

NEWS RELEASE



The City of Brockville's Response to COVID-19

IMMEDIATE RELEASE

April 8, 2020 - 2:00 pm - Press Release: Blue Box Collection

The City of Brockville will resume the curbside collection of blue box recycling materials as of April 13, 2020.

The past two weeks have allowed for City Staff and GFL to work together to put safe collection procedures and safety precautions in place for the frontline workers. To further reduce the risk, residents are asked to wash and rinse all plastics, cans and glass before placing them in the bin for pickup.

Residents are reminded that if any of the following items are in a blue box, it will NOT be collected:

- Facial tissues
- Sanitary wipes (i.e. baby wipes, alcohol wipes)
- Food waste
- Medical waste of any kind (sharps, face masks, medication bottles, gloves)

Garbage collection will continue; any loose garbage (i.e. not in garbage cans) MUST be bagged and tied closed for it to be collected. Loose garbage in cans will not be handled by collection staff. For extra protection, residents are asked to double bag any tissues, gloves, masks, and hygiene products before collection.

The City's Compost Facility located at the Gord Watts Municipal Centre on North Augusta Road will remain closed until further notice.

The City of Brockville thanks all residents for their cooperation and understanding during these trying times.

Additionally, there will be NO GARBAGE COLLECTION on Good Friday (April 10, 2020), collection will be moved to Saturday April 11, 2020. No change for Easter Monday, April 13, 2020.

The City would also like to remind and encourage everyone to follow the recommendations of our public health agency.

- Properly wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or with an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
- Engage in proper cough or sneeze etiquette, including but not limited to covering your mouth and nose with your bent elbow or tissue when you cough or sneeze and disposing of used tissues immediately
- Avoid touching eyes, nose and mouth
- Refrain from shaking hands with another person
- Practice social distancing of at least 2 metres
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces

If you have symptoms of a respiratory illness of any kind (e.g. fever, coughing, shortness of breath, etc.) you are asked to stay home and seek medical treatment.

The City of Brockville continues to review the situation on a day to day basis while we take all necessary precautions towards the spread of COVID-19.

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