

LandfillLink

Bring Us **ALL** of Your Batteries for Recycling

The Solid Waste Agency now accepts ALL batteries for recycling. Drop them off in the Resource Recovery Building at 1954 County Home Road in Marion. The collection includes ALL battery types and sizes – alkaline, rechargeable, button, lithium and lead-acid.

If not disposed of properly, many batteries can spark fires or explosions. Some batteries contain hazardous chemicals that can be harmful to your family and pets. If landfilled, these batteries can contaminate land and waterways.



Tipping Fee Changes Begin July 1

A new budget year for the Solid Waste Agency will begin July 1, 2025, and includes increases to garbage and yard waste tipping fees.

Rates Changing July 1, 2025

Standard Landfill

\$50.00/ton (increase of \$2/ton) Minimum \$22

Yard & Wood Waste

\$32.00/ton (increase of \$2/ton) Minimum \$15

Many fees will not change. See all fees on the last page of this LandfillLink.

Yard Waste & Organics Drop-off ONLY at A Street SW Location

A friendly reminder that yard waste is only accepted at the Solid Waste Agency compost location – 2250 A Street SW, Cedar Rapids.

This is where yard waste, food waste, tree debris and other organic materials are processed into compost or wood chips.

Yard waste drop off is NOT allowed at the 1954 County Home Road location in Marion since it cannot be processed at this facility.

Most communities in Linn County offer yard waste collection or operate a yard waste drop-off area for resident use. The table at right outlines these services. Contact your community's city hall for your yard waste drop-off location or more detailed information.



A Scarab works through compost at the Solid Waste Agency compost facility.

Yard Waste Drop-off Options by Community

Solid Waste Agency compost location is at 2250 A Street SW, Cedar Rapids.

Alburnett	Limited compost for local residents only. Accept leaves and branches no larger than 6-in. diameter or 12-ft. long.
Bertram	Take to Solid Waste Agency compost location.
Center Point	Yard waste/compost site for local residents only. Branches no larger than 6-in. diameter.
Central City	Yard waste/compost site for local residents only.
Coggon	Yard waste/compost site for local residents only. Cameras on site.
Ely	Yard waste/compost site for grass clippings and leaves for local residents only.
Fairfax	Curbside yard waste collection; no drop-off location. Take to Solid Waste Agency compost location.
Hiawatha	No drop-off location. Take to Solid Waste Agency compost location.
Lisbon	Curbside yard waste collection; no drop-off location. Take to Solid Waste Agency compost location.
Marion	Yard waste/compost site for local residents only.
Mount Vernon	Yard waste/compost site for local residents only.
Palo	No drop-off location. Take to Solid Waste Agency compost location.
Prairieburg	Small branches/twigs drop-off site for local residents only; no grass clippings or leaves.
Robins	No drop-off location. Take to Solid Waste Agency compost location.
Springville	Yard waste/compost site for local residents only.
Walker	Yard waste/compost site for local residents only. Cameras on site.

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Member Communities

Cedar Rapids, Linn County

Associate Members

Alburnett, Bertram, Center Point, Central City,
Coggon, Ely, Fairfax, Hiawatha, Lisbon, Marion,
Mount Vernon, Palo, Robins, Springville,
Prairieburg, Walker

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Board Meetings

Third Tuesday of each month at 1:30 p.m.

Meeting agendas and minutes can be
downloaded from the Agency's website

solidwasteagency.org

Summer Hours Begin April 1

Landfill & Resource Recovery Building
1954 County Home Road – Marion

Monday - Friday 7 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Saturday by Appointment or Account Only

**No appointment or no account =
no admittance on Saturdays!**



Compost & Yard Waste

2250 A Street SW – Cedar Rapids

Monday - Friday 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Saturday 8 a.m. - 12 p.m.

**Schedule Your Saturday
Appointment at
*solidwasteagency.org***

You must schedule an appointment to use the landfill or Resource Recovery building (1954 County Home Road, Marion) on a Saturday. Appointments are not needed Monday through Friday as there is less traffic congestion.

If you do not have an appointment or commercial account when visiting on a Saturday, *you will be turned away.*

Mount Trashmore Re-Opens in the Spring

Trails will open when weather permits.

As a closed landfill, Mount Trashmore is a regulated site, which means access cannot be unrestricted. The goal is to give visitors as much access as possible.

Planned hours for 2025 will be:

Tuesday-Friday 9 a.m.-7 p.m.

Saturday 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Sunday 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Monday Closed

The latest Mount Trashmore information can be found at **solidwasteagency.org**.



