

# “City of Portage” Bulk Item Policy

“**Bulk Item**” definition: Any item or object located outside of your “City of Portage” black lid toter set at the curb, easement or end of property for disposal.

Each Residential dwelling unit that pays a monthly garbage collection fee is entitled to place bulk items outside of their “City of Portage” toter on their first trash day (**Amnesty Day**) of the month for collection. All bulk items must be reported by leaving your name, address and phone number with the Sanitation Department 24 hours before for your collection by calling 762-4564 or email [PSD@portage-in.com](mailto:PSD@portage-in.com) . Placing bulk items at the curb gives permission to the city for disposal.



If you are exceeding your green lid toter in recycling material, you may request an additional recycling toter at no extra cost. If you want extra black lid City of Portage toters for your residence, please contact our Department office. The cost per black lid toter is half the amount of the regular trash fee per month and a minimum of a one year obligation. Property owners with delinquent balances greater than \$100.00 on Portage utility bills will be denied extra toters until balance is paid in full.

Amnesty Day or free bulk item pickups are not to exceed the 40 square foot curb rule. All bulk items placed within an area of 4 feet wide X 10 feet long X 5 feet maximum height. This includes items such as, but is not limited to ...

- ✓ ALL personal trash cans,
- ✓ Up to four (4) car tires.
- ✓ kitchen appliances, tables, chairs;
- ✓ water heaters, washers and dryers;
- ✓ furniture, mattress sets or dressers;
- ✓ E-waste (TV, computers, monitors, printers, electronics)
- ✓ Carpet/padding rolled and taped into bundles no longer than five foot lengths,
- ✓ deck wood material cut into bundles no longer than five foot lengths,
- ✓ wood fencing cut into bundles no longer than five foot lengths,
- ✓ wood sheds cut into bundles no longer than five foot lengths
- ✓ waste/debris from small non-permit household remodeling projects will need to be placed in large heavy duty construction type trash bags not to exceed 50lbs each.

**Special Notes: Grass clippings, common earth dirt, sod, sand, stone, landscape blocks, river rock, cinder blocks, bricks, asphalt, concrete or roofing shingles are NOT allowed in toters and are NOT allowed as bulk items. These items cannot be disposed of through city services.**

- Required city permitted remodeling / construction projects require on-site dumpsters. Such debris material cannot be disposed of through city services.
- Bulk items placed out for collection at the curb on the non-Amnesty Day of the month totaling 40 square feet or less have a minimum service fee of \$25.00 charged to the owner.
- Bulk items placed at the curb at any time during the calendar month exceeding the 40 square foot rule have a minimum service fee of \$100.00 or more charged to the owner.