide containers from being visible from the street

Collection Area—areas that county trash collectors will pick up trash, recycling, and bulk/yard waste items

Illegal Dumping-- the disposal of any waste in an area not designated for such disposal.

Procedures

- **Collection Times:** County Trash and Recycle pickup is on **Thursday morning** and should be placed out no earlier than 6pm Wednesday night. All containers must be removed no later than Thursday night. Should Thursday be a Holiday, please refer to the Anne Arundel County website www.aacounty.org for holiday pickup schedule.
- **Bulk Item and Yard Waste:** County Bulk Item and Yard Waste pickup is on **Thursday morning** and should be placed out no earlier than 6pm Wednesday night. All yard waste must be placed in containers marked with an X or in lawn and leaf paper bags. Use of plastic bags for yard waste is prohibited. Sticks and limbs should be cut and tied in 3ft bundles. Check with AA County www.aacounty.org for bulk item guidelines.
- **Approved Containers:** All trash and recycling must be contained in trash cans or recycling bins and must have their address affixed to them with either stick-on numbers or painted with a stencil (freehand spray painting or handwriting is not acceptable). Loose plastic trash bags are NOT permitted at the curbside or stored in resident yards to prevent attracting wildlife and rodents.
- **Collection Areas:** Townhouse collection areas are located on the islands nearest to your house or may be placed on the street behind your vehicle. Single family and Duplex residents are to place their trash and recycling at the curbside in front of their home.
- **Container Storage:** All trash and recycling containers must be stored behind your home or behind an approved screen and not be visible from the street. All screens must be approved through a WWCA Architectural Request Form.

Illegal Dumping:

Illegal Dumping is prohibited. These areas include but are not limited to: HOA open space, islands and curbside on any court or street in the community, wooded areas behind homes, townhomes, or other areas in the community. Illegal dumping includes but is not limited to, yard waste, large bags of trash, building materials, household furniture, mattresses, appliances, and other bulky items. Residents should follow procedures above and schedule a county bulk pickup when needs fall outside the scope of the normal weekly collection.

Fines and Violations

- Residents/Tenants in violation of any of the above procedures are subject to a WWCA Architectural Violation as identified in the WWCA Violation Fining Structure.
- Any trash or recycling bins left out at times other than noted above, and without an address will be immediately disposed of by WWCA.