



## FORREST LAKE TOWNHOUSE ASSOCIATION

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# Trash Collection and Recycling

A reminder to all residents that all trash and garbage should be placed in bags in their trash can. This helps to prevent animals, etc. from gaining access to the trash and garbage. In addition, wet trash weighs four times that of dry trash. Our trash company is limited to 10 tons of trash per truck. So disposing of your trash and garbage properly helps our community clean and constrains our costs.

Section 3.04. of the Reservations, Restrictions and Easements (RRE) states that, “No Owner shall use or permit the use of his Townhouse or any other portion of the Property as a dumping ground for rubbish, trash, garbage or any other waste material. All Owners shall place their rubbish, trash, garbage and waste materials in sanitary, tightly closed, containers located (a) on days when no garbage pickup is scheduled, within the property lines of their Townhouse Site and (b) on days when garbage pickup is scheduled, at a site within the garage or carport assigned to each Owner’s Townhouse.”

While the Association years ago no longer requires closed containers when they distributed the barrels for use, trash must be placed in plastic bags and placed only within the trash can. The recycle container should be stored on the shelf that was installed a couple of years ago when the recycle program was adopted. The trash service does not pick up large items; e.g., box mattress. ALL trash must be within the trash area at the end of the carport storage closet. Please ensure that your trash or trash cans do not extend out into the driveway.

In addition, Section 3.11 of the RRE states that, “No Owner shall place or store, or permit the placement or storage of, anywhere on the Property, (a) any liquids, materials or equipment (i) which are dangerous, noxious, unsanitary or unsightly or (ii) except to the extent provided by the Developer or the Association, of any type whatsoever other than upon or within his Townhouse Site and (b) any items of any nature in any carport other than automobiles, boats or a combination thereof.”

The Board voted to approve the addition of recycling service to our trash collection contract effective October 1, 2019. Residents should have already received the 18 gallon recycle container in their carport. We installed wooden shelves in the trash area at the end of each carport to allow for the placement of two recycle containers. Recycle containers should remain on the shelves and not in the driveway

Below is the information about the recycling program:

- Recycle pick-up is every Friday.
- If you need additional space for your recycle materials, you may use additional containers of your own as long as they are labeled as RECYCLE and do not place additional recycle in the trash can area. Place additional recycle in the recycle bin shelf area only. Cardboard boxes should be collapsed.
- Do not place recycle materials in plastic bags as they will be put in the trash and not recycled.
- Recycle materials should be loose within the 18 gallon container.
- Materials that are eligible for recycling are:
  - Paper (newspaper, computer paper, envelopes, magazines, etc.)
  - Cardboard
  - Paperboard (shoeboxes, soda/cereal boxes, paper towel rolls, etc.)
  - Plastic #1-7 excluding Styrofoam
  - Glass bottles and jars
  - Aluminum and tin

If you have large pieces of Styrofoam; e.g., used as packing for electronic equipment, etc., you may recycle them at the City of Houston consumer recycling center at 5900 Westpark, Houston, TX 77057.