

SOUTH ORANGE VILLAGE 2026 CURBSIDE RECYCLING GUIDELINES



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SOUTH ORANGE VILLAGE

DUAL-STREAM RECYCLING What you need to know

Materials need to be separated for distinct pickups on **alternating weeks**: One week is exclusively for **fibers** (cardboard, paper), and the other is for **commingled** (plastic, glass, and metal containers). Cross-contaminated loads or materials put out on the wrong week will not be picked up. For more information, visit southorange.org.



COMMINGLED WEEK Glass, metal, & plastic



YES

- Nos. 1-7 plastic containers & bottles with caps
- Glass bottles & jars with lids
- Aluminum cans, pie tins, & catering trays
- Steel/tin food cans
- Gable-top cartons (e.g., juice & milk cartons)
- Aseptic packaging (e.g., juice boxes)

FIBER WEEK Cardboard & paper



YES

- Corrugated cardboard (flattened, **no packing materials**)
- Boxboard (flattened cereal boxes, etc.)
- Paper bags
- Unsolicited mail (including window envelopes)
- Office paper
- Newspapers & magazines
- Corrugated brown pizza boxes
(**no grease, food, liner**)

NO: These items contaminate the recycling.

IF IN DOUBT, THROW IT OUT. Any materials not on the lists above should not be recycled curbside.

- Any materials with food or greasy residues
- Pizza boxes other than clean corrugated brown
- Waxed cardboard
- Egg cartons
- Cardboard tubes & packaging padding
- Plastics without recycling numbers
- Plastic bags & plastic film*
- Polystyrene foam
- Batteries, especially lithium*
- Aerosol cans under pressure
- Aluminum foil
- Electronics
- Hoses
- Ropes
- Wires
- Wood
- Stickers
- Corks
- Clothing
- Motor oil containers
- Electrical & mechanical toys
- Light bulbs
- Mirrors
- Window glass
- Ceramic plates
- Cups & mugs
- Food waste
- Medical waste
- Hazardous waste
- Poisonous waste

See dual-stream FAQs document at southorange.org for more details.

*Drop boxes for these are located in select Village buildings. Visit southorange.org for details.

2026 CURBSIDE PICKUP ZONE SCHEDULE

SOUTH ORANGE RECYCLING CENTER
300 Walton Avenue

FACILITY HOURS:
TUESDAY & THURSDAY
7am - 3:30pm
SATURDAY, 8am-noon

THURSDAY: South Orange WEST residents (live on all streets to the WEST of Scotland Road and Valley Street)

FRIDAY: South Orange EAST residents (live on Scotland Road and Valley Street and all streets to the EAST of Scotland Road and Valley Street)

ALTERNATING PICKUP WEEKS: Separate fibers from commingled; put out only the material that corresponds to that week. See full material guidelines at southorange.org.

CURBSIDE PICKUP

South Orange's curbside, dual-stream recycling pickup for residents is currently provided by F. Basso Jr. Rubbish Removal.

Call 973.483.1671 to report a missed pickup.

Leave your address, town, and time.

This number does not reply to calls.

FIBER (F):

CARDBOARD & PAPER

COMMINGLED (C):

GLASS, METAL, & PLASTIC



| | F | C | F | C | F | C | | F | C | F | C | F | C | | F | C | F | C | F | C | |
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| JANUARY | | | | | | | FEBRUARY | | | | | | | MARCH | | | | | | | |
| WEST: Thursday | 1* | 8 | 15 | 22 | 29 | | WEST: Thursday | 5 | 12 | 19 | 26 | | WEST: Thursday | 5 | 12 | 19 | 26 | | | | |
| EAST: Friday | 2 | 9 | 16 | 23 | 30 | | EAST: Friday | 6 | 13 | 20 | 27 | | EAST: Friday | 6 | 13 | 20 | 27 | | | | |
| APRIL | | | | | | | MAY | | | | | | JUNE | | | | | | | | |
| WEST: Thursday | 2 | 9 | 16 | 23 | 30 | | WEST: Thursday | 7 | 14 | 21 | 28 | | WEST: Thursday | 4 | 11 | 18 | 25 | | | | |
| EAST: Friday | 3 | 10 | 17 | 24 | | | EAST: Friday | 1 | 8 | 15 | 22 | 29 | | EAST: Friday | 5 | 12 | 19* | 26 | | | |
| JULY | | | | | | | AUGUST | | | | | | SEPTEMBER | | | | | | | | |
| WEST: Thursday | 2 | 9 | 16 | 23 | 30 | | WEST: Thursday | 6 | 13 | 20 | 27 | | WEST: Thursday | 3 | 10 | 17 | 24 | | | | |
| EAST: Friday | 3* | 10 | 17 | 24 | 31 | | EAST: Friday | 7 | 14 | 21 | 28 | | EAST: Friday | 4 | 11 | 18 | 25 | | | | |
| OCTOBER | | | | | | | NOVEMBER | | | | | | DECEMBER | | | | | | | | |
| WEST: Thursday | 1 | 8 | 15 | 22 | 29 | | WEST: Thursday | 5 | 12 | 19 | 26* | | WEST: Thursday | 3 | 10 | 17 | 24* | 31 | | | |
| EAST: Friday | 2 | 9 | 16 | 23 | 30 | | EAST: Friday | 6 | 13 | 20 | 27 | | EAST: Friday | 4 | 11 | 18 | 25* | | | | |

*Check website (southorange.org) for holiday schedule updates.

