Mall/Concourse Maintenance Update - May 2012

Because Mall/Concourse Maintenance gets many trash and recycling questions, we've put together some important points to remember. Complete trash and recycling information, including updates, can always be found in the Streets Division section of the City of Madison website, www.cityofmadison.com/streets.

Trash Collection

- Mall/Concourse Maintenance collects trash for merchants and residents who do not have a private dumpster, cannot store the City's tan trash carts, or have no convenient side-street frontage on which to set the tan carts out. Merchant/resident trash is collected only every Thursday morning, shortly after 6am (4am in the winter months). Please plan to have all trash at the curb by 6am whenever possible, as street activities and traffic frequently prevent the Mall/Concourse garbage truck from accessing the street later in the day.
- Please refrain from placing bags of merchant or residential trash out on days other than Thursday.
- If using a tan City of Madison refuse cart, please wheel it to a nearby side street for access by automated Streets Division trucks; the Mall/Concourse garbage truck is not equipped to empty these carts.
- Large items such as furniture are collected by the Streets Division every other Thursday, on weeks opposite recycling collection. Please check the website for schedules.
- Rules applying to residential refuse collection also apply in the Downtown area. Stickers are required for appliances, air conditioners, microwaves, fluorescent fixtures, and many more items. Stickers can be ordered on-line, by mail, and can be picked up in person. Please check the website for purchase information and a listing of items which require stickers. Items without stickers cannot be collected.
- Please bring televisions, computer monitors, and CPUs to a drop-off site for recycling. These items cannot be collected curbside.
- If you cannot reuse Styrofoam packing peanuts and must dispose of them, please bag them securely and put the bags at the curb as near to pickup time as possible to avoid unsightly spillage.

Recycling

- Recycling is collected by the Streets Division every other Thursday. Check the website to find recycling schedules. Please put items to be recycled into the green carts when possible.
- The City of Madison's recycling program is constantly expanding, but unfortunately we are not yet available to accept any Styrofoam (including food containers), plastic wrap, or greasy pizza boxes. Please place these items in the trash or reuse when appropriate.

Dumpsters

The large green city-owned dumpsters in parking lots and ramps are used by Mall/Concourse and Parking Utility. Please refrain from placing any items in these dumpsters. Instead, use the tan or green City of Madison carts, place your bags curbside on Thursday mornings, or make arrangements with a private disposal company.

Sidewalk trash and Recycling containers

These decorative metal containers are placed for the convenience of pedestrians who need to dispose of cups, wrappers, bottles, and the like. They were never intended to function as drop-off points for merchant or residential trash and recycling. These containers are crucial to maintaining the cleanliness of the sidewalks, but yet are very difficult to site. Please assist us in keeping them available for pedestrian use by disposing of your own trash and recycling correctly.

Please check <u>www.cityofmadison.com/streets</u>, <u>www.cityofmadison.com/parks/services/mallmaintenance.cfm</u>, or call Mall/Concourse Maintenance at 608-266-6031 if you have further questions.