

# Be Prepared for Fall + Winter Weather!

## Inclement Weather Garbage Collection + Flood Prevention Information



### Inclement Weather Waste Collection

If Waste Management determines that weather conditions prevent the safe collection of curbside garbage or recycling, please remove your carts from the street by the end of the day.

Up to twice the regular amount of garbage, recycling, and food/yard waste will be collected at no additional charge on your next regularly scheduled collection day. Credits will not be issued

for delayed collection due to inclement weather.

For up-to-the-minute service information, please visit the Waste Management Weatherboard website at [www.wmnorthwest.com/weatherboard](http://www.wmnorthwest.com/weatherboard) or call Waste Management Customer Service at 1-800-592-9995.



#### Plan Ahead for Weather

Consider purchasing an extra 32-gallon garbage can now, before snow falls. You can use it to store extra garbage during an inclement weather event and use it year-round for any extra yard waste or recyclables.

### Extra Materials After a Weather Delay

Up to twice the regular amount will be collected at no additional charge.

#### Extra Garbage

- Place next to your garbage cart in securely tied plastic bags or a 32-gallon can labeled "Garbage" (65 lb limit)

#### Extra Recyclables

- Boxed, bundled, or in brown paper bags labeled "Recycling" and placed next to your cart
- No plastic bags

#### Extra Food Scraps and Yard Trimmings

No materials larger than four inches in diameter or four feet in length.

Place next to your cart in:

- Heavy paper or polywoven yard bags
- 32-gallon cans with handles (65 lb. limit) labeled "Yard"
- Bundles tied with string or twine (4'x2' limit)
- No plastic bags

### Weather + Storm Updates

#### City Information

- Report road and flooding hazards within Kirkland to 425-587-3900
- Website: [www.kirklandwa.gov](http://www.kirklandwa.gov)
- Alerts via e-mail: Subscribe at [www.kirklandwa.gov/ebulletins](http://www.kirklandwa.gov/ebulletins)
- Electronic reader board signs at fire stations
- TV: Comcast channel 21 and 75, Frontier channel 31 and 32

#### Garbage Collection Delays

Waste Management, Inc.  
1-800-592-9995  
[www.wmnorthwest.com/weatherboard](http://www.wmnorthwest.com/weatherboard)

#### Transportation Information

King County Metro Transit  
206-553-3000  
[metro.kingcounty.gov/signup](http://metro.kingcounty.gov/signup)

King County Dept. of Transportation  
24/7 Road Helpline: 1-800-527-6237  
[www.kingcounty.gov/roads](http://www.kingcounty.gov/roads)

Sound Transit  
1-888-889-6368, TTY: Relay 711  
[www.soundtransit.org](http://www.soundtransit.org)

State Dept. of Transportation  
Travel Info: 511  
[www.wsdot.wa.gov/traffic/trafficalerts](http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/traffic/trafficalerts)

Recycling Hotline: 425-587-3812

24-Hour Spill/Flooding Hotline: 425-587-3900

Get green tips: @KirklandEnviro

[facebook.com/KirklandEnviro](https://facebook.com/KirklandEnviro)

[kirklandwa.gov/enviroblog](http://kirklandwa.gov/enviroblog)

## Prevent Winter Flooding! Adopt a Storm Drain

Leaves and debris can block rain water from flowing into storm drains and often cause localized flooding. Adopt a storm drain - help Public Works keep streets safe and clear and reduce property damage caused by flooding.

**1. Sign up to Adopt a Storm Drain near your home and get a reusable leaf bag.** No charge for extra yard waste picked up in the bag. Sign up at [www.kirklandwa.gov](http://www.kirklandwa.gov) (search Adopt a Drain) or call 425-587-3858.



**2. Clear leaves and other debris from the top of the storm drain grate.** Place material cleared in the reusable leaf bag or appropriate waste container.

## 24/7 Spill/Flooding Hotline

# 425-587-3900

Report flooding and spills in Kirkland, 24 hours a day! Help prevent flooding and keep our streams, lakes and wetlands healthy.



## Holiday Service Schedule

Collection service is not provided on Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, and New Year's Day.

Normally, if your service falls on or one day after these holidays, your scheduled collection will be delayed one day that week. However, since Christmas and New Year's fall on a Sunday this year, your regular service schedule will be unaffected during those weeks.

For the Thanksgiving week, Thursday customers will be collected on Friday November 25 and Friday customers will be collected on Saturday, November 26.

## "Grate" Tips to Keep Your Storm Drain Clean

### Do!

- Before, during and after a storm, check the drain grate and the surrounding area to make sure they are debris-free.
- Use a rake to remove debris from the storm drain and gutter. Place the material in yard waste, trash or recycling container.
- Call Public Works Maintenance at 425-587-3900 if flooding is severe and you are unable to clear the drain.

### Don't!

- Do not remove the grate from the drain opening. This does not unclog the system and creates a hazard for everyone.
- Do not rake or blow leaves from your property into the street.