West Milwaukee Village Furnished Refuse Cart Policy.

The Village of West Milwaukee purchased and delivered wheeled 95 gallon refuse carts to the all properties that receive trash pickup by the Department of Public Works. These containers were delivered to the residential properties and are expected to be used exclusively for refuse generated by that particular residence. Refuse carts remain the property of the Village of West Milwaukee and shall be used in accordance with the applicable provisions of Chapter 70 – Solid Waste.

The VWM refuse cart, by use of a unique serial identification number, is permanently assigned to the residential property receiving service by the Village. Such cart shall remain on the premises at all times, regardless of ownership or change of ownership of the property.

The owner of the property to which a refuse cart is furnished, shall be responsible for exercising normal care in its use. Any damage due to negligence, exclusive of normal wear and tear, on the part of the property owner, his tenants, or agents for failure to exercise such care, shall be the responsibility of the affected property owner, including reimbursement to the village for the cost of repair or replacement as required.

If a refuse cart needs replacement or when additional containers are requested the following applies:

- Second and additional refuse containers will be charged at full cost for replacement plus delivery charge if applicable.
- Lost or stolen refuse containers will be charged at full cost for replacement plus delivery charge if applicable.
- Refuse containers damaged by misuse or by a third party will be charged at the full cost for replacement plus delivery charge, if applicable.
- Refuse containers damaged in the regular collection process (normal deterioration) will be charged prorated replacement costs. Containers within the 10 year lifespan will cost a prorated fee, plus delivery charge, if applicable. Call DPW at 414-645-6238 for exact amount.
- Refuse containers damaged unintentionally (not normal deterioration) by the Department of Public Works will be replaced by the Village.
- Newly constructed residential properties will receive the first refuse container free of charge. This does not include remodels, but applies only to new homes with new addresses.
- Containers obtained from the Village of West Milwaukee have a 10-year life expectancy.

Full cost equals $50 ($5 per year pro-rated)
Delivery charge $10
Passed and adopted by the Village Board on April 20, 2015.