MISSED PICKUP? Contact F. Basso Jr. Rubbish Removal, 973.483.1671.

Leave your street address, town, and date. This number does not reply to calls.

PUBLIC WORKS INFORMATION 2026

SEASONAL INFORMATION

LARGE BRANCH PICKUP

- June 23
- July 28
- August 25
- September 22



MULCH AND HUMUS

PICKUP:

Mulch and humus are available for pickup year-round at the DPW Recycling Center, while supplies last.

DELIVERY:

Delivery fee is \$65 for loads of 2 to 5 cubic yards. Delivery is by appointment and can be arranged on our website.

Delivery dates are April 22, May 27, June 24, and July 29.

SNOW REMOVAL

Snow removal will begin in the Village when 3 inches of snow or more have fallen on Village streets. Public Works vehicles will make four passes on each street; two down the center and one near each curb. Depending on the volume of snow, roadways may be plowed more than once.

FOLLOWING THESE GUIDELINES MAKES SNOW SEASON BETTER FOR EVERYONE.

VEHICLES:

- Move cars from the street as soon as possible before a storm.
- Salting of roadways will begin prior to snowplowing.
- Park vehicles in driveways* to allow curb-to-curb plowing.
*Vehicles with on-street permits may be parked in the Third Street Garage.
- If you park on a street, you are expected to clear the area around your vehicle.

SNOW REMOVAL:

- Delay driveway shoveling until after streets are plowed. Plowed snow will build up on your driveway apron. This is unavoidable.
- Avoid shoveling or blowing snow into the street; be sure anyone you hire for snow removal is also aware of this.
- Shovel sidewalks within 12 daylight hours of a snowfall.
- Walkway and driveway shoveling allows emergency services to access homes in the event of a fire, illness, or other emergency.



TREES

Help us maintain our urban forest. Contact the Department of Public Works for municipal street tree planting, pruning, and stump-grinding requests.

WHY PLANT TREES?

- Trees improve air quality by supplying oxygen and absorbing carbon dioxide.
- Trees reduce heating and cooling costs by regulating ambient temperature and creating shade, and by evaporative cooling.
- Trees absorb stormwater and help reduce flooding.
- Trees reduce erosion and filter pollutants.
- Trees improve neighborhood aesthetics and add to property values.



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PUBLIC WORKS
300 Walton Avenue
973.378.7741 x1

HOURS OF OPERATION FOR
RECYCLING DROP-OFF:
TUESDAY & THURSDAY,
7am – 3:30pm
SATURDAY, 8am–noon

All dates and schedules are subject to change. To receive alerts, sign up at southorange.org/610/South-Orange-Alerts.

SPECIAL PICKUP AND DROP-OFF EVENTS

METAL BULK PICKUP

Maximum six bulk metal items

Exclusions: bulk household items, hazardous waste, electronics, and construction material. Refrigerators and AC units are considered bulk metal.

Fee: \$80; metal bulk pickup application form can be found at southorange.org.

MONTHLY

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|-------------|-----------|--------------|
| January 20 | May 19 | September 15 |
| February 17 | June 16 | October 20 |
| March 17 | July 21 | November 17 |
| April 14 | August 18 | December 15 |

HOUSEHOLD BULK PICKUP

Maximum six bulk household items

Exclusions: bulk metal items, hazardous waste, electronics, and construction material.

Fee: \$100; household bulk pickup application form can be found at southorange.org.

MONTHLY

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|-------------|-----------|--------------|
| January 22 | May 21 | September 17 |
| February 19 | June 18 | October 22 |
| March 19 | July 23 | November 19 |
| April 16 | August 20 | December 17 |

CONTAINER DAYS

SATURDAY 8am – 1:30pm

April 18 May 23 June 20 July 25 August 22 September 19

ELECTRONIC WASTE EVENTS

SATURDAY 8am – noon

March 7 August 8
June 6 November 7

PAPER-SHREDDING EVENTS

SATURDAY 8am – noon,
unless truck is filled earlier

April 4 September 5

SEASONAL SERVICES

CHRISTMAS TREE PICKUPS: January 2 – 30

Christmas trees will be picked up from the curb beginning the first full week of January. Trees must be free of ornaments, lighting, wire, decorations, plastic wrap, and tree stands. No wreaths or other holiday decorations will be collected.

SPRING CLEANING: March 30 – April 27

BRANCHES: Two inches in diameter and smaller, bundled at the curb.

LEAVES: Place leaves and yard clippings in biodegradable brown paper bags (no plastic). Do not rake leaves into a pile in the street at this time of year.

GRASS CLIPPINGS: The Department of Public Works does not take grass clippings under any circumstances. Contact your garbage collector or landscaper for pickup.

SCHEDULED LEAF PICKUP: November 10 – December 10

Pile leaves **no wider than 4 feet**, for traffic safety, leaving a 6- to 12-inch gap between the curb and pile to allow stormwater to pass to catch basins.

Do not block fire hydrants or driveways.

Do not place tree limbs, branches, grass, or other yard waste at the curb (or in piles) at this time; these can damage leaf-processing equipment and will not be picked up during leaf season.

Follow the leaf map for increased efficiency.

For county road leaf pickup schedules, contact Essex County at 973.239.3366.