Don't forget to
sign up for the 2025
Mount Trashmore
Challenge!



Check-In Process

Since Mount Trashmore is a regulated and permitted waste management site, visitors are required to check in at kiosks located inside Recreation Building 948.

After checking in for the first time, you may choose to have a QR code sent to your mobile device. On your next visit, simply scan your code for quick check-in.

**A new check-in and code
will be required each
spring at the beginning
of a new season.**



**Reminder of what CANNOT be recycled in Linn County.
Go ahead and throw these materials in the garbage!**

Not Accepted



No Styrofoam

Foam cups, plates
Party cups
Egg cartons
Packing peanuts
Carry-out food containers
Formed packing pieces

No Plastic Bags or Wrap

Grocery bags
Zip-top bags
Plastic wrap
Bread wrappers
Chip bags
Garbage bags
Pet food/feed bags
Plastic packaging
Shipping envelopes
Bubble wrap
Salt bags

No Plate Glass

Windows
Mirrors
Fish Tanks

No Glassware

Ceramics
China
Glassware
Lightbulbs

No Used Paper Products

Paper plates
Paper cups
Paper towels
Tissues, wipes
Tablecloths
Wrapping paper
Padded envelopes

No Shredded Paper

No Aluminum Foil or Pans

No Rigid Plastics

Pet litter pails
Buckets
Paint containers
Laundry baskets
Garbage cans
Storage boxes
Hangers
Flower pots
Toys

Not All Materials Can Be Recycled

Recycling is market-driven. Anything could be recycled IF there is a demand for that product. Unfortunately, recycling markets have decreased in recent years.

Recycle symbols DO NOT guarantee it's recyclable



This symbol indicates the type of plastic used to make the product. For instance, Styrofoam and red picnic cups are both a number 6 made from low-density polystyrene. There is no market for recycling this type of plastic in Linn County.

What happens if I try to recycle something that is NOT recyclable?

Unaccepted items in the recycling stream can contaminate an entire load of materials. Recycling processing centers reject loads that contain non-accepted items. If rejected, the materials are trucked back to the landfill for disposal. This added time and fuel consumption increases the overall costs for recycling.

**SolidWaste
Agency**
Cedar Rapids - Linn County

(319) 377-5290

1954 County Home Road, Marion

For the most up-to-date information, visit
www.SolidWasteAgency.org

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Keep non-accepted materials out of the recycling stream!

Make your recycling and waste reduction efforts count!

- 1** Make sure items to be recycled are **empty, clean, and dry!**
- 2** Choose reusable grocery bags and water bottles.
- 3** Limit your use of single-use disposable items. For instance, decline a straw or lid on your drink when dining in.
- 4** Purchase reusable durable cookware such as glass or metal pie plates and roasting pans.
- 5** Packaging materials are a large part of our waste stream. Be aware of the amount of packaging an item has and consider similar items with less packaging.

Cover Your Load!

An uncovered load like this will be fined at the Solid Waste Agency.



The Solid Waste Agency wants to make sure all roads leading to the landfill are safe and clean. That is why loads entering the Agency must be covered or secured. Pickups and trailers need to have a tarp over them. Garbage and dump trucks, too. Loads with bulky items like couches and mattresses need to be tied down securely.

Uncovered or unsecured loads will be fined up to \$50 at the scale house. If you are pulled over by law enforcement on the way to the landfill for material blowing or falling from your vehicle, you can receive a ticket for more than \$360!

Stay safe and save your money by covering and securing your load!

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Marion: 319-377-5290
1954 County Home Rd
Marion, Iowa 52302

Regular Hours (April-November)	Monday-Friday Saturday*	7 a.m.-4 p.m. 8 a.m.-12 p.m.
Winter Hours (December-March)	Monday-Friday Saturday*	7 a.m.-4 p.m. 8 a.m.-12 p.m.

**Saturdays by appointment or account only*

Garbage (Landfill)

- \$50 per ton** \$22 minimum
- Flat Rates for Personal Vehicles
 - Cars - \$12/vehicle
 - SUVs, Crossovers, Wagons, Minivans - \$15/vehicle
 - Pickup Trucks, Full-Size Vans - \$22/vehicle
 - Box Trucks, Cargo Vans - \$50 minimum; will be weighed, includes U-Haul, Ryder, Penske trucks.
 - Bulky Loads - \$80 per ton, see list on website
 - Mattresses - \$20 ea. (separate charge from garbage tonnage/flat rates)
 - Loads may be weighed at scale house discretion.
 - Tipping fee doubles for loads containing recyclable cardboard; fines issued for other banned materials.
 - All loads must be covered and secured. Fine for noncompliance: \$25 residential/\$100 commercial.
 - Payment due at time of service – cash, credit/debit card, or business check.
 - ***Yard waste, brush & tree debris NOT accepted at this location.***

Hazardous Materials Drop-Off

FREE to Linn County Residents
(Businesses call for pricing) Drop off items in the Resource Recovery Building to safely dispose of hazardous materials such as paint and lawn chemicals. *See website for list of accepted items.*

FREE Paint, Cleaners, Etc.

