

Recycling, Brush Disposal, and Bulk Pick-Up for Horseshoe Bay Residents

Recently, Horseshoe Bay residents utilizing the City's Recycling Center have mistakenly placed non-recyclable items and household trash into the blue recycling-only bins. While the City offers a place to dispose of household trash and brush, as well as bulk pick-up options, it is important that residents wanting to recycle understand what items that may be placed in the blue bins, also referred to as "hoppers."

What can be recycled

Recyclable items include plastic bottles and containers, paper, glass bottles and containers, flattened cardboard and paperboard, and empty food and beverage cans. To view the full list of recyclable items, please visit the City's website at www.horseshoe-bay-tx.gov/recycle.

As Horseshoe Bay now has single-stream recycling, all recyclable items may go into any blue bin. Single-stream recycling allows residents to combine mixed paper items (newspaper, junk mail, cereal boxes, cardboard) and containers (aluminum and steel cans, glass jars and bottles, plastic bottles) into a single bin **without** sorting them first.

Please note, residents must break down cardboard boxes prior to bringing them to the recycling center. When residents arrive at the center, they will see the blue "hoppers" in the center drop-off circle. The seven hoppers can **all** be used for single-stream recycling material but **only** recycling material!

What cannot be recycled

Residents should NOT put any of the following items into the blue recycling hoppers: food, liquids, foam cups and containers, green waste (brush, tree limbs, etc.), batteries, loose plastic bags or film, clothing, furniture, household trash, and carpet. There is one blue bin in the center of the blue hoppers with a black lid that may be used for plastic bags only.

It is vitally important that household waste that cannot be recycled is not placed in the blue hoppers. When this occurs, City employees must sort through the blue hoppers to extricate the trash items. For household trash, please locate the bin labeled "Household Trash" near the Recycling Center office, which is to the right as you enter the facility.

Have a question about what can and cannot be recycled?

If you visit the Recycling Center and are uncertain about which bins to use or need to use the brush disposal site, please visit the Recycling Center office. You may also call ahead to inquire at 512-755-3257.

Brush disposal

For residents of Horseshoe Bay and permitted commercial customers that are hauling brush from within the corporate boundaries of the City of Horseshoe Bay, brush disposal is available at the Recycling Center. Operating hours for the brush disposal site are the same

as the Recycling Center, however, Recycling Center employees ask that residents arrive at least thirty minutes prior to closing when utilizing the brush disposal site. Please note, the site may be closed due to wet weather conditions. Please call ahead to verify if the site is open if it has rained recently.

Use of the brush disposal site is free to City residents; however, a recent HSB garbage bill and valid ID are required to enter. Commercial customers must show a copy of their annual permit and indicate the location within the Horseshoe Bay City limits where the brush originated.

Residents are allowed up to 50 cubic yards (12.5 truckloads) of brush within a 12-month period without cost. The material must be transported by the resident. If residents exceed 50 cubic yards, fees are applied to the additional volume.

Bulk pick-up scheduling

If you have a large item not accepted at the Recycling Center, you may contact the City to be placed on the bulk pick-up schedule. Bulk pick-up is available for residents every other Friday through Waste Management. These pick-ups must be scheduled and there is a maximum of 25 open bulk spots per Friday. Please contact Customer Service at 830-598-8741 to be placed on the next available bulk pick-up date.

Items that are accepted for bulk pick-up include carpet, household furniture, appliances, bundled moving boxes, and oversized waste customary to normal household operations. For a complete list of what is and is not accepted for bulk pick-up, as well as the 2026 bulk pick-up schedule, please visit www.horseshoe-bay-tx.gov/bulkpickup.

Holiday Tree Recycling

Residents can recycle their Christmas trees at the Recycling Center brush disposal site beginning December 26. Hours of operation are weekdays from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. (please arrive no later than 3:30 p.m.), and weekends from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., excluding January 1, which is an observed City holiday. All ornaments must be removed from holiday trees before disposal and a water bill is required to show proof of residency.

The center is located at 314 RM 2831, 0.1 miles north of Highway 71 on Highway 2831, near the City's Wastewater Treatment Plant. For questions, please contact the Recycling Center staff at 512-755-3257 or visit www.horseshoe-bay-tx.gov/recycle.