



Careful

Your garbage isn't the only thing I pick up.

Waste collectors are three times more likely than the average New Brunswicker to get hurt on the job.

You can help keep waste collectors like me safe.



Lighten the load!
Always ensure each bag can be easily lifted with one hand.



Ensure garbage is accessible.
Always place bags and bins on level ground and as close to the street as possible. Never put garbage on snowbanks.



Box your glass!
Put broken glass in a box and clearly label the container "broken glass" or "sharp objects."



No needles!
Never put needles or other medical waste in your garbage or recycling bins. Contact your pharmacy** for proper disposal instruction.



Careful around collectors!
Take extra care when you see a garbage truck on the street. Approach slowly and carefully, watching for collectors.



Leave room in the bag or bin.
Don't overfill garbage bags. Leave enough free space at the top so the bag is easy to grab. Never overstuff bins or carts.



Properly dispose of hazardous waste.
Hazardous waste, such as bleach and pool chemicals, can be reactive or corrosive. Never put this in your garbage.*



Ensure yard waste is easy to handle.
If using bags for leaves, wait until the organic material is dry before bagging it.



Go to worksafenb.ca for more tips.

* Most regions have household hazardous waste depots. If you're unsure of what garbage is hazardous, or how to safely dispose of hazardous waste, check with your regional solid waste organization or regional service commission. ** You may also contact your regional solid waste organization or regional service commission for proper disposal instruction.