



SKAGWAY SOLID WASTE & RECYCLING DIRECTORY

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SOLID WASTE / COMPOST FACILITY HOURS (LOCATED EAST OF THE DYEA TURN-OFF) TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS, SATURDAYS, AND SUNDAYS FROM 1:00 P.M. TO 3:00 P.M.
Call Public Works at 983-2449 for specific information.

CLEAN SWEEP: The Municipality of Skagway partners with the Chamber of Commerce in hosting biannual clean sweep events in the spring and fall to help keep our community streets clean. Community members can volunteer to help pick up trash in public areas.

The following information is gathered, in part, from [Skagway Municipal Code 13.20](#).

Material:	Location/ Instructions:
Aluminum	Beverage cans ONLY (No other forms of aluminum accepted) ; can be deposited at Solid Waste / Compost facility.
Pet Waste (dogs, cats, including cat litter)	Double bag in amounts no larger than 1-gallon ziplock bag per household can. Any other form will be left at site. May also be dropped off, for incineration, during Solid Waste / Compost facility hours, free of charge.
Antifreeze (Ethylene glycol and Propylene glycol)	A used antifreeze collection site is available at the small boat harbor. Contact the office for disposal policies (983-2628). Alternately, store used antifreeze in a safe place until the yearly hazardous waste collection event in July. See Hazardous Waste.
Appliances	Appliances and other large or bulky metal items are to be delivered to the incinerator during normal hours of operation only. Do not bring any scrap items to the Public Works shop. Freezers and refrigerators must have the refrigerant evacuated using recovery equipment by a licensed person, and have a label on the appliance to that effect, before it can be accepted by the Municipality. Skagway Hardware provides this service.
Batteries	Lithium, Ni-Cad, rechargeable, and button batteries should be stored in a safe place and dropped off at the yearly hazardous waste collection event in July. Alkaline batteries can be disposed of in regular trash. Also see Hazardous Waste.
Batteries, Vehicle (lead-acid)	Can be dropped off on the pallet INSIDE the battery shed at the southwest corner of the small boat harbor staging area (on the ferry terminal peninsula). Do not drop off batteries at the used oil collection site. Also see Hazardous waste.
Books	Try to sell or giveaway on Skagway Swap (on Facebook). Contact the public library about accepting new books in good condition (983-2665) or Skagway News Depot (983-3354). Or add to regular trash for incineration.
Box Board	(Cereal boxes, etc) Collected as trash; currently not recycled in Skagway.

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Material:	Location/ Instructions:
Burnables, from home or yard	There is a 4ft maximum length for burnables dropped off at incinerator, with the exception of furniture and mattresses.
Cardboard	Drop off for recycling at Solid Waste / Compost facility during open hours. NO OTHER FORMS OF PAPER ARE RECYCLED. NO WAXED CARDBOARD. NO FOOD SOILED CARDBOARD.
Cars, Junk (See Vehicles, Junk)	
Clothing, in good condition	Try to sell or giveaway on Skagway Swap (on Facebook), save for the fall and/or spring flea-market/ rummage events held at the Recreation Center. Or add to regular trash for incineration. Winter clothing (coats, hats, mittens) is collected by the Skagway Presbyterian Church (in the Green Fellowship Hall, 5th & Main). Space is limited. (983-2260)
Electronics	Drop off for recycling at the Solid Waste / Compost facility during normal hours of operation. Do not place E-waste in with household trash.
Fluorescent (Compact) Bulbs	Contain mercury, so please save in a safe place for the annual hazardous waste collection event in July. Also see Hazardous Waste.
Fluorescent (Tube) Bulbs	Contain mercury, drop off for disposal at the Solid Waste / Compost facility during open hours. Public Works has a device that safely collects glass and mercury from this type of bulb.
Food Waste	Most food items are collected for free at the Solid Waste / Compost facility. See attached Compostable list. Food waste may also be placed in garbage for incineration.
Food, still usable (cans, packaged items that have not expired, etc.)	Food donations can be dropped off in the Green Fellowship Hall maintained by the Skagway Presbyterian church (5th & Main).
Glass	Drop off at the Solid Waste / Compost facility; BOTTLES AND JARS ONLY, NO WINDOW OR SHEET GLASS. Glass is crushed and reused to cap incinerator ash fill.
Hazardous Waste	Safely store to bring to the annual household hazardous waste collection event held each July, exact date TBA (watch for the flyer in June for additional information). Examples of Hazardous Materials: used oil, A-fuels, solvents, antifreeze, latex and oil-based paint (do not mix different types of paints), car (lead-acid) batteries, rechargeable batteries, lithium, Ni-Cad and button batteries which contain heavy metals, compact fluorescent bulbs.
Household items; used, but still in usable condition.	Try to sell or giveaway on Skagway Swap (on Facebook); save for the fall and/or spring flea-market/ rummage events held at the Recreation Center. Or add to regular trash for incineration.

