

Sturdy construction

Lids will not blow away as they are attached to the barrels. The plastic shell is a high-density material that resists nature's elements.

Ample vertical storage

Imagine the space recovered when you replace 3-4 trash barrels with 1.



Curb Appeal

Burlington residents appreciate the beauty of their surroundings. Having uniform containers will contribute to the aesthetics. Using automated barrels will also mean less litter being blown around our streets, less barrels being blown into the streets, and not having to replace the lids. The solid construction makes them resistant to animal invasion and allows them to withstand winds up to 35 mph.

Can I get a second barrel?

It's unlikely you'll need a second 95-gallon barrel. However, they are available for purchase at \$75. You will be charged \$150 annually as an additional collection fee.

Other questions?

If you have other questions that aren't addressed here, please call our Department of Public Works at 860-673-2439 or email tharau.s@burlingtonct.us.



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AUTOMATED TRASH COLLECTION

The Town of Burlington will soon implement a fully automated waste collection program—a modern approach to managing residential trash. The program will begin in July 2011 and will replace the current trash collection system in Burlington.



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What is Automated Collection?

Automated collection is a technologically advanced system of refuse collection and disposal. The system is called automated because a refuse truck equipped with a hydraulic arm controlled by a joystick in the truck lifts the barrel off the curb and empties it into the truck. The system requires you to use a specially designed trash barrel that is compatible with the truck's mechanical arm.



Why is Automated Collection better than traditional methods?

The automated system is easier for residents and haulers. Your new **green** barrel is animal resistant with an attached lid which helps reduce windblown litter and improves your neighborhood's appearance on trash collection day. Litter, odor and insect problems are greatly reduced.

The barrels help save money. They keep moisture out on rainy/snowy days, preventing heavy water-soaked loads. Automation will reduce the cost to collect the trash on an annual basis as it allows the hauler to eliminate the manual handling of refuse barrels.

How do I obtain a Barrel?

Beginning late June 2011, one 95-gallon **green** barrel will be delivered to each residence. Each barrel will be stamped with an identifier associated with the residence for tracking purposes in the event a barrel is lost or damaged. The barrels remain the property of the Town. A limited number of smaller barrels are available upon specific request.

How will this Work?

Beginning the week of July 4, place all your trash in your new barrel and wheel it to the curb the night before your regularly scheduled trash pickup day. Place your barrel within 5 feet of the curb or end of your driveway. Wheels should face away from the street. Remember to keep the barrel at least 4 feet away from all other objects to avoid interference with the truck's mechanical arm. Once the program begins, only the new barrels will be collected. You may use your old barrels for storage, give them away, or contact the Public Works Department to arrange disposal of them.

Can I set trash by my barrel?

No. All trash must be placed inside the barrel with the lid closed. Your new barrel can hold up to 6 large bags of trash. The best way to avoid overflow—reduce, reuse, recycle.

How does this impact Bulk Pickup?

Bulk collections will remain the same as they are currently. Bulk collections occur in January, April, July and October.

What is Not Allowed?

Never place the following items in your trash barrel: hot embers, dirt, rocks, large construction debris, paints, oils, or any hazardous materials.

Barrel damaged/stolen?

Protecting your barrel is your responsibility. Keep it clean. Always bag your trash before putting it into your barrel. Never put loose food scraps into the barrel. The Town reserves the right to charge for barrels that are damaged through neglect, vandalism, or abuse. If a replacement is required, the current price is \$75.

Mobility

Traditional barrels require people carrying or dragging them to the curb. Anyone finding them difficult to maneuver will appreciate how easy it is to roll an automated barrel. It is mounted on sturdy rubber wheels with an outstanding industrial design for consistent performance. The barrel's ergonomics are designed to prevent straining or bending.