

WELCOME TO THE

# Yard Waste Recycling Program



Celebrating 24 years  
of yard waste  
recycling!

March 10, 2023

Dear Valued Yard Waste Customer:

Thank you for helping to decrease the amount of organic waste sent to the landfill. Your decision to participate in the 2023 Yard Waste Recycling Program (YRP), and to be more sustainable, helps reduce greenhouse gas emissions and benefits our local community.

The Yard Waste Recycling Program is \$18/month. This seasonal program starts on April 3 and concludes on December 1. Here are helpful tips to remember.

- ▶ If you have a 65-gallon cart, you may set out an additional 35 gallons of yard waste materials next to your lime green GSI cart.
- ▶ If you have or were delivered a blue Republic Services 95-gallon cart with a brown lid, this should be sufficient. Extra materials outside of the cart should not be included. There is an additional charge for materials outside of the cart.
- ▶ Yard waste is recycled into compost at a nearby dairy, then sold and used by area landscapers.
- ▶ For the last two decades, Northern Colorado has recognized the YRP as the most reliable and best-valued green waste recycling service.

Enclosed with this letter, you will find an updated Yard Waste Recycle Guide. Please refer to it for a list of acceptable and non-acceptable items. We thank you for your commitment to sustainability. Please let us know if you have any questions. Call **970.484.5556** or visit **[GSIwaste.com/residential/yardwaste-service](https://www.GSIwaste.com/residential/yardwaste-service)**.

Sincerely,  
Your Local Republic Services Team



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Yard Waste Season: April 3 – December 1, 2023

Thank you for making the extra effort to responsibly manage your organics with the Republic Services Yard Waste Recycling Program.

Each week, your yard waste is diverted from the landfill and made into compost. This compost becomes animal bedding or ground cover, or is used in landscaping projects by the local community. *It is important it is not contaminated.*



## Acceptable items

For your yard waste cart

### Flowers

### Weeds

### Leaves

No bags at all, including any type of plastic or biodegradable bags

### Tree Branches

Cut up and placed in cart or set next to it. Bundles no larger than 2' in length x .5" in diameter. Branches should not be any thicker than your thumb

### Garden Waste

### Garden Fruits and Vegetables

No meat, bones or dairy

### Shrubs

### Grass Clippings

No bags at all. Place loose in cart. For those with green carts, if you do not have room, you can place in the cart or a separate 35-gallon container labeled with "yard waste" on it



## Unacceptable items

No bags in or outside of the cart

### Dirt or Rocks

### Chemicals

Including paint and other household items

### Plastics, Compostable or Biodegradable Bags

No bags, not even for grass clippings or leaves

### Large Branches/ Treated Wood

Such as painted or stained wood, particle board or laminated wood

### Metal Cans or Glass Bottles

### Plastic of Any Kind

### Animal Waste or Trash of Any Kind

Even a little bit of either item is considered contamination

### Paper and Compostable Products

Such as plates, cups, napkins or compostable plant containers

Please do not put unacceptable items in your yard waste carts. We are unable to collect contaminated material. Yard waste service runs from April 3 – December 1, 2023. All materials placed in the yard waste carts outside the seasonal dates will be picked up as conventional trash.

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