

Dear Residents,

Our neighborhood has many new residents that may not be familiar with the trash guidelines set forth in Briargrove Park Deed Restrictions and there are some of us who may need a reminder about the trash policies.

Trash information summary:

- Backdoor pick-up available for household trash, trash can must not be visible from street.
- No more than 4 garbage cans or 4 bags per pick-up day of household trash
- If cans are brought to the curb or other area, they must be removed the same day
- Yard clippings are placed at the curb no earlier than the evening before collection day - 8 bags max per pick-up day with bags weighing no more than 40 lbs.
- Recycling - cardboard boxes must be broken down and secured in a bin or can
- Give-away items—please use porch pick up instead of placing items at the curb

BGP is fortunate to contract with a private trash collection service, Texas Pride, allowing us to have trash collection two days each week as opposed to the once per week service provided by the City of Houston. Texas Pride offers “backdoor service” to all homes in BGP if residents choose to utilize this option. This means that the trash collectors will come and collect your trash from the location your trash cans are stored and return the empty trash containers back to that location. This feature reduces the number of trash cans brought to the curb and is also handy for residents who may have difficulty getting their containers to the curb.

A caveat to “backdoor service” is that yard clippings and waste must be placed at the curb. However, the Deed Restrictions state that no trash or garbage, including yard clippings, may be placed at the curb **EARLIER than the DAY BEFORE the collection day**. Trash cans must be removed from the curb by **MIDNIGHT on the COLLECTION DAY**.

More residents are working from home as the workplace dynamics have adjusted to pandemic protocols. This has generated more garbage, requiring the trash trucks to make multiple visits to the dumpsite during a shift. BGP is a large neighborhood with more than 1400 homes and trash collection can take much of the day even with multiple trucks working in our neighborhood.

The Texas Pride Recycling is offered to all residents who purchase this service, but it is only utilized by about ¼ of the homeowners. As a result, Texas Pride has other neighborhoods they service and our recycling is not always picked up on Wednesday as scheduled. When this occurs, Texas Pride collects the recycling on Thursday.

While not perfect, Texas Pride is very responsive to calls from BGP office management and will make special trips for missed homes. Simply email Stefany ([stefany@briargrovepark.org](mailto:stefany@briargrovepark.org)) with your issue and address and she will work to have a timely resolution.

Below you will find the Scope of Work as defined in the Texas Pride contract as well as the expectations outlined in the Deed Restrictions:

A. Scope of Work. On each regularly scheduled collection day, Wednesday and Saturday, Texas Pride Disposal will collect residential refuse located at the backdoor. Residential refuse must be either in containers not to exceed ninety-six (96) gallons or bags not exceeding forty (40) pounds.

Residential refuse is defined as waste generated inside the house, exclusive of construction and remodeling debris. Tree, shrub, brush trimmings and other yard waste, including fencing, must be piled curbside in distinguished, individual piles not exceeding four (4) feet in length by four (4) feet in width by four (4) feet in height, and branches may not exceed six (6) inches in diameter. This excludes any waste generated as a result of a force majeure. As part of normal collection, Texas Pride Disposal does not pick up dirt, rocks, bricks, concrete, or any materials or items deemed hazardous materials or waste generated by a private contractor. Bulky waste will be picked up on either scheduled day and must also be located at the curb. By Federal Law, refrigerators and freezers must be drained of Freon and have a bill to validate such service was performed. For special collection other than normal amounts of residential refuse, yard trimmings, or bulk items, if notified in advance, Texas Pride Disposal will meet with the resident prior to collection day to negotiate a price. If a resident does not notify Texas Pride Disposal of such a special pick up before their scheduled day, then Texas Pride Disposal will leave a notice for the resident to contact Texas Pride Disposal during normal office hours before their next scheduled pick up day.

ARTICLE II  
SECTION 2.1.

L. TRASH; TRASH CONTAINERS: No garbage or trash, or garbage or trash container, will be maintained on a Lot so as to be visible from a street in the Subdivision or a neighboring Lot at ground level, except to make the same available for collection. Garbage, rubbish, lawn clippings and trimmings, or other items to be picked up at the curbside by the garbage collector servicing the Subdivision or containers holding the same must not be placed on the curbside of a Lot earlier than the day before the scheduled garbage pickup for that Lot. Any such garbage, rubbish, lawn clippings and trimmings, or other items or containers holding the same not so picked up by the garbage collector must be removed from the curbside before midnight on the day of the regularly scheduled garbage pickup. Trash made available for pickup must be placed in tied trash bags or covered containers, or as otherwise provided in a trash disposal contract entered into by the Association.

Briargrove Park is a beautiful subdivision and it is our collective responsibility to do our part to keep it aesthetically appealing and special. Please ask your yard service to not leave lawn clippings and yard debris at the curb unless it is the day prior to trash collection and be mindful of bringing in your trash cans if you do not utilize "backdoor service".

Thank you for your continued assistance and support!  
The BGP Board of Directors