Chicago, IL Sanitation Schedule

Hauler: City of Chicago Department of Streets and Sanitation (DSS) | Support Phone: 312-744-4611

REGULAR TRASH

Days: Mon - Fri (by zone)

Frequency: weekly

Cart Out: By 7:00 AM

Container Placement:

- Residential garbage from 1-4 uni...
- Place carts in the alley or at t...
- Keep cart lids tightly closed at...

RECYCLING GUIDE

Days: Same day as trash

Stream: single stream

Accepted in Bins (Clean & Dry):

[OK] Paper: newspaper, magazines, o...
[OK] Cardboard: clean flattened shi...
[OK] Plastics: clean bottles, jugs,...

Never in Bins (No Bags/Batteries):

[X] Plastic bags and plastic film ...
[X] Styrofoam food containers, cup...

BULK & YARD WASTE

Bulk: Yes (2 items max)

Rule: Arrange with ward superintende...

Notice: call 312-744-4611

Curbside Yard Waste:

Days: Same day as trash

- Leaves, grass clippings, branch...

2026 OBSERVED HOLIDAY DELAY SCHEDULE

Delay Strategy: one day slide

HOLIDAY	2026 DATE	WEEKDAY	COLLECTION IMPACT & SERVICE SHIFT
New Year's Day	2026-01-01	Thursday	Thu & Fri routes delayed 1 day
Martin Luther King Jr. Day	2026-01-19	Monday	Entire week delayed 1 day through Sat
Memorial Day	2026-05-25	Monday	Entire week delayed 1 day through Sat
Juneteenth	2026-06-19	Friday	Friday routes delayed to Saturday
Independence Day	2026-07-04	Saturday	Weekend holiday; routes unchanged
Labor Day	2026-09-07	Monday	Entire week delayed 1 day through Sat
Columbus Day	2026-10-12	Monday	Entire week delayed 1 day through Sat
Veterans Day	2026-11-11	Wednesday	Wed, Thu & Fri delayed 1 day
Thanksgiving Day	2026-11-26	Thursday	Thu & Fri routes delayed 1 day
Christmas Day	2026-12-25	Friday	Friday routes delayed to Saturday

CURBSIDE PLACEMENT & BEST PRACTICES:

- Space carts at least 3 to 5 feet apart from mailboxes, parked vehicles, and utility poles.
- Point cart handles toward your house and wheels against the curb or street pavement edge.
- Bag household trash to prevent windblown litter during automated side-loader truck collection.