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Lawn Clippings, Leaves (Untreated, free of pesticides or herbicides or pet waste)	Drop off at Solid Waste / Compost facility yard. These materials are compostable, please review the compostable list . Free for household drop-off of less than 5 yards. Commercial drop-off for a fee. Contact Public Works for more information: 983-2449
Mattresses	Drop off at the Solid Waste / Compost facility for a fee, during normal hours of operation.
Metal	Drop off metal for recycling at the Solid Waste / Compost facility during normal hours of operation There is a fee for this service. Do not bring any scrap items to the Public Works shop.
Newspaper	Collected as trash; currently not recycled in Skagway.
Oil, vehicle (used)	A used oil collection site is available at the small boat harbor. Contact the office for disposal policies (983-2628). Alternately, store used motor oil in a safe place until the yearly hazardous waste collection event in July. See Hazardous Waste.
Oil, cooking (used)	Drop off in a sealed container at the waste water treatment plant (100 Front St). It is recycled into biofuel.
Paint	Oil-based paints should saved for the hazardous waste collection event. Latex paints can be saved for the hazardous waste collection event, or can be dried out and disposed of in regular trash. The cans are not currently recyclable in Skagway. Also see Hazardous Waste.
Paper	Collected as trash; currently not recycled in Skagway.
Pharmaceuticals (pills)	Bring to Police Department (17th & State) anytime (24hrs a day). 983-2232
Plastic	Collected as trash; currently not recycled in Skagway.
Printer Ink Cartridges	Drop off at Grizzly's General (5th Ave. between State & Broadway) for recycling. Or add to regular trash for incineration.
Solvents	Please store in a safe place and drop off at the yearly hazardous waste collection event in July. See Hazardous Waste.
Syringes/ Sharps	Containers to hold syringes/ sharps are available at Dahl Memorial Clinic, where they may also be dropped off when full. 983-2255
Take-out food containers and utensils	Items stamped "compostable" can be taken to the Solid Waste / Compost facility. See compostables list . Other take-out items may be placed in trash.
Textiles (in good condition)	Try to sell or giveaway on Skagway Swap (on Facebook), save for the fall and/or spring flea-market/ rummage events held at the Recreation Center. Or add to regular trash for incineration. (see clothing, also).

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Tin	Collected as trash; currently not recycled in Skagway.
Tires	Drop off at the Solid Waste / Compost facility for a fee, during normal hours of operation.
Vehicles, junk	A junk vehicle disposal fee must be paid at the Police Department and all trash and debris must be removed before Public Works will pick up the vehicle. Do not deliver any vehicles to the Public Works shop.
Yard Waste - (Untreated, free of pesticides or herbicides or pet waste)	Drop off at Solid Waste / Compost facility yard. These materials are composted. Free for household drop-off of less than 5 yards. Commercial drop-off for a fee. Contact Public Works for more information: 983-2449

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SKAGWAY COMPOSTABLES GUIDE

Updated April 7, 2021

COMPOSTABLES LIST	DETAILS
Baked goods (bread, cake, muffins, rolls, pie, etc)	
Bones	Meat or fish bones, only small bones with circumference less than a pinkie finger
Branches, Twigs	Bring to brush pile
Bread, grains, rice, flour	No packaging
Cereal	
Coconut Coir, peat pots	Fibrous materials for plant starts
Coffee filters (paper only)	Plastic, plastic-coated, or cloth filters should go in trash,
Coffee grounds	
Compostable stamped items (bags, to-go boxes, utensils...)	Must say "Compostable", No "Biodegradable" items.
Dairy products (milk, butter, cheese)	No packaging.
Egg cartons (paper pulp type only)	
Eggs, Eggshells	
Fruits	Whole or scraps; cooked or raw; peels, seeds, and pits ok; Remove labels
Grass (untreated)	No grass clippings with dog waste or known use of herbicides; See Sod
Holiday trees (untreated)	No tinsel, ornaments, flocking (fake snow). These go in the brush pile.
House plants (untreated)	Remove from pots
Leaves (untreated)	Composter during operational hours, or to yard waste piles
Manure (Chicken, Horse, Rabbit)	Only manure from primarily herbivorous barnyard animals is accepted for composting. No dog or cat waste.

