

Looks Can Be Deceiving

If you watch your waste collection operator collect your waste from afar, it may appear as though he or she is placing your residual waste in the same compartment as your organics. The Town of Whitby uses specially designed collection trucks to collect residual garbage and organics. These trucks have been designed with two separate compartments in which to place and keep both waste streams apart. Residual garbage bags that exceed the prescribed size limit as shown on your calendar, are too large and cannot be collected. Oversized bags do not fit in the compartment and are in contravention of the Solid Waste Management By-Law.



Solid Waste Management By-Law

The Town of Whitby's Solid Waste Management By-Law No. 5795-06 governs the provision of the solid waste collection services to all properties and specifies the regulations that all residents are required to follow. The information contained in this booklet does not detail all regulations as contained in the By-Law. The Solid Waste Management By-Law can be accessed on the Town website: www.whitby.ca

How Can You Prevent Injuries?

(How to set out your waste materials for collection)

Sharp Objects

Placing any sharp objects in your residual garbage bags can cause serious injuries. You can prevent injuries to our collection personnel by placing broken glass or other sharp objects in an open cardboard box and label the box "**CAUTION: SHARP OBJECTS.**"

Used needles and syringes are classified as hazardous medical waste. For the safety of both our collection personnel and the public, never put needles or syringes in your residual garbage. Many pharmacies have a program for the proper disposal of needles and syringes, or they may be disposed of at the Region of Durham's Waste Management Facility.

Winter Safety Tips

During the winter, never place your residual waste, green bins or blue boxes on top of snowbanks or on icy patches, as doing so can result in injury to collection staff. Please clear a space at the end of your driveway and place all wastes there.

