



## Trash & Recycling Toter/Litter Prevention Enforcement



The City of Morgantown is increasing efforts to clean up Morgantown's appearance to make it more attractive to visitors and to improve the quality of life for its residents.

One of the ways that it will be reaching these goals is to enforce the existing Litter Laws that were amended in early 2013.

### What are the rules?

Every resident of the City of Morgantown is required to have trash service through Republic Services. This contracted service offers curbside trash and recycling services to the residents inside City limits. Recent changes to City Code have made it so that trash service to every residential building with 2+ residents is managed by the landlord. This means that your trash service costs are most likely included in your monthly rent.

It is the residents' job to make sure that the toters make it to the curb so that they can be serviced each week to keep Morgantown clean for its residents and visitors.

Pick-up Routes can be found [on MorgantownWV.gov](http://on.MorgantownWV.gov) under Residents: Trash & Recycling.

### What are my responsibilities?

It is the responsibility of the City to monitor and enforce the Solid Waste Trash Agreement with Republic Services so that trash is picked up from all properties in the City. In order for this to happen, you as a resident are responsible for making sure your toters are by the street when they need to be.

It is the responsibility of the residents to follow the rules and place trash cans at the curb the night before their regular service day (no earlier than 6 p.m.) and remove trash and recycling cans by the evening of the service day (by 9 p.m.).

It is the responsibility of the residents to ensure that the toters make it back in off the curb to a safe place that is out of the view of the general public. If your place of residence does not offer such a location away from the front of your house or rental unit, you can apply for a variance from the City Manager.

### Who enforces these rules?

Prior to the amendments made in early 2013, it was the responsibility of the Morgantown Police Officers to enforce litter laws and regulations as they pertain to the Solid Waste Trash agreement that the City has with Republic Services. Now special Litter Prevention Officers in the Code Enforcement Department of the City of Morgantown have the ability to write citations as well.

### What happens if I don't follow these laws/rules/regulations?

If a Morgantown Police Officer or a Litter Prevention Officer finds that you are improperly storing your garbage, trash, or recycling, you can be fined \$50-\$500 daily (per occurrence). There is no cap to the number you can receive - if you are found to be in violation, you can repeatedly be cited until the proper measures are taken to clean up the property.

### Who do I contact if I have questions?

Morgantown Code Enforcement

(304) 284-7401

Morgantown Police Department

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