

## **Garbage Collection & Recycling Guidelines**

### **Garbage Collection:**

Kenmure Property Owners Association contracts for garbage pickup with GDS, Inc. of Asheville. The fee for this service is part of your KPOA annual assessment. GDS can be contacted in Asheville at (828)-253-3929

- Normal garbage pickup days in Kenmure are Mondays. Have your garbage at the street early in the morning on pickup days.
- GDS collects household garbage only. Each customer is allowed up to 4 bags of household garbage per week. There is a \$1.00 per bag charge for any garbage over the 4-bag limit. GDS does not collect furniture, appliances, construction waste, or yard waste such as leaves or brush. If you want these materials collected, contact GDS directly to arrange for a private pickup at your expense. We recommend that garbage be placed in garbage cans rather than plastic bags and only placed outside on the morning of pickup to reduce the opportunity for animals to scatter the garbage.
- GDS recognizes only two holidays a year (Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day). If Christmas falls on our regular Monday pickup day, the KPOA Security and Garbage Committee will communicate to residents the alternate procedure to be followed. Hazardous materials will not be recycled or picked up as garbage. Some examples are paint cans, antifreeze containers, motor oil, etc. For more information on hazardous material disposal, contact the Henderson County Solid Waste Department.

### **Recycling Instructions:**

Material to be recycled must be set out in blue plastic recycling bags. You may purchase blue recycle bags in most local grocery stores. Recycle material put out in other containers such as blue grocery bags or paper store bags will be treated as garbage and not recycled.

The GDS trucks normally used for Kenmure pickups have separate bins for the blue recycle bags. However, if these bins are already full or if a substitute truck without a separate recycle bin is being used, the blue bags will be combined with the ordinary garbage. GDS pays no dumping fee for the blue bags, so they will try whenever possible to keep the blue recycle bags separate.

### **The following items may to be recycled in blue bags:**

- All glass food jars and beverage bottles: Rinse containers and remove all lids and rings.
- Food and beverage cans: Rinse all cans.
- Newspapers (including inserts), magazines, catalogs and phone books.
- White and Yellow plastic milk jugs and plastic drink bottles (look for a #1 or #2 symbol on or near the bottom of the bottle).

### **The following items may not be recycled in blue bags:**

- Light bulbs, cookware, mirrors, window glass, ceramic dishes, drinking glasses, other glass items (for safety reasons, do not put broken glass in blue bags).
- Aluminum foil, aluminum pie plates or any other type of metal.
- Plastic grocery bags (they may be recycled at grocery stores).
- Plastic detergent or shampoo bottles, margarine tubs, or any other type of plastic.
- Plastic motor oil jugs or other similar empty hazardous waste containers.

Before putting recyclables in your blue bags always remove and throw away all lids and caps, rinse all containers, and flatten all plastics.

### **Most Commonly Asked Questions:**

Q: What if our garbage has been missed on pickup day?

A: Call GDS that day or next day and they will send driver back to pick it up

Q: Will the driver pick up garbage that has been scattered by animals?

A: GDS drivers are NOT responsible for picking up scattered garbage. To avoid this problem, do not put your garbage out at the street the night before and put garbage in garbage cans not plastic trash bags.

Q: Is there a limit on the weight of bags picked up?

A: There is a 50 lb. per bag limit, and if over this limit the driver will not pick it up.

Q: What do I do with my garbage on snow days?

A: If regular pickup needs to be cancelled or curtailed due to bad weather, it will normally be rescheduled for the following day (weather permitting). For details, check the Kenmure emergency information phone line or look for an email message.