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# **YARD WASTE IN FRISCO**

Yard waste is collected on the same day as your trash and recycling, but IS NOT PERMITTED IN EITHER CART.

NO PLASTIC BAGS. TRASH. DIRT. MULCH. OR ROCKS. Paper yard waste bags must be folded down.

Limbs must be less than 4" in diameter, in 3 foot lengths and bundled with rope or twine (less than 30 lbs each).

You may place up to 10 bags and/or bundles of yard waste at the curb for pickup each week.

### **LAWN GREENING**

Keep your grass and garden growing green, without adding pollution to Frisco's stormwater!

Apply only the recommended amount of fertilizer. Extra nutrients flow easily downstream when it rains.

Avoid application before a rain, and don't overwater with your sprinkler system. Schedule a free sprinkler checkup with the myFRISCO app or call 972-292-5800.

## LAWN CHEMICAL DISPOSAL

Properly dispose of leftover chemicals at Frisco's **Environmental Collection Center.** Dumping hazardous items into your carts endangers your family, neighbors, safe household chemical disposal and Special Drop-Off

truck drivers and recycling workers. To learn more about hours, visit www.FriscoTexas.gov/HHW.

# TRASH ONLY! DO NOT RECYCLE. KEEP OUT OF YARD BAGS.



**NO YARD WASTE** IN EITHER CART.



**GARDEN HOSES** 



**TERRA COTTA POTS** 



**PLASTIC PLANT POTS** 



**PLASTIC BAGS** 



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# Chunk Your Junk



3 a.m. to 12 p.m. May 1, 2021 At 6616 Walnut Street

Map and more information available at www.FriscoTexas.gov/ChunkYourJunk For safety, a face covering is encouraged when dropping off materials. No walk-up drop-offs are permitted.

This is a Do-It-Yourself Disposal Event.

Residents must unload all of their own items, EXCEPT for HHW items.

DO NOT get out of your car in the HHW disposal area. Please have items ready in the trunk, so an attendant can unload them.

Event is for Frisco residents only.

ID and Frisco water bill with matching address are REQUIRED to drop off all items. Please show to attendant through your vehicle window, while it is rolled up, for staff and public safety due to COVID-19.

Event entry will be from southbound 1st Street only

All other entrances will be CLOSED. Please consult map online at www.FriscoTexas.gov/ChunkYourJunk.

Residents must be in line by 11:00 a.m. to receive service

Extremely long lines are expected at this event due to social distancing measures that are necessary for safety. Gates must close at 12 p.m., regardless of any line that remains.

Residents may bring the following items for safe disposal, recycling or donation. To help residents move quickly through the event, items are listed in the order which they can be unloaded.

- **Prescription medications \***
- **Bundled cardboard**
- Plastic bags and Styrofoam
- Paper shredding \*\*

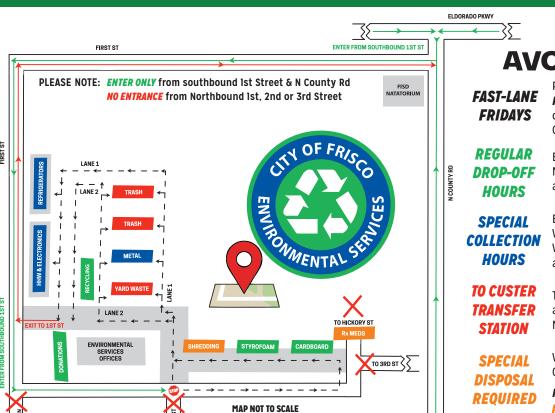
- 5. Yard waste / untreated wood
- 6. Metal / appliances \*\*\*
- 7. All items for trash
- 8. Refrigerators \*\*\*

- **HHW / Electronics \*\*\***
- 10. Donations for Medina Children's Home
- \* Remove all prescription medications ahead of time, and place them in a single bag. Bottles are recyclable. DO NOT bring needles or syringes. NO liquid prescriptions except for cough medicine containing Codeine. A Frisco police officer will be on site to supervise disposal.
- \*\* A free paper shredding service will be provided. There is a FOUR BOX LIMIT per vehicle (max box size 12"W x 15.5"L x 10.5"H). No commercial accounts/quantities accepted. Note: This same service is provided on the 2nd Saturday of every month for a small charge, with no waiting in line.
- Disposal charges are billed to Frisco water account for appliances with Freon (\$40). Limit two (2) TVs and no more than 50 total pounds of paint/HHW.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE (HHW) includes household chemicals, paint, gasoline/oil, batteries, lightbulbs, etc.

UNDER SEVERE/DANGEROUS WEATHER CONDITIONS Chunk Your Junk may be "paused." For up-to-date information, please call 972-292-5900.

THE NEXT CHUNK YOUR JUNK will be on Saturday, August 14 at 6616 Walnut Street.



(for informational

purposes only)

PRE-SORT CARDBOARD, PLASTIC BAGS AND STYROFOAM before arrival to Chunk Your Junk. Load car from #10 to #1, for faster unloading at each station.

Driver's license & Frisco water bill w/ matching address are required to dispose of all items, including HHW. E-waste & refrigerators/Freon.

