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Curbside collection offered this spring and summer for trash, brush and tires

HUNTINGTON – The City of Huntington’s Trash and Sanitation Division will make it easier for residents to get rid of bulky trash, brush and tires this spring and summer.

The city has always allowed residents to dispose of bulky trash and brush once a month for free as long as the trash pile doesn’t exceed the capacity of an 8-foot pickup truck load, but residents have had to call the Sanitation and Trash Division to schedule the service.

Beginning May 12 and lasting through the end of July, Trash and Sanitation workers will pick up these items as well as tires (limit eight per household) on the same day that a resident’s household garbage is collected. Residents will still be limited to one trash pick-up per month, but no call ahead of time will be needed. Tire collection is a new service that is the result of a partnership between the city and the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection, Assistant Public Works Director Jim Insko said.

“The Trash and Sanitation Division placed a greater emphasis on collecting trash in November of last year,” Insko said. “We know this change has been effective, because we have collected more tons of garbage and trash per month compared to the previous year.”

Brush must be bundled, weigh less than 75 pounds and be no more than 4 feet long or else a fee will be assessed. Items that will not be picked up include appliances that contain freon, paint and any hazardous chemicals.

Trash, brush and tires also will be collected at the Deitz Hollow Landfill in Guyandotte from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Friday beginning May 12. Residents are allowed to drop off trash once a month and must provide a driver’s license with a Huntington address and a copy of their most recent refuse fee receipt.

The city also will provide large collection bins to neighborhood groups that want to conduct a cleanup in their area. However, the groups must be able to show that the bins will be monitored. For more information about these services, call the Sanitation and Trash Division at 304-696-4431.

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