

Please Keep the Recycling Stream Clean!

Changes to Your Recycling Program Effective July 15

Dear Meridian Waste Customer,

We would like to bring an important issue regarding your recycling service to your immediate attention. Recycling is a true cycle and requires viable buyers of non-contaminated processed materials to be a truly sustainable system. Unfortunately, the current contamination levels in the recycling we are collecting from Harlem residents is making recycling unsustainable.

These high contamination levels, estimated at more than 50%, are resulting in necessary action on our part in order to keep offering recycling in accordance with our contract with the City.

CONTAMINANTS INCLUDE

(but are not limited to):

Garbage	Hazardous Waste:
Yard Waste	Containers once storing
Plastic Bags	Paint, Auto Fluids,
Shrink Wrap Plastic	Pesticides
Glass	Food Residue:
Wire Hangers	In/On Containers
Clothing	
Diapers	
Aerosol Cans	

Contamination Notification System

Meridian Waste, along with the City of Harlem, have made the following changes to the current recycling program, effective **July 15, 2019**.



Meridian Waste team members will be more closely monitoring the contents of all residents' recycling carts.



First Instance: If a contaminant is found to be in a resident's recycling cart, a **WARNING** sticker will be placed on the cart as a request to no longer place any non-recyclable items in the cart.



Second Instance: If the cart is found to be contaminated with garbage or non-recyclable items a second time, the recycling cart will be removed from the curb and Meridian Waste will **NO LONGER** provide the resident with recycling service.

Please visit MeridianWaste.com/Harlem for a listing of approved recyclable items and to learn more about your garbage guidelines.



Questions?

We're happy to help! Please contact us at (706) 406-8311 or via email at CustomerCareAugustaGA@MeridianWaste.com.