City Blue Garbage Bag & Recycling Service

The City of Corning sells garbage bags as a means to finance garbage collection. With the City service, you will only pay for what you dispose of, making the cost of garbage disposal fair for everyone. Rising solid waste collection and disposal costs have made it necessary for the City to establish a means to meet these costs and provide a fair way to distribute the costs among the users of the City garbage collection service. The pay per bag service that the City currently utilizes was instituted on August 19, 1991.

**The Garbage Bag & Cost**

The City garbage bag is blue in color and has “City of Corning Garbage Department” printed on it.

There are two sizes available:

- 15 Gallon - $1.75/bag
- 30 Gallon - $2.25/bag

**Bags are available for purchase at the following Locations:**

- Corning City Hall, Finance Office – 500 Nasser Civic Center Plaza
- Corning Building Company – 346 Park Avenue
- Corning Senior Center – 1 Park Lane
- Gerould’s Pharmacy – 98 W Pulteney Street
- Rite Aid – 100 Conhocton Street
- TOPS Friendly Markets – 360 Pulteney Street
- Wegmans – 24 S Bridge Street
**Garbage and Recycling Schedule:**

The City is divided into sections called Zones for the garbage and recycling pick up schedule. (See Maps below for Zone Areas)

**Schedule:**

Monday – Zone One  
Tuesday – Zone Two  
Wednesday – Zone Three  
Thursday – Zone Four  

Garbage is collected every week and recycling is collected every other week. Refer to the City Calendar for weeks of recycling collection.

See Recycling Collection below for details of recycling requirements.

**Solid Waste Collection Rules:**

1. Only official City of Corning garbage bags will be collected. No other bag or container will be collected.
2. Garbage must be set out at the curb (all other locations are prohibited, except in commercial areas where alley pick up is required). Garbage should not be set out earlier than 2 PM the day before collection and NO later than 6 AM the day of collection. Garbage cans should be returned to the premises no later than 9 PM the day of collection. (Use of cans is encouraged)
3. Any City garbage bag that is not set out in time for pick up can be brought to the City Maintenance Garage on Woodview Avenue and placed in the bin, Monday thru Thursday from 7 AM to 11:30 AM.
4. All solid waste materials (except for yard waste-leaves, grass, clippings, etc.) should be placed in a Blue City garbage bag. The only other material that will be picked up is recyclables.
5. The bag weight Limit is 40 lbs.

**Prohibited Materials for Blue Bags:**

1. Needles and Syringes (sharps) - these should be disposed of in a proper container.
2. Yard Waste – There are separate collection times provided. See: Rules for Yard Waste Collection
3. Recycling – these should be separated from the solid waste and placed curb side as well See: Recycling Collection (below)
Recycling Collection:

To have the City service pick up your recyclable material, it must be accompanied by a Blue City Garbage Bag(s).

Below is information regarding how to prepare recycling for pick up. Recycling will be rejected if this is not followed. A tag will be left stating the reason for rejection.

Mixed Paper

Mixed Paper includes: Newspaper, magazines, glossies, catalogues, telephone books, junk mail, white and colored paper and envelopes.

How to Prepare: Stack no more than 12” high (string or twine should be used for bundling) or put in paper bags. Keep Dry

Not accepted: Plastic bags

Limit of 3 Bundles at one time.

If this item is rejected for being wet, please store it someplace where it can dry out and place back out for next pick up.

Plastic

Plastic acceptable: #1 and #2 containers

How to prepare: Rinse well. Leave lids on. Labels do not need to be removed. PLEASE crush to save space.

Not accepted: Wide mouth plastic food containers (ex. cottage cheese, yogurt, dip, medicine bottles.)

Limit of 25 assorted #1 and #2 Plastics at one time.

Look for these on the Bottom of Plastic Container
Colored and Clear Glass

Glass acceptable: Clear, green and amber glass only. *(Colors must be separated from clear.)* Jars and bottles.

How to prepare: Clean. Remove and discard metal rings and lids. Labels do not need to be removed.

Not accepted: Pyrex, window glass, ceramics, light bulbs, auto glass, etc.

These must be in open top containers (ex. Buckets, Garbage Cans are too large) Limit of 2-5 gallon containers at one time.

Cardboard

Cardboard acceptable: Clean, corrugated only.

How to prepare: Must be bundled, dimensions not to exceed 30”. String or twine should be used to bundle. *Keep Dry.*

Not accepted: Cardboard with waxy surface. No Pizza Boxes (they are not clean).

Limit of 2 bundles (30” wide X30” long x6” high) at one time.

Metal Food Cans

Metal Food Can acceptable: All food cans, including Pet food cans.

How to prepare: Clean off food stuffs. Please flatten to conserve space. Labels do not need to be removed.

Not accepted: Aluminum beverage cans, aerosol, paint or fuel cans.

These must be in open top containers (ex. Buckets, Garbage Cans are too large) Limit of 2-5 gallon containers at one time.
Helpful tips for items that the City Collection does not accommodate.

Below is additional information regarding items that are not accepted or picked up by the City. This information is for items to be disposed of by residents at the Steuben County Landfill or County Erwin Transfer Station.

Steuben County Landfill
5632 Turnpike Road, Bath, NY 14810
(607) 776-9245
The landfill accepts residential, commercial, industrial and Construction & Demolition waste.
Landfill hours:
Monday - Saturday 7:30 am - 3:30 pm.

Erwin Transfer Station
622 S Hamilton St, Painted Post, NY 14870
(607) 937-5749
Transfer stations are open Tuesday through Saturday, 7:30 am - 3:30 pm.

Major Appliances and Scrap Metal

**NO CHARGE.** Major appliances and scrap metal accepted are: Stoves, washer/dryers, hot water tanks, furnaces and miscellaneous scrap metal. Commercial Haulers and/or loads larger than a pickup truck must go directly to the Bath Landfill. Residents may use any solid waste facility.

Waste Oil

**NO CHARGE.** Collection tanks are located at each facility. Residents are allowed to bring five (5) gallons per day. Must be used motor oil, free from contamination. Cooking oils not accepted.
Used Oil Filters

NO CHARGE. Drums are located at each site for collection for use by residents only.

Fluorescent Light Bulbs

NO CHARGE. Accepted at each site for recycling. Residents ONLY. It is illegal to put fluorescent bulbs in with trash.

Propane Tanks

NO CHARGE. up to 100 pounds.
**Tires**

*Passenger vehicle tires* - $2.50 each; Truck and tractor tires - $300.00/ton. No rims. $15 minimum.

**Electronics**

*Electronics* - such as PC's, televisions, printers, VCR's, and video game systems. All "Covered Electronic Equipment" per the NYSDEC guideline is accepted.

*Note* - there is a $20 fee for Televisions and Monitor