Pick Up for FREE
Hazardous materials received that can still be used are available “as is.” Inventory changes daily.

Sign-up for text alerts about weather-related closures. Text “Agency1” to 319-343-3861.

Customers are responsible for unloading their vehicles or trailers!
Agency staff are not authorized to help with unloading.

Fees and hours subject to change without notice.

For the most up-to-date information visit solidwasteagency.org

**Agency services provided to
Linn County residents
at these two locations**

Cedar Rapids: 319-398-5163
2250 A Street, SW
Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52404

Regular Hours (April-November)	Monday-Friday Saturday	8 a.m.-4 p.m. 8 a.m.-12 p.m.
Winter Hours (December-March)	Monday-Friday Saturday	8 a.m.-4 p.m. closed

Mt. Trashmore Trails & Overlook

solidwasteagency.org/mount-trashmore

- Check website for hours
- All trail users must check in and bicyclists must sign liability waiver.

***No Landfill/Garbage or Recycling
Drop-Off at this Location***

Yard Waste & Brush Disposal

- \$32 per ton; \$15 minimum**
- No longer accepts loads of tree debris brought in by semi-trailers, side-dump trailers, dump trucks, or other large equipment used in land-clearing.
 - Accepts commercial loads, all trailer loads, and any size residential loads.
 - Brush, tree limbs, stumps less than 12" diameter, plant/grass clippings, leaves, Christmas trees.

Bulk Compost Pick-Up

FREE to Linn County Residents
\$32 per ton Commercial/business customers

Wood Chip Pick-Up

No Charge - while supplies last
Call first for availability 319-398-5163

Residential Recycling

(Businesses call for pricing)

Drop off recycling at the
Resource Recovery Building
1954 County Home Rd
Marion, Iowa 52302
319-377-5290

Items must be EMPTY, CLEAN & DRY!

RECYCLING	NOT ACCEPTED	FEE
Antifreeze - Motor Oil - Oil Filters Must be in 5-gallon or smaller container(s)	20-gallon limit	FREE
Appliances - Includes PCB ballasts, microwaves, refrigerators, dehumidifiers, water heaters, etc.		\$10 ea.
Batteries - All battery types and sizes		FREE
Bicycles	No bike helmets	FREE
Books - Hardcover and softcover		FREE
Cardboard	No wax-coated, stained or greasy items	FREE
CDs - DVDs - VHS Tapes - Includes cases		FREE
Electronics - Copiers, printers, vacuum cleaners, stereos, computers, etc. <i>See TVs/monitors below.</i>	No Bulk loads – take bulk items directly to an electronics processor	FREE
Fluorescent Bulbs - (businesses \$1.32 per bulb)		FREE
Glass - Jars, bottles	No windows or sheet glass, mirrors, dishes, fish tanks, ceramics, light bulbs	FREE
Paper Products	No shredded paper, spiral notebooks, 3-ring binders, wrapping paper, photographs	FREE
Plastics - Containers #1 and #2 ONLY <i>There are currently no recycling markets for #3, #4, #5, #6 or #7 plastics.</i>	No Styrofoam, plastic bags/film/wrap, pet food/feed bags, rigid plastic buckets, garbage cans, laundry baskets, flower pots, toys, hoses	FREE
Scrap Metal	No aluminum foil/pans, wire hangers, silverware	FREE
Syringes/Sharps	No sharps from home health businesses	FREE
Textiles - Shoes - Clothing, shoes, towels, curtains, tablecloths, fabric, etc. (regardless of condition)	Must be clean	FREE
Tires - Off Rim On Rim Bulk loads of more than 8 tires and large tires (semi, tractor) will be weighed and charged \$0.15/lb.	No tires from sales/repair businesses	\$4 ea. \$5 ea.
TVs & Monitors - All sizes; loads with 5 or more units will be weighed and charged \$0.25/lb.	No Bulk loads – take directly to an electronics processor	\$15 ea.