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Properly Store Trash During Collection Delays

The current shortage of drivers for Trash and Recycling Collection is causing delays in our town and throughout the region. Going forward into the summer months we should anticipate delays in collection causing further interruptions. We ask residents to make every effort possible to properly secure trash.

With the possibility of refuse being curbside for longer periods than normal due to schedule interruptions, it is more important now than ever that trash be in closed secure containers. Open trash cans (without lids), cardboard boxes, or paper bags filled with refuse are not secure; weather, winds, animals and birds will scatter trash between curbside placement and eventual pickup. Plastic bags (e.g., "hefty"), while permitted in Delanco Township Code 245-9(G) may not be durable enough (easily torn open by raccoons & birds) if refuse is out for several days awaiting pickup.

DELANCO TOWNSHIP CODE: CHAPTER 245-9 Receptacles

- A. The owner, agent, lessee, tenant or occupant of every dwelling, market, restaurant or other premises in the Township where paper, garbage, rubbish or refuse shall accumulate must provide and keep on such premises sufficient and suitable receptacles or cans or barrels, and tight-fitting covers for the same, for receiving and holding the aforesaid materials. Paper shall be prepared as set forth in § 245-13 of this chapter.
- B. "Sufficient" is defined for the purpose of this section to be at least one metal or plastic receptacle, metal or plastic can or metal or plastic barrel for each family unit residing on the premises, and at least two such receptacles for each restaurant, market, store or similar establishment where the aforesaid material shall accumulate. [Amended 1-19-1998 by Ord. No. 1-1998]
- C. "Suitable" is defined for the purpose of this section to be a receptacle, can or barrel made of metal or plastic of a substantial nature such as galvanized iron, with a tight-fitting cover of metal or plastic, so constructed as to prevent spilling or leakage of its contents. It shall be waterproofed, and not more than 18 inches in

diameter and 26 inches in height and not more than 30 gallons' capacity, and equipped with pull handles. [Amended 1-19-1998 by Ord. No. 1-1998]

- D. The use of baskets as receptacles for waste material is not permitted.
- E. Receptacles that are badly broken or otherwise fail to meet the requirements of this section may be classed as rubbish and may be collected as such by the Township.
- F. In dwellings, tenements and apartment houses containing three dwelling units or less, the receptacles shall be purchased and maintained, in the absence of a contract, by the tenants. In dwellings, tenements and apartment houses of more than three dwelling units, such receptacles shall be purchased and maintained, in the absence of a contract, by the landlord.
- G. A suitable and sufficient receptacle shall also be deemed to mean a plastic-bag-type container so manufactured as to be waterproof and of sufficient strength to hold its contents without leakage or spilling or tearing. Such plastic container shall not be more than 18 inches in diameter and 26 inches in height and not more than of a thirty-gallon capacity, and shall not weigh more than 50 pounds when filled. Such receptacle shall be sealed or bound and tied securely at any opening.