

# Debris Sorting

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Florida residents with storm-generated debris from Hurricane Ian should follow instructions from local officials about sorting materials and placing on the curb for collection.

## Debris Separation

Localities frequently ask residents to sort debris into various categories.

**Electronics.** Examples: television, computer, audio equipment, phone, DVD player

**Hazardous Waste.** Examples: oil, batteries, pesticides, cleaning supplies, compressed gas, paints. (Note: If you suspect that materials contain lead-based paint, keep them moist or contain materials in plastic bags so that the paint does not become airborne.)

**Construction and Demolition debris.** Examples: lumber, roofing, and other structural debris strewn by storm

**Household Garbage.** Examples: bagged garbage, discarded food, paper, packaging • Large Appliances/white goods. Examples: refrigerator, washer/dryer, air conditioner, stove, water heater, dishwasher. (Note: Do not leave doors unsealed or unsecured.)

**Vegetative Debris.** Examples: trees, tree branches, logs, plants, leaves

Do not place debris on or near downed power lines or close to utility boxes.

## Collection

Your local officials will tell you what's authorized and what isn't for pickup near the public right-of-way as well as how to place it there. Debris should not block the roadway.



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Placing debris near or on trees, poles or other structures makes removal difficult. This includes fire hydrants and meters.

### **Demolition, Repair and Reconstruction Debris**

Examples include building materials, drywall, lumber, carpet, furniture and plumbing. Demolition, repair and reconstruction by a contractor hired by a property owner generally includes removal and disposal of materials

