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Evansville's Heavy Trash Pickup Goes Year-round With More Items Accepted

EVANSVILLE, IND. – Changes to the Evansville Water and Sewer Utility's heavy trash service now make it easier for residential customers to dispose of heavy trash throughout the year. The service has moved from two dedicated heavy trash days annually to pickups scheduled by the customer as often as every two weeks, except during fall leaf collection, which runs November through mid-December. Customers benefit by knowing a specific heavy trash pickup date and from less mess sitting curbside.

How it works

1. Customers must call the Republic Services Customer Resource Center at (800) 886-3345 to schedule a pickup for a specific day.
2. The day before the scheduled pickup, the customer will place the item where they normally place trash and recycle.
3. A collection truck will pick it up.

Heavy Trash – What's Allowed and What's Not

One item is accepted per pickup, except for items that are usually a pair, such as a mattress and a box spring or a table and chairs.

Allowable items include:

- Appliances – Such as a stove, washer, dryer, water heater, and refrigerator or freezer with refrigerants removed and tagged by a certified professional – and meeting the City's safety guidelines regarding disposal
- Carpet – One rolled section that is less than 4 feet long and 2 feet around
- Electronics – Stereo, radio, etc.
- Furniture – Such as a sofa, table, chair, mattress, box spring, dresser or bookcase
- Household items and tools – Like a rake or shovel
- Limited construction and building material – In one container; no boxes, bags, loose piles or stacks

Items not allowed include:

- Auto parts – Like batteries and tires
- Electronics – TV, computer, computer parts or accessories
- Construction materials – Such as concrete blocks, bricks, steel poles or privacy fencing
- Hazardous materials – Any materials that are hazardous to humans or animals

Handling an Extra-bulky Item

Bulky items that cannot be reasonably lifted by two people or will not fit inside the collection truck, such as a swing set, are considered a special collection and will not be accepted. Customers may ask Republic Services or another disposal service provider for a quote on the cost of removal.

Who's Eligible for Heavy Trash Service

Heavy trash service is available to City residents who pay for trash service with their water bill. Apartment complexes, mobile home communities, business and commercial customers, and County residents are not eligible.

Spring Yard Waste and Fall Leaf Collection

The [spring yard waste program](#) remains unchanged and will be conducted April 5-30, 2021. Leaf collection will be offered in November and the first two weeks in December.

More information on the City's heavy trash program is available at www.ewsu.com/heavytrash.

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About EWSU

Evansville Water and Sewer Utility (EWSU) provides high-quality, safe and dependable water and sewer services to more than 63,000 customers in Vanderburgh County and parts of Gibson, Posey and Warrick counties. EWSU maintains more than 1,000 miles of water lines, 800 miles of sewer lines, 15,000 hydrants, seven water storage facilities, two wastewater treatment plants and one water filtration plant. The utility also manages the City's street sweeping and trash and recycling contracts. EWSU meets or exceeds all state and federal Safe Drinking Water Act standards while protecting land and water resources for future generations.