

TIPS TO LIGHTEN YOUR LOAD AND PAY LESS

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SAVE TIME AND MONEY! THE MORE YOU KNOW BEFORE YOU GET THERE, THE LESS MONEY YOU'LL HAVE TO PAY.

1. Know which items are accepted at Metro's transfer stations for recycling at no charge. (hyperlink to the web page <http://www.oregonmetro.gov/index.cfm/go/by.web/id=29040>)
2. Sort and separate common recyclables - newspaper, cardboard, magazines, plastic bottles, tubs and nursery pots, scrap metal - and earn a rebate on disposal.
3. Put recyclables on the top or at one end of your load.
4. Some items are not accepted for recycling, such as plate or tempered glass, barbed wire and riding lawn mowers.
5. Some items are not accepted for disposal or recycling, such as vehicles, loads of liquids, petroleum contaminated soil and radioactive materials.
6. Make it safe – put dangerous materials in a cardboard box, like pool and spa chemicals, sharps, asbestos and hazardous waste.
7. Put lighter-weight items at the bottom of the load.
8. Don't overload. Keep it safe for yourself and others on the road!

9. Secure your load to cut down on litter and disposal fees. Cover it with a tarp and use rope, straps or bungee cords to tie it down.
10. Know your load. Be prepared to describe the contents to the attendant.
11. Find rates, fees, hours and directions at www.oregonmetro.gov/garbage

For answers to your questions, call Metro Recycling Information at 503-234-3000.

Get everything you need to know about recycling and garbage and hazardous waste disposal in the Portland metropolitan area. Plus, learn how to keep your neighborhood clean.

HEALTHY HOME

Learn less-toxic ways to clean, maintain, repair and improve your house and yard.

www.oregonmetro.gov/healthyhome

Step up your green game with easy steps to curb your waste.

<http://www.epa.gov/epawaste/index.htm>

Find a recycler for materials not accepted at the curb.

www.oregonmetro.gov/Findarecycler

Find your garbage hauler for rates, fees and collection days.

<http://www.oregonmetro.gov/index.cfm/go/by.web/id=779>

Get tips on thoughtful consumption and recycling from a local expert in your neighborhood.

www.masterrecycler.org



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