

**CITY OF NORTHFIELD, NJ
ORDINANCE NO. 3-2026**

**AMENDING CHAPTER 315, ARTICLE II
SOLID WASTE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL**

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Common Council of the City of Northfield, County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey as follows (added text underlined; deleted text stricken):

§ 315-12 - § 315-15. NO CHANGE

§ 315-16. Definitions.

TRASH CART - is a large, durable garbage can or cart, often with wheels and a lid, used for solid waste collection, and typically equipped with a metal catch bar or lift bar designed for use with semi-automatic collection systems.

§ 315-17. Materials prohibited from being placed for collection.

The following items are prohibited from being placed for collection or combined with acceptable solid waste for collection:

A.- E. NO CHANGE

F. Dead animals ~~and animal waste~~

G. Animal waste that has not been properly bagged.

H. NO CHANGE

§ 315-18. Separation of recyclables; placement for disposal.

The recyclable materials designated in § 315-3 of this chapter, ~~excluding paper and cardboard~~, shall be put in a suitable container, separate from other solid waste, and placed at the curb or such other designated area for collection at such times and dates as may be hereinafter established in the municipality's recycling regulations. The container for recyclable materials shall be clearly labeled and placed at the curb or such other designated area for each collection.

§ 315-19. NO CHANGE

§ 315-20. Preparation of solid waste for collection.

A. NO CHANGE

B. Appropriate containers.

- (1) The containers shall be of galvanized or plastic composition, shall not exceed ~~40~~ 50 gallons in capacity, shall be no heavier than 50 pounds when filled, shall have a lid or cover and shall have two sturdy handles. If plastic bags are used, they shall not be less than two mils thick nor larger than 40

gallons and must be properly closed and tied. A maximum of ~~five~~ three containers may be placed at the curb for collection.

(2) If trash carts are used (see 315-16, definitions), they shall not exceed 96 gallons in capacity. A maximum of one container may be placed at the curb for collection.

~~(3) Plastic bags not less than two mils thick nor larger than 40 gallons may be used if properly tied.~~

(4) NO CHANGE

C. NO CHANGE

D. NO CHANGE

E. NO CHANGE

F. Household furniture, ~~wood waste, textiles, mattresses, and carpet~~ will be accepted. Carpet must be cut into 4' lengths, rolled and tied (1 roll = 1 bulk item). However, separate arrangements must be made by the individual owner with the City of Northfield for the purpose of removal of said items. ~~Three~~ A maximum of two items of bulky trash may be placed out for ~~each~~ collection one day per month, during the first full week of each month, on the regular collection day for the household. The City of Northfield reserves the right to refuse excessively bulky or heavy items.

G. NO CHANGE

H. NO CHANGE

I. NO CHANGE

J. NO CHANGE

K. NO CHANGE

L. If any container of garbage is upset or overturned other than by the City, its employees, or their agents, engaged in garbage or refuse collection, the property owner, tenant or other person placing the garbage for municipal collection shall promptly clean up such spill of garbage and restore it to a suitable container as defined hereinbefore.

M. NO CHANGE

N. If any container of garbage is upset or overturned by a municipal employee or agent of the City other than as a result of improper preparation by the residential user, the municipal employee or agent of the City shall immediately collect such garbage and dispose of same in the collection vehicle.

O. Solid waste that that has been placed curbside for collection that does not comply with the regulations of this Article shall be tagged or labeled as non-compliant by the City or agent of the City who has been charged with collection. ~~If any City employee, in the course of his duties, observes noncompliance with any of the regulations of this article, he shall immediately notify the tenant or landowner of noncompliance and the reason for not~~

~~making the collection. Such notice may be given personally or by written statement left on the premises. Each such instance of noncollection shall be reported to the Supervisor of the Department of Public Works by the person in charge of the particular truck not making the collection.~~

