GFL General Pick-Up Guidelines

All trash MUST be bagged prior to placement in cart/can.

**Aerosol Cans**- Hazardous waste- refer to city rules on how to dispose.

**Asphalt/Concrete/Bricks/Rocks**- We do not take. Call local crushed concrete business.

**Bathtubs**- standard size accepted, but needs to be cut in half.

**Batteries**- We do not take any batteries. Refer to household hazardous waste. AutoZone will recycle car batteries. Best Buy will recycle rechargeable batteries (less than 11 pounds). Cellphone batteries, laptop batteries and battery backups.

**Books**- can be placed in trash or recycle. If in recycling, remove hard covers from hard covered books. Try not to put too many books out at a time due to weight. These can also be donated to local library or shelter.

**Bullets**- we do not take. Call local police department for disposal guidelines.

**Cameras**- trash. Best Buy will recycle digital cameras and lenses.

**Cardboard boxes**- ALL boxes must be broken down and bundled & tied. (no bigger than 4ft x 4ft and will not take box with trash in it).

**Car Parts**- We do not take these.

**Carpets**- Must be cut 4’ or less, rolled, secured with tape or rope and under 60lbs.

**CD’s**- trash. Best Buy will recycle CD’s.
Coat Hangers- can be recycled, metal hangers are fine as long as they are not coated in plastic.

Computers- trash. Best Buy will recycle desktops, laptops and tablets.

Cooking Oil/Grease- We don’t take in large quantities. A small amount can be put in a sealed container, solidified and sealed and placed with the trash.

Couches/Furniture- we will take.

Electronics- trash or can be recycled at Best Buy. Great Lake Recycling recycles electronics. They also take scrap metal and junk cars. They have several locations.

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Florescent Bulbs or CFL’s- Hazardous waste- most hardware stores have collection boxes at the front of their store to dispose of these. If already broken, double bag and dispose of in regular trash.

Fungicides/Herbicides/Insecticides/Pesticides/Bug Spray- Hazardous waste. Refer to city rules on how to dispose.

Gasoline/Diesel Fuel/Kerosene- Hazardous waste- refer to city rules on how to dispose.

Glass- can be placed in a sturdy box, taped several times and marked glass. Or can be wrapped in several layers of paper and taped.

We do not take shower doors or glass door walls (the customer can break these up and contain them in a box marked “glass.”)

Hot Tubs - Must be cut into 4 sections.

Kerosene/Propane Tanks- we do not take these. Most places that sell these tanks will take them back.
Knives- Wrap in several layers of paper, seal with tape and dispose of in trash.

Lawnmowers- make sure there is no oil or gas in lawnmower, place out with regular trash, remove or break down handle, if possible. (We do not take riding lawnmowers.)

Liquid Waste- We are not responsible for.

Mattresses- we will take, but must to be wrapped in plastic. (can purchase mattress bags at Home Depot/Lowes)

Medical Sharps- refer to individual city guidelines. Must be placed in hard container (sealed detergent bottle or coffee can), sealed tight and labeled as “sharps” and can be placed with normal trash.

Medication- Do not flush down toilet or put in sink. Take to local Hazardous waste day or drop off center or call local pharmacies. They will either dispose of these for you or let you know proper way to do so. Also disposeofmeds.org is website that will help locate medication disposal programs in your area. If no other option, remove from original container, mix with either kitty litter or coffee grounds (to make undesirable to children and pets), put items in a tight sealed container and place in trash.

Motor Oil- We do not take. Most Auto store have collection site for used motor oil.

Paint- Oil-Based Paint- Hazardous waste and must be disposed of properly. Latex paint must be dried out (leave lid off and add kitty litter/sand to dry up quicker), leave lid off and place at curb with regular trash.

Pianos- we do not take.

Pool Tables- Break them down and place at curb as long as pieces fit requirements for pick up. (no longer than 4 feet).
**Radios**- trash. Best Buy will recycle iPods, MP3 players, chargers and MP3 speakers.

**Railroad ties**- we do not take.

**Refrigerators and Freezers**- doors must be removed. Freon must be removed in select cities so refer to individual city guidelines. If Freon removal required, call a refrigeration or heating & cooling company to remove Freon and it must have a verification of removal tag.

DTE will pick up running refrigerators and freezers. And they pay $50 to the resident. [https://empoweringmichigan.com/dte-energy-appliance-recycling/](https://empoweringmichigan.com/dte-energy-appliance-recycling/)

**Rubber Mulch**- will take in small quantities, bagged and with regular trash.

**Televisions**- can go with trash. Best Buy will recycle tube TV’s less than 32’, projectors, flat panel (LCS, Plasma, LED 60” and less), and portable TV’s. (see electronics category).

**Tires**- can be taken to local tire store or take to local Household Hazardous Waste day if city offers. Refer to city guidelines for verification on what is allowed.

**Toilets**- we will take.

**Water Heater**- we will take. All water needs to be removed.

**Wood**- no longer than 4ft. In length, must be bundled & tied and any nails/screws removed or pounded in.

**Yard Waste/Compost**- includes the following: grass clippings, garden waste, leaves, shrubs and tree trimmings. Must be in brown paper lawn bags or in 32 gallon can labelled “yard waste” or “compost.” (GFL will provide stickers upon request or some city offices will have) No dirt, sod, rocks or root balls.

Branches/twigs can be bundled and tied, but must be cut 4’ or less and weigh under 50lbs.
UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS:

Acid
Automobile Parts
Building Debris
Demolished Structures
Explosive Materials
Fertilizers
Gasoline & Gas Cans
Hot Ashes
Inflammable Logs
Masonry Dirt
Paints – Unless dried
Pesticides
Stumps
Thinners
Tires
Waste Oil
Weed Killers

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