COMPOSTABLES LIST	DETAILS
Meat	Fish, chicken, beef, etc. No bones larger than a pinkie finger.
Nutshells	
Paper bags or plates (uncoated)	Uncoated only (no plastic coatings)
Paper towels, napkins (clean or food soiled only)	No paper towels soiled with other liquids, or anything potentially toxic
Pasta	Cooked or raw
Pet Food	Both dry and wet pet food ok
Pizza Boxes	Clean or greasy
Plant material (untreated)	Weeds ok; no plant materials with known use of herbicides
Seafood (Fish, Shellfish)	Shells 3" long or smaller, or crushed
Sod (untreated)	Small amounts (less than 60 lbs)
Straws (Paper only)	All other straws are considered trash.
Tea leaves	NO TEA BAGS (they contain synthetic fibers)
Vegetables	Whole or scraps; cooked or raw; peels ok; remove labels
Wood Scraps (untreated)	Must be longer than 2 feet, untreated, unpainted, clean, with nails or hardware removed. Will be chipped for composter.

NON-COMPOSTABLES	DETAILS
Aluminum or metal cans	Aluminum is acceptable in recycling bins. Tin/Steel cans currently trash for incineration.
Automotive fluids (Oil, antifreeze, etc.)	Collected as annual Haz-Mat for free
Band-aids, bandages, or other medical waste	Place in household trash for incineration (except Syringes, see below)

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Batteries	Consult the Solid Waste & Recycling Directory
Bones	Bones larger than a pinkie finger, place in household trash for incineration
Bottle caps	Place in household trash for incineration
Boxboard	Place in household trash for incineration
Cigarette butts	Place in household trash for incineration
Cord (nylon), wire, plastic banding	Place in household trash for incineration
Dead animals	Contact Public Works
Diapers	Place in household trash for incineration
Dryer Lint, or Dryer sheets	May contain synthetic fibers, place in household trash for incineration
Feminine Sanitary Products	Place in household trash for incineration
Food cartons (coated or waxed)	Place in household trash for incineration
Garden or yard accessories	Tarps, plastic row covers, floating row covers (reemay); place in household trash for incineration
Grease, oil and fat (from cooking)	Drop off at Waste Water Treatment Plant, it's recycled into biofuel
Gum	Place in household trash for incineration
Hoses	Place in household trash for incineration
Household trash	Collected for incineration
Labels	Little round or oval stickers on produce
Microwave popcorn bags	Place in household trash for incineration
Paper cups and plates (coated)	Place in household trash for incineration
Paper, white or colored	Place in household trash for incineration

NON-COMPOSTABLES	DETAILS
Pet waste & litter (carnivorous pets)	(Dogs, cats, etc) Must be doubled bagged or in a bucket, and placed in trash or self-hauled to the composter building for incineration for free. NOT COMPOSTABLE.
Pills, medication or vitamin supplements	Prescription drugs, OTC medicine, vitamins, vitamin powder, liquid vitamins, etc.
Plant Material (Contaminated)	Any plant material that is contaminated by chemicals or pet waste should go to the incinerator.
Plastics	Ex: bags, bottles, utensils, plant nursery pots, containers, cups, trays, straws
Q-tip cotton swabs or similar	Place in household trash for incineration
Rocks and gravel	Place in waste rock pile
Straws	Place in household trash for incineration. Only paper straws are compostable.
Styrofoam containers	Place in household trash for incineration
Syringes	Must be dropped off at the Clinic, in containers provided by the Clinic.
Tea bags	No tea bags (they contain synthetic fibers)
Tissue, facial (Kleenex) or Toilet	Place in household trash for incineration
Toxins (paint, solvents)	Consult Haz Mat flyer
Wood Scraps, Shavings, Or Sawdust	No Shavings or Sawdust will be accepted. Painted, stained, or treated wood shavings, scraps, and sawdust go in the garbage. Put sawdust and shavings in a bag and tie off.