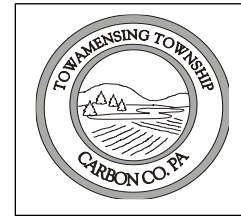


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COLLECTION RATES FOR THE JANUARY 1 – DECEMBER 31, 2017 BILLING YEAR

Regular Family - \$190.00
100% Disabled Veterans - \$105.00

Senior Citizen Couple - \$125.00

Single Senior Citizen - \$105.00
Active Duty Military - \$105.00

PROPERTY OWNERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR GARBAGE BILLS

"A garbage fee must be paid for any property improved with a building, whether the building is used or unused, occupied or unoccupied." - Garbage Ordinance 1980-2

A \$5.00 discount will apply for all payments received in full by January 31, 2017. Payments received from February 1 to February 28, 2017, will be processed at the billed rate. If payment is not received by March 1, 2017, the account will accrue a \$20.00 late fee that month and \$5.00 per month late fee thereafter.

There is a \$30.00 returned check fee for all NSF checks.

The Township Office now accepts most major credit/debit cards. If you wish to use your card, a processing fee will be applied. If there is a problem with the processing of your card after transaction is processed a \$30.00 fee will be assessed to your garbage bill.

Disabled Veterans: 100% disabled veteran's fee will be reduced from the family rate of \$190.00 to \$105.00 for the calendar year. You must provide the Township with documentation from the United States Dept. of Veterans' Affairs, each and every year you want to receive the discount.

Active Duty Military: If one or more of the heads of household are residing in the home for which garbage collection service is provided, and is on active military duty, your fee will be reduced from the family rate of \$190.00 to \$105.00. You must show proof to the Township Secretary to receive discount. Active duty orders and military I.D. are required.

Large Item Pickup: Pick up for large items, excluding TVs & electronics, will be on the 3rd Thursday of each month, weather and manpower permitting. Residents must contact the Township office no later than 3:00 p.m. of the previous Monday in order to schedule a pickup. This service is offered primarily to assist senior citizens and disabled residents. We still encourage all residents to bring their large items and electronics to the Spring & Fall Cleanup Event. (See page 2 for details.)

Garbage Information

Garbage must be set out for pickup by 6:00 a.m. on your designated collection day.

Per week limits are as follows:

- **FAMILY – (4) 20 GALLON BAGS** or the equivalent of 80 gallons per week
- **SENIOR CITIZEN COUPLE - (3) 20 GALLON BAGS** or the equivalent of 60 gallons per week^{***}
- **SINGLE SENIOR- (2) 20 GALLON BAGS** or the equivalent of 40 gallons per week^{***}

^{***}In order to receive senior citizen rates, you (couple or single) must be age 62 at the time of billing and have only senior citizens living in the home. Proof is required to receive discount (copy of valid ID).

There is a \$3.00 per bag charge for additional bags of garbage over the above, weekly limits.

Payment can be made by placing a check in an envelope attached to the additional bags or by paying in the office. You will be billed if prepayment is not made.

ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS:

1. Animal waste will not be accepted.
2. NO televisions or computers. There will be spring and fall recycling events. See second page for dates.
3. NO construction material of any kind: carpet, dry wall, paneling, ceiling material, bathroom fixtures, lumber, flooring, cabinets, molding, shingles or other roofing materials.
4. NO yard waste: grass cuttings, leaves, branches, etc. Residents are allowed to burn yard waste.
5. Garbage will be accepted in 20 gallon bags, or smaller, weighing less than 50 lbs. each.
6. Garbage cans broken in any way must be replaced.

7. Lids cannot be tied or chained to the cans.
8. Cans or bags of garbage must be placed within 3 feet of the road, be clearly visible and should not be hidden by bushes or mail boxes.
9. Ash must be bagged for pickup. Please make sure that the ashes are COLD before placing them in bags. Ash can also be brought to the township building and placed in the salt shed.
10. Please do not bring bags of garbage to the township building. If you have missed your pickup day, save the bags for the following week.

*The garbage crew is not required to pick up any garbage over 50 lbs. or containers over 33 gallons. Crew is not required to pick up garbage that has been scattered on the ground, due to wind, animals or broken bags.

Recycling Information

FOR WORKER SAFETY, PLEASE REMOVE ALL CAPS FROM THE PLASTIC AND GLASS

Acceptable Items:

Plastics #1 & #2 (soda/water bottles, milk jugs, detergent bottles)
 Newspaper (do not bundle)
 Glass bottles & jars
 Cereal & Cracker type boxes
 Office & school paper (all colors)
 Aluminum, steel & tin cans

Phone books
 Brown paper bags
 Magazines & catalogs
 Junk mail & envelopes
 Cardboard (broken down)
 Shredded paper (must be in bags)

- Scrap metal is accepted. Call the office for specific information on when and where to drop it off.
- Waste motor oil is accepted for use in our burner as long as no other materials such as water or anti-freeze are mixed with the oils. Cooking oil/grease is accepted as long as it is not mixed with any other material.
- Tires, with or without rims, are accepted for recycling. There is a charge of \$3.00 each for regular-sized tires. We also accept tractor/trailer-sized tires, with or without rims, for a charge of \$7.00 each. These fees must be paid in the office during regular business hours when dropping them off. Thanks!

Unacceptable Items:

Garbage
 Paper Towels/Napkins
 Propane/Helium Tanks
 Plastic Strapping

Food Waste
 Aluminum Foil
 Wood
 Ropes/Cords

Food Tainted Items
 Styrofoam
 Plastic Toys
 Rubber Hoses

Plastic Bags
 PVC Pipe
 Batteries
 Tarps/Plastic Sheets

- **Not all plastics are recyclable. Plastic containers must have a recycling symbol & number on the bottom of the container to be recycled.**
- **Please do not throw bags full of recycling into recycling slots. Place the individual items in their designated area.**
- **Please rinse bottles & cans before disposal.**

THE FOLLOWING HOLIDAYS WILL AFFECT YOUR COLLECTION.

If your normal pick up day is on a holiday, then your pick up day will be the next business day.

January 2, 2017 pickup will be January 3, 2017.
 May 29, 2017 (Memorial Day) pickup will be May 30, 2017
 September 4, 2017 (Labor Day) pickup will be Sept. 5, 2017
 December 25-27 pickups will be December 27-29, 2017

January 12, 2017 is Christmas tree pickup day
 July 4 (Independence Day) pickup will be July 5, 2017
 November 27, 2017 pickup will be November 28, 2017

**If there is inclement weather, your trash collection will take place the next available work day.

Spring and Fall Recycling/Clean-up Events – April 8 & 9 & September 23 & 24, 2017

Event Hours: Saturday - 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Sunday - 8:00 a.m. to Noon

Towamensing Township does not pick up large items at your residence. Please **bring** your large items to the Township building on the above weekends. We will accept furniture, mattresses, box springs, computers, appliances, household items, paint (preferably dried), exercise equipment, etc.

There is a **charge** to dispose of some equipment, TVs, appliances with coolant, & tires.
 We will not accept yard waste, construction material or animal waste at these events.

Office hours are M – F, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Closed for lunch from 12:00 to 12:30 p.m.

If you have any questions, please contact the office during regular business hours and the staff will be able to assist you.

The Supervisors, Staff and Crew want to thank you in advance for your cooperation!