



Working with your Collector

Property managers may contract for recycling service with their refuse collector, a separate service provider, or self-haul materials to a recycling center, if appropriate.

Residential and Commercial Tenants

If your property has both commercial and residential occupants, refuse and recycling service must be provided to all tenants. Commercial establishments can be required to obtain their own trash service.

Should lease terms dictate that non-residential tenants contract for individual trash service, the property manager may also require tenants to arrange their own recycling service. This provision does not exempt the property manager from educating tenants nor does it exempt tenants from recycling.

Questions to ask a Collection Company

- What materials do you accept for recycling?
- How should materials be prepared/sorted?
- Where will exterior recycling containers/dumpsters/compactors be placed? (It is recommended that recycling and trash containers be placed next to, or at least near trash dumpsters).
- How often will recyclables be picked up, and on what days?

Costs of Collection

Keep in mind that recycling is required in Fairfax County. Your collector should provide you with a service quote that includes recycling in the base price. Recycling service should never be optional.