APARTMENT RESIDENTS may not use Chunk Your Junk, but may drop off during special hours with their ID and a current Frisco rent statement.

# AVOID THE LINES!

Reserve your time slot at FriscoTexas.gov/HHW to experience chemical and electronics drop-off ON YOUR SCHEDULE!

Bring items in GREEN to 6616 Walnut Street Monday - Friday 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. and Saturday 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Bring items in **BLUE** to 6616 Walnut Street Wednesday 2 p.m. - 5 p.m. (October - February) Wednesday 2 p.m. - 6 p.m. (March - September) and Saturday 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Take items in **RED** to the Custer Transfer Station at 9901 Custer Road in Plano Monday - Saturday 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

We accept items in **ORANGE** ONLY during Chunk Your Junk.

Note: Some local pharmacies may accept prescription medications for disposal. Please call them ahead to verify.



### FRISCO BAGS RECYCLING

# Litter is BY FAR the most common source of stormwater pollution in Frisco.

When your carts tip over during regular service, the wind can blow pieces of paper and other lightweight recyclables into the alley or street.

When it rains, this litter often flows into nearby storm drains, ending up in Frisco's creeks, ponds and natural areas. *Prevent litter by BAGGING BOTH trash and recycling!* 

## **RECYCLING/TRASH SET-OUT GUIDELINES**

# Follow these easy set-out guidelines to keep your services running smoothly every week!

Roll carts out no later than 7am. Trucks run from 7am-7pm each day.

Roll carts down to edge of driveway, where it meets the alley/street.

**Carts must be placed at least 3 feet from all obstacles, i**ncluding fences, gas meters, vehicles, yard waste, and even other carts.

**Cart lids must fully close.** Drivers will not service overloaded carts. Bags set next to carts or on top of cart lid will prevent service.

**Carts may not be too heavy.** Rocks, concrete, bricks, mulch, dirt, etc. must be taken to the Melissa Landfill, with an Authorization Letter (email EnvironmentalServices@FriscoTexas.gov).

No yard waste or household hazardous waste (HHW) are permitted in carts. Carts containing anything other than trash/recycling WILL NOT be serviced.

## OUR PART TO PLAY: KEEPING FRISCO'S STORMWATER CLEAN

# Every time it rains, Frisco's stormwater flows from storm drains directly into our creeks and streams.

Rainwater runoff carries anything that's on the ground straight into the storm drain, like yard chemicals, pet waste, oil, dirt and even loose trash/litter. Eventually, this water flows into lakes that supply drinking water for millions of other people. This means we all have a part to play in keeping Frisco's stormwater clean! Here are some easy ways you can help:

- **I. See something? Say something.** Download the myFrisco app or submit the online form to report illegal dumping, chemicals in the street or alley and other illicit discharges.
- 2. Dispose of yard waste properly. Never blow grass, leaves or other debris into storm drains.
- **3. Organize a neighborhood litter cleanup,** so less trash will end up in our waterways!
- **4. Always bag your recycling and trash.** This helps to prevent litter in the first place.

Learn more at FriscoTexas.Gov/Stormwater.



# Play NATURALLY

Gorgeous weather, spring-green leaves, wildflower blooms and family time are all reasons to #ThinkOutside, and "Play Naturally" in Frisco!

Frisco's Natural Resources programs are designed to help you engage with, explore and enjoy Frisco's natural areas at your own pace. Whether you're indoors or outside, there's something for all ages! **What will YOU discover?** 

- ON AY FRICE OP RANGES
- Nature in Your Neighborhood
- The Frisco Junior Ranger Program
- · Ecosystem Restoration
- · Living with Wildlife
- Trees & Urban Forestry

TIP! Follow @PlayFrisco on social media and visit FriscoTexas.gov/NaturalResources to learn more!

# **PLANT SMART**

# Spring is for planting... and *replacing* all those plants we lost to February's deep freeze!

No clue where to start? Don't panic... we have some ideas. "Plant SMART" now to SAVE TIME, WATER & MONEY down the road!

Believe it or not, you don't have to be a "plant person" to grow a beautiful, resilient, and low-maintenance landscape.

# **PlantSMARTFrisco.org** is

intended to function as a "gateway" resource for Frisco residents. The educational website provides information on 100 native/adapted plants, query tools to narrow down your favorites, plus links to locally-relevant, authoritative horticultural resources.



PlantSMARTFrisco.org represents an educational partnership between the City of Frisco and the Frisco Garden Club. The website was recognized with a Digital Media Award from the Native Plant Society of Texas in 2018.



# SPRING IS HERE!





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WATER WISELY AT HOME



Don't wait... book your home's appointment with the **myFRISCO opp**, or call <del>972-292-5800.</del> Schedule a free sprinkler check up with one of Frisco's own licensed irrigators.

beautiful landscape year-round. Learn more at FriscoTexas.Gov/AskAnlrrigator. is designed to teach residents home irrigation basics, so you can enjoy a healthy, Master your home's automatic sprinkler system! The "Ask An Irrigator" video series



on seasonal landscape recommendations, service reminders, events and programs. releases like "Waterwise Tips" and "Nature in Your Neighborhood." Plus, stay up-to-date Follow @Play Frisco on Facebook, and join the Play Naturally group for regular video





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