



Wilkins Commissioners signed a new five (5) year agreement with Republic Services for trash and recycling collection. This new agreement introduces automated collection service. This means that the truck is equipped to be able to lift and empty trash carts with minimal assistance from the driver. Automated service includes a 65-gallon wheeled cart for trash collection and a 65-gallon wheeled cart for recycling, which will stay with the home should you move.

Two blue carts stamped with the Wilkins Township logo will be delivered to you no later than June 1, 2024. The trash cart lid will be black and show the word TRASH, while the recycling cart lid will be light blue and show the word RECYCLING. Use these new carts in place of any other receptacles. Trash should be bagged and placed inside the cart; there should be no loose bags on the ground or loose trash in the cart. Recycling should be placed loose (no bagged recycling!) in the recycling cart. See below for more information and an image of the cart you will be receiving:

- Each household is permitted ten bags per week, which should be placed into the supplied cart.
- Remember, **fully utilizing your recycling cart will reduce the waste** going into your trash cart. Collapse cardboard down to allow for best cart utilization.
- If a larger trash cart is needed, **one exchange to a Republic Services 95-gallon cart is allowed**. Please call 724-887-9400 to exchange to the larger cart within 30 days of receipt of the 65-gallon cart.
- If a **second trash cart** is desired, **95-gallon carts will be available for purchase at a cost of \$85 each**. Call 724-887-9400 to purchase directly from Republic Services using a credit card. Allow 5 business days for delivery. Carts purchased directly will have the Republic Services logo stamped, will belong to the purchaser, and can be taken in the case of moving.
- **One large item per month**, such as a couch, chair, mattress & box spring, etc. (no electronics accepted with regular collection) will be allowed, collected on the same week that recycling is collected.
- Place carts to the curb with the **lid opening toward the street** and away from other objects (see included placement graphic).



Why am I receiving these carts?

- ✓ Carts provide a place to store trash and recycling materials between collections
- ✓ Carts protect trash from animals and weather elements
- ✓ Carts reduce litter on municipal roadways
- ✓ Carts are easy to maneuver, difficult to damage, and do not roll if knocked over
- ✓ Automated service is efficient, for both residents and collectors
- ✓ Unlike other receptacles, the carts you will receive are made to be serviced by automated collection equipment, which reduces the instances of damage
- ✓ Employees will handle less waste manually, which reduces injuries

Who will be delivering the carts?

Carts will be delivered to each home by a 3rd party delivery crew. The crew will not be able to answer questions related to service.

Do I need to use the new carts?

Yes, the new carts should be used in place of any other container and are being provided with your service.

What happens if the cart is damaged?

Carts are specially constructed to be serviced by automated equipment. In the unlikely event that a Republic Services cart is damaged, simply call us at 724-887-9400. We will repair or replace the cart.

Will my collection schedule change?

Right now, no schedule changes are planned.

I didn't get carts.

Please call 724-887-9400 **after June 7** to report non-receipt of carts.

Proper Cart Placement Is the Key to Automated Service

