

Garbage & Recycling must be at curb by 7 am.

Collection time/schedule is subject to change.

Tree Recycling Depots open: December 26, 2025

Leaf & Yard Waste pickup: October 15 & November 12, 2025



Garbage



Recycling



Leaf & Yard Waste



3rd Item

JULY		
WED	2	
WED	9	
WED	16	
WED	23	
WED	30	

AUGUST		
WED	6	
WED	13	
WED	20	
WED	27	

SEPTEMBER		
WED	3	
WED	10	
WED	17	
WED	24	

OCTOBER		
WED	1	
WED	8	
WED	15	
WED	22	
WED	29	

NOVEMBER		
WED	5	
WED	12	
WED	19	
WED	26	

DECEMBER		
WED	3	
WED	10	
WED	17	
*DATE CHANGE		
TUES	23	
*DATE CHANGE		
TUES	30	

GARBAGE COLLECTION

- At the curb before 7 am collection day or after 4 pm on the previous day
- Maximum 2 items:
 - 1 item = 1 can or bag of garbage;
 - 3rd item collected only if tagged
- Wrap broken glass/sharp objects
- Wrap, double bag & seal animal waste
- No item tag needed for 3rd item on the first collection day after New Year's, Victoria Day & Labour Day
- For garbage cart details, refer to thunderbay.ca/waste

LEAF & YARD WASTE COLLECTION

- Leaves, bundled branches and garden waste collection (spring & fall)
- No grass clippings
- Kraft (paper bags) only – no bag limit
- Bundle branches with rope – must be less than 1 m/39" long; less than 61 cm/24" diameter

CONTAINER BY-LAW REQUIREMENTS

- Maximum weight per item 18 kg/40 lbs
- Cardboard boxes may NOT be used for waste

BAGS



- Black or green only
- 1.5 mm thick
- Tied to prevent spillage

Minimum Size: 66 cm wide x 91 cm high (26" x 36")

Maximum weight: 18 kg (40 lbs.)

CANS



- Durable plastic/metal containers with handles & tight-fitting lid (not secured to can)

Maximum combined weight of can & contents: 18 kg (40 lbs.)

Maximum volume: 135 L (30 gal)

Maximum height: 81 cm (32") without lid

SAFETY TIPS

- No liquid waste, medical sharps (needles)
- Construction waste (plaster) not accepted
- Place garbage at ground level (not on snowbanks)

COLLECTION REMINDER SERVICE

Download the app, or sign up for email or phone reminders
thunderbay.ca/Recollect
or call 807-625-2195



FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:

Garbage: 807-625-2195
Recycling (GFL): 844-870-4351

THUNDER BAY SOLID WASTE & RECYCLING FACILITY

Landfill Site Hotline: 807-623-5756

WEEKDAYS: 8 am-6:30 pm

SATURDAYS: 8 am-4:30 pm

SUNDAYS: CLOSED

Questions? Call 807-625-2195

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Tree Recycling Depots close: January 12, 2026

Leaf & Yard Waste: May 13 & June 10, 2026



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3rd Item

JANUARY		
WED	7	  
WED	14	
WED	21	 
WED	28	

FEBRUARY		
WED	4	 
WED	11	
WED	18	 
WED	25	

MARCH		
WED	4	 
WED	11	
WED	18	 
WED	25	
*DATE CHANGE		
TUES	31	 

APRIL		
WED	8	
WED	15	 
WED	22	
WED	29	 

MAY		
WED	6	
WED	13	  
WED	20	 
WED	27	 

JUNE		
WED	3	
WED	10	  
WED	17	
WED	24	 
*DATE CHANGE		
TUES	30	

GENERAL INFORMATION

- Dumping on streets or public property is illegal
- Householder is responsible for clean-up of improperly set out garbage

BLUE LID - CONTAINERS

- Glass, metal food & beverage containers
- Pop cans
- Clean aluminum foil containers
- Plastic containers with #1 to #7 symbol
- Tetra Paks & milk cartons

GREY LID - PAPER

- Newspapers, flyers, magazines, catalogues
- Household fine paper
- Paper egg cartons
- Boxboard boxes (e.g. cereal)
- Corrugated cardboard

RECYCLING DEPOTS

- Front St. at McIntyre St.
- Mountdale Ave. at Walsh St.
- Solid Waste & Recycling Facility
Mon. - Fri. 8 am-6:30 pm
Saturdays - 8 am-4:30 pm
Closed Sundays & holidays

CURBSIDE RECYCLING AND TIPS

- Sort your recyclables before placing them in your recycling cart. Place paper/cardboard materials in your grey lid and containers in your blue lid.
- Flatten and break down cardboard boxes. For excess cardboard that does not fit in cart, place in bundles beside cart (3 ft x 2 ft x 1 ft) broken down flat & tied with string.
- Place cart out by 7 am., on a flat surface, clear of snow and ice, at least 3 feet from fences, vehicles, or garbage.
- Place cart at the curb so that the wheels are away from the curb (toward your home).
- * Check circularmaterials.ca/thunderbay for an update in 2026.

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THUNDER BAY SOLID WASTE & RECYCLING FACILITY
5405 Mapleward Road

Vehicles are charged based on weight of load. \$10 for less than 120 kg.
Subject to change.

Loads must be secured and covered. Before leaving home, sort your load so materials can be taken off in these laydown areas:

- Recycling depot*
- Household Hazardous Waste Depot
- Electronic waste bin
- Metal bin
- Garbage bin
- Tire bin
- Leaf & yard waste compost area

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