

News Release

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Curbside collection changes during holiday season

City of Campbell River residents who take their garbage and recyclables to the curb on Wednesdays are reminded that December 25 and January 1 pick-up will be moved to the following day. There will be no other day changes for waste collection, and regular collection resumes for Wednesdays after the holidays.

"There's no change in collection days on any other day of the week. This change applies to the two Wednesdays only," says Amber Zirnhelt, the City's sustainability manager. "People scheduled for Thursday pick-up following December 25 and January 1 during the holidays should be aware that collection times may vary from normal because Emterra is covering two routes those days."

While residents are encouraged to recycle as much as possible, extra garbage collection over the holidays will be available.

From December 26 to January 10, Emterra will accept extra garbage for curbside collection to help people clear away after the holidays. No tags will be required for extra containers, but the weight limit still applies. Each container must weigh no more than 20 kg or 44 pounds.

"We encourage people to find creative ways to reduce, reuse and recycle this Christmas, and create memories while reducing waste. For last minute green gift ideas, try gift certificates for local services such as a car wash, massage, dinner out, movie passes, ski tickets or other activities," Zirnhelt suggests.

Questions about waste collection? Please contact Emterra at 250-286-0211.

Campbell River waste collection guidelines and map are posted on the City's website (www.campbellriver.ca) under *Waste Collection*. The same location offers information about weekly unlimited recycling, including pick-up of plastics #1-7.

Residents are also reminded that an online directory (www.campbellriverrecycles.ca) provides current information about where to return and re-purpose more items than those picked up through curbside collection.

Residents without Internet access can obtain paper copies of waste collection information at City facilities or from Emterra drivers.

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