

## RED OAK HILLS HOMES ASSOCIATION, INC.

### Frequently Asked Questions - Trash, Recycling and Yard Waste Collection

#### 1. How do I pay for trash, recycling and yard waste collection services?

For all Homes Association members, the cost of trash, recycling, and yard waste collection is included in your annual dues.

#### 2. How often is trash, recycling and yard waste collected?

Our service provider, KC Disposal, collects trash, recycling, and yard waste each week. Regular collection day is Wednesday; however, if a KC Disposal-recognized holiday falls on or before Wednesday in a given week, collection will occur one day later.

#### 3. Are there limits on where can I store my trash and recycling containers?

In Red Oak Hills, trash and recycling containers must be stored in your garage or behind a barrier so they are not visible from the street, sidewalk, or neighboring properties. If you choose to use a barrier, it must first be approved by the Homes Association's Architectural Committee. Applications for barrier approval are available on the Homes Association website: <https://www.redoakhills.org/documents>.

#### 4. When can I place my containers at the street for collection?

Property restrictions in Red Oak Hills, along with City of Shawnee ordinances, permit you to set out trash, recycling, and yard waste up to 24 hours before collection. Containers and yard waste must be placed at the end of your driveway—not in the street—the evening before pickup. Be sure to leave at least four feet of space between trash and recycling containers. To remain in compliance with both neighborhood and City requirements, return all containers to their approved storage area within 24 hours after collection.

#### 5. Is there a limit on the amount of trash, recycling and yard waste that can be placed at the street for collection?

- a. Each week, you may set out one KC Disposal-labeled trash container at the end of your driveway. All trash must fit inside the container with the lid closed securely. If you have more trash than the container can hold, an overage sticker is required. Overage stickers can be purchased directly from KC Disposal by phone or in person.
- b. Recycling is unlimited, as required by City ordinance. If your recycling exceeds the capacity of your container, you may set out an additional container. Clearly mark any extra container so it is obvious the contents are recycling.
- c. Each week, you may place up to ten biodegradable paper bags or bundles, or up to five 35-gallon containers of yard waste at the end of your driveway.

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### 6. What items should NOT go into my trash container?

Hazardous household waste must never be placed in your trash container. Items such as batteries, electronics, fluorescent light bulbs, household cleaners, paint and paint cans, used motor oil and filters, and prescription medications require special disposal. In addition, yard waste may not be placed in your trash container. Because it is prohibited from landfills, yard waste must be kept separate and should never be mixed with regular trash.

### 7. What items can I place in my recycling container?

Clean and dry beverage containers (such as plastic bottles and metal cans) and paper products (including paper and cardboard) should be placed in your recycling container. Do not place plastic bags, plastic wrap, juice boxes or pouches, foam cups or packing materials, ceramic dishes or cups, or any glass items such as glassware, windows, mirrors, or sheet glass in recycling.

### 8. What are the yard waste collection requirements?

Yard waste must be placed in biodegradable paper bags or maximum 35-gallon containers. Tree trimmings less than 2 inches in diameter should be bundled in lengths no longer than four feet, with each bundle weighing no more than 35 pounds. The City also prohibits depositing yard waste—including grass clippings from lawn mowers—into the street, curb, gutter, or stormwater drains and channels.

### 9. What if I have bulky items that will not fit in my trash container?

Bulky items may be disposed of in two ways:

- a. **Annual curbside collection** — During the annual Tidy Town event, typically held in June, you may place up to five bulky items at the curb for pickup by KC Disposal. Please note that hazardous waste, construction materials, fencing, car parts, and “white goods” (such as refrigerators, dishwashers, washers, and dryers) are not accepted.
- b. **Drop-off option** — For a fee, bulky items can be taken directly to the KC Disposal facility at 9137 Woodend Road, Edwardsville, KS.

### 10. How can I recycle glass?

While you cannot place glass in your recycling container, you can recycle your glass food and/or beverage containers of any color (including mason jars) in the Ripple Glass recycling bins located around Shawnee. There is no need to sort the glass by color and labels do not need to be removed. The Ripple Glass bins closest to Red Oak Hills are located at Central Bank of the Midwest, 15100 W. 67th St. and at Price Chopper, 22210 W 66th Street.

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### 11. How can I dispose of household hazardous waste?

There are two locations to take Hazardous Materials in Johnson County:

- a. Johnson County Household Hazardous Waste Facility at College Boulevard and Mastin Street (913) 715-6907  
[Hazardous Materials | Johnson County Kansas](#), and
- b. Olathe Household Hazardous Waste at 1420 S. Robinson Drive (913) 971-9311  
[Household Hazardous Waste & Product Re-Use Store | City of Olathe](#)

The two locations have different hours and requirements for appointments. Visit their websites or call to find out more details about appointments and what items are accepted.

For additional information you can visit the following City of Shawnee webpage: [Trash Collection, Recycling and Yard Waste - City of Shawnee](#)