



THE BUREAU OF
**PLANNING &
SUSTAINABILITY**

Garbage & Recycling Requirements

For rental houses with 1-4 units

This is a reminder that as an owner of a rental house, duplex, triplex, or fourplex in Portland, you are required by City Code 29.30.140 to:

1. Pay for garbage, recycling, and compost service.

You must set up and pay for service. Bills must be in your name and sent to you, not the tenants.

2. Provide adequate waste collection service.

Waste containers cannot be overflowing. The following are minimum requirements, but your tenants may need a larger size or number of containers to meet their needs.

- **Garbage:** At least one 20-gallon roll cart for a single-family house, 60-gallon roll cart for a duplex or triplex, and 90-gallon roll cart for a fourplex.
- **Recycling:** At least one 60-gallon roll cart for a single-family house or duplex, and two 60-gallon roll carts for a triplex or fourplex.
- **Glass:** At least one glass-only recycling bin for a single-family, duplex, triplex, or fourplex.
- **Compost:** At least one 60-gallon roll cart for a single-family, duplex, triplex, or fourplex.

Find cart size options and costs at www.portland.gov/garbage-rates. Contact your garbage company to make changes at www.portland.gov/findmygarbagecompany.

These rules apply to any property not occupied by the owner, including a property where family or friends live without paying rent.

Penalties of up to \$470 per month may be charged for not meeting these requirements.

Help tenants recycle right. Order free recycling guides, stickers, and garbage schedules at www.portland.gov/rental-recycling. Or contact 503-823-7202 or wasteinfo@portlandoregon.gov.

Questions? Find more information at www.portland.gov/rental-recycling. Or contact us at 503-823-7202 or wasteinfo@portlandoregon.gov.

If you do not own or manage a rental property, you can ignore this letter.

If you manage properties of 5+ units, go to www.portland.gov/multifamily-recycling-requirements.