

# Bulky Wood Waste Guide - How to dispose of it in Arlington

\* **burnable bulky item**: one is allowable per week per household. That means ONE PIECE, not one piece of furniture broken into pieces.

## What is allowable wood waste in Arlington curbside trash?

- Small amounts of milled wood and particle board can be included with household trash as part of the 100 gallon (three 32-gallon barrel) weekly trash limit
- A crate, box or pallet is considered a **burnable bulky item**\*
- Wood furniture should be kept whole, not broken down into pieces, and is considered a **burnable bulky item**\*
- Wood composite furniture is considered a **bulk item**\*. Please keep pieces together, preferably assembled.
- Natural wooden logs, limbs and root balls *are not allowable, per state waste ban laws*

## How much wood waste is allowable?

- One 32-gallon trash barrel of wood waste per week per household is allowable, and is included as part of the allowable trash limit of 100 gallons per household, per week
- A trash barrel of wood waste *cannot exceed 50 lbs.*
- Bulky wood items that do not fit in a trash barrel can be placed out as a **burnable bulky item**\*

## How to prepare the wood waste for collection:

- MUST be placed in a trash barrel for safe handling purposes
- Pieces MUST be cut to under 4 feet in length
- NAILS must be hammered down flat or removed

## How to prepare specific items:

- *Swing sets or wooden play structure*: leave ladders intact and place out as a bulk item. All other pieces should be prepared and set out at the curb as described above.
- *Built-in furniture*: one furniture-sized piece is acceptable as a bulk item if it is recognizable and intact.
- *Fence sections (typically 8-feet long)*: One 4-foot length is considered one **burnable bulky item**\*
  - Fence that is 4-feet high and under: sections should be cut into 4-foot lengths
  - Fence that is over 4-feet high: 4-foot long sections should be cut again into 4-foot high pieces

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- \* Multiple small pieces of wood waste should fit into a trash barrel for safe handling purposes, no nails/screws sticking out
- \* ONE BARREL of wood waste counts as part of the weekly household limit of 100 gallons, or three 32-gallon trash barrels

Type of wood	Trash?	How to prepare	Examples
Milled boards Milles lengths Particle board	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cut to under 4 feet long</li> <li>* Fit in a trash barrel</li> <li>• One barrel full per week</li> <li>• MUST weigh under 50 lbs.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Acceptable</b></p> <p>If under 4 feet</p>
Boxes Crates Pallets	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Fit in a trash barrel</li> <li>OR</li> <li>• Place out as a bulk item</li> </ul>	<p><b>Acceptable</b></p>
Logs Branches	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Give them to someone with a fireplace</li> <li>• Dispose of with landscaping service</li> </ul>	<p><b>NOT Acceptable (state law)</b></p> <p>MUST be under 4 feet</p>
Molding Strapping 2' x 4' lengths	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cut to under 4 feet long</li> <li>* Fit in a trash barrel</li> <li>• One can full per week</li> <li>• MUST weigh under 50 lbs.</li> </ul>	<p><b>NOT Acceptable</b> (Waste-to-energy facility rule)</p> <p><b>Acceptable</b></p>
Furniture Built-in furniture	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Leave furniture in one piece</li> <li>• One piece (<b>Bulky Item</b>) per week</li> <li>IMPORTANT: Dismantled furniture looks like scrap wood and reveals nails and splintered wood.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chair</li> <li>• Table</li> <li>• Wood bed or futon frame</li> <li>• Sofa</li> <li>• Bench</li> </ul>
Fencing	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One length per week</li> <li>• 4 feet high and wide</li> <li>• 8 feet high cut to 4 feet high</li> </ul>	<p><b>Acceptable</b></p>

