

Sec. 30-20. Regulations for the collection and disposal of garbage, paper and other refuse.

The following regulations shall govern the keeping, handling, collection, and disposition of all garbage, paper, and other refuse from private homes or apartments, and from places of business within the city:

(1)

All garbage, paper, and refuse shall be placed and kept in suitable containers of not more than 90-gallon capacity, constructed of substantial metal or plastic material, and shall have a tight-fitting lid or cover which will exclude rain and/or insects, with handles sufficiently strong for workmen to empty conveniently. No container, with contents, shall weigh more than 75 pounds. The can and/or container shall be maintained in as sanitary a condition as possible, in view of the use to which the same is put, and shall periodically be thoroughly cleansed as needed by washing, scalding, or otherwise cleansing.

(2)

The lids or covers on all cans shall, at all times, be kept secure and fastened so that flies and other insects, as well as dogs and scavengers, may not have access to the contents.

(3)

Only containers of metal or plastic, as described above, shall be used for the storage of garbage, and garbage shall not be stored outside of any building, other than in containers as described above. Garbage shall not be placed outside a building in plastic or paper bags, or other similar, nonsubstantial, materials and shall not be stored or placed outside a building in wooden or wire containers, enclosures, or receptacles.

(4)

The cans or containers in which the garbage is stored must not leak their contents.

(5)

The cans or containers in which the garbage is stored shall be furnished by the occupants of the homes, apartments or business establishments, at their own expense.

(6)

The cans or containers in which the garbage is stored shall be placed for collection on or near the property curb nearest the public road or street serving each respective building, and shall be placed in such location accessible to the personnel picking up such receptacles no earlier than on the evening preceding the day of collection, and all such containers shall be

removed from the curb on the day of collection or as soon thereafter as possible in the event the collection has been delayed.

(7)

The cans or containers in which the garbage is stored must be removed from curbside and no bins or other permanent structures are allowed to be maintained at curbside for the storage of garbage.

(8)

The cans or containers in which the garbage is stored shall be kept or maintained in a location so as to not be visible from a public street, or if that is not possible due to the location or construction of a structure, the cans or containers should be placed in the least conspicuous place possible.

(9)

Yard waste, including cuttings of grass and weeds and small branches and twigs shall be placed in clear plastic bags, or in bags clearly marked as weeds, branches, etc. and totally separated from any and all garbage and trash. All such bags may be placed on the curb in accordance with paragraph (6) of this section governing the placement of cans or containers for collection.

Limbs or branches not exceeding four feet in length nor four inches in diameter, and weighing not more than 50 pounds may be stacked neatly on curbside for collection by the city.

(10)

No hazardous waste shall be placed in any can or container for collection. Hazardous waste shall mean any chemical, compound, mixture, substance, or article which is designated by the United States Environmental Protection Agency or other appropriate agency of state or federal government to be "hazardous" as that term is defined by federal or state law.

(11)

No construction debris or waste building materials resulting from construction, remodeling, repair, or demolition operation shall be placed in cans or containers for collection. All such debris must be removed by the property owner or by contractual arrangements with a private hauler made by the property owner.

(12)

Bulky waste such as household appliances, including but not limited to stoves, washing machines, dryers, window air conditioners, freezers, refrigerators and other similar items must be separated from other waste to allow for separate collection. Such items may be placed on the curb for collection, but in the event the item(s) are not picked up within one week of the date that they are placed on the curb, the property owner shall contact

the entity responsible for collection of garbage and trash and to make certain that the item(s) are picked up promptly. Commercial businesses are responsible for the removal and disposal of their own appliances promptly. No commercial business should allow old appliances to be stored on its premises so as to be visible from a public street.