- ~~P. Paper, cardboard, wood or plywood kegs, barrels, baskets or drums shall not be utilized for the storage of garbage, refuse, ash or other solid waste, and containers of this type will be collected by the municipality and disposed of.~~
- Q. No person shall place in any receptacle any garbage, refuse or any other material which could be injurious to the collectors of the municipality.
- R. No trash or garbage shall be deposited upon any public street or any other public place except at the curb for collection by the municipality in accordance herewith.
- S. Receptacles by nonresidential users must meet the minimum requirements as set forth herein and must comply with the provisions of § 325-7. ~~However, s~~Said receptacles can be larger in size so long as they are shall be covered to prevent any refuse from being scattered about by wind or other elements, are rodentproof, are cleaned and sanitized as required, and are conveniently located on the premises for storage of refuse and are maintained in such a manner as to prevent creation of a nuisance or menace to the public health. Nonresidential users shall arrange to have refuse removed daily unless suitable facilities are provided for the storage of solid waste until its removal.
- T. NO CHANGE
- U. Municipal employees and or agents of the City shall not be required to make garbage or trash collection from the premises of any residential user whereon a dog is permitted to run loose.
- V. NO CHANGE

§ 315-21. Collection schedules.

Collection from residential users shall be in accordance with a schedule announced by the ~~Department of Public Works within the~~ City of Northfield. This schedule may be from time to time amended upon notice to Council and publication.

§ 315-22. Set-out time.

- A. For collection pursuant to a schedule announced by ~~the Department of Public Works within~~ the City of Northfield, all approved containers must be placed at the curb where easily accessible. No containers shall be set out prior to 5:00 p.m. on the day prior to collection or later than 7:00 a.m. on the day of collection. No occupant shall allow or permit any empty receptacle to remain along any street, curb, sidewalk or alley more than 12 hours after the contents have been collected.
- ~~B. When a regular collection day falls on a legal holiday, containers shall not be set out until the next regularly scheduled collection unless special announcement of~~

~~collection is made by the City.~~

§ 315-23. Regulations for collection.

- A. NO CHANGE
- B. All solid waste collection contractors shall comply with the ordinances of the City and rules and regulations ~~and orders of the Department of Public Works,~~ as well as all applicable state, county, and federal laws and regulations.
- C. NO CHANGE
- D.

§ 315-24. Placement of materials for collection.

- A. NO CHANGE
- B. City collectors of solid waste are prohibited from entering upon any unaccepted lands, streets, service area, driveway or alleys or any privately owned buildings or portion of any such buildings for the purpose of removing refuse materials to the curb, and if solid waste of residential users is not placed in accordance with this article, the City of Northfield or its agents will not accept the waste for collection.
- ~~C. When it shall appear to be more efficient for collection by the municipality, the municipality, on written request of or permission by the owner, may authorize City collectors to enter upon and collect garbage and refuse placed at the curb or sideline of such unaccepted streets, lanes, alleys, driveways, service areas or other thoroughfare area as it may designate, subject to such conditions as they may impose. Such collection service shall not, however, be construed to be an acceptance of any such unaccepted thoroughfare or area.~~

§ 315-25. NO CHANGE

§ 315-26. NO CHANGE

§ 315-27. Refusal to collect.

Any solid waste placed for collection by a residential user not in accordance with this article will be refused by the City of Northfield or its agents, and it shall be the responsibility of the residential user to remove said solid waste from the curblane and have it properly containerized, packaged or secured for purposes of collection on the next scheduled date or the residential user shall have same disposed of privately by a solid waste collection contractor.

SEVERABILITY

If any section, paragraph, clause, or provision of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, clause or provision so adjudged and the remainder of the ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

REPEAL OF PRIOR ORDINANCES

All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with or in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance shall take effect after final passage and publication as provided by law.

The above Ordinance was introduced and passed on its first reading at a regular meeting of the Council of the City of Northfield, New Jersey held on February 10, 2026, and will be taken up for a second reading, public hearing and final adoption at a meeting of said Council held February 24, 2026, in Council Chambers, City Hall, Northfield, New Jersey.

Mary Canesi, RMC, Municipal Clerk

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