



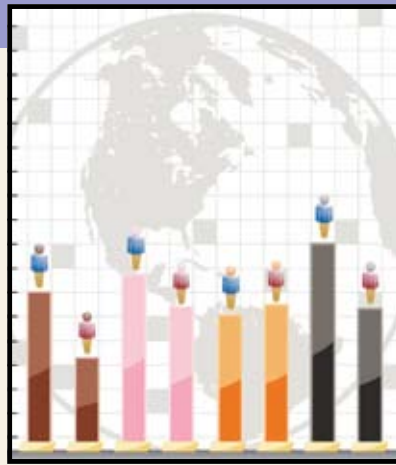
Census 2010 – “Be Counted”

The City of Darien is preparing for the 2010 Census. Taken every ten (10) years, the census is a count of everyone living in the United States, including people of all ages, races, ethnic groups – both citizens and non-citizens. On April 1, 2010, the U.S. Census Bureau will issue a call to action for every resident in our nation: “Be Counted.”

It is extremely important for each Darien resident to participate in the Census. Last year the City of Darien received \$131.85 in state revenue for each resident counted. This revenue is used for many important City services and projects. In addition to providing funds, Census data guides local decision-makers in important community planning efforts, including where to build roads, hospitals and schools. Census data also determines where jobs and job programs are needed throughout the country, and leads to the redrawing of legislative

districts and the redistribution of seats in Congress. The Census questionnaire, which will be mailed out in March 2010 and consists of ten (10) questions.

Questionnaires come with a postage-paid return envelope and are expected to take just a few minutes to complete. Please note that any and all information submitted to the U.S. Census Bureau is kept highly confidential. Visit the Official United States 2010 Census website, 2010.census.gov/2010census to view the Census questions in advance and to find out more information on the benefits you and the Darien community will receive through your participation.



**City Council meeting dates for March & April are:
March 1st & 15th • April 5th & 19th**

City of Darien 2010 brush pick-up schedule

June	21 through 25
July	26 through 30
August	23 through 27
September	20 through 24

All brush needs to be out by no later than the Sunday night prior to the designated pick up week. The chipping crew can make only one pass and may complete your street as soon as Monday morning.

Residents who are unable to put their brush out prior to the scheduled week can take it to the Municipal Services Facility, located at 1041 S. Frontage Road, and place it in the brush dumpster. Brush will be accepted Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. No landscape companies are allowed to dump in the brush dumpsters.

If you have any questions regarding brush pick up, please contact Municipal Services at 630-353-8105.

Be sure to use a licensed contractor



The City of Darien requires all contractors performing permitted work within the city become licensed with the city. When a contractor becomes licensed with the city they are required to provide contact information, liability insurance and a construction bond. These items are in place to insure that the construction is completed in accordance with our building codes.

Registration allows the City of Darien to better regulate construction activity and contractors working in the city. It also gives the resident an avenue of recourse should the construction not be up to code.

Please call the Building Department at 630-353-8115 when considering construction to determine if the contractor is currently licensed with the City of Darien.

Do I need a building permit?

The following information is provided to help guide the homeowner on various interior and exterior home remodeling projects. For more detailed information please contact the building department at 630-353-8115, email mwintermute@darien.il.us, or visit www.darien.il.us. Always consult with the building department regarding local building setback requirements, and any items not addressed on this sheet. Please note that all contractors must be licensed with the City of Darien before beginning any work. Please contact the building department to determine if your contractor is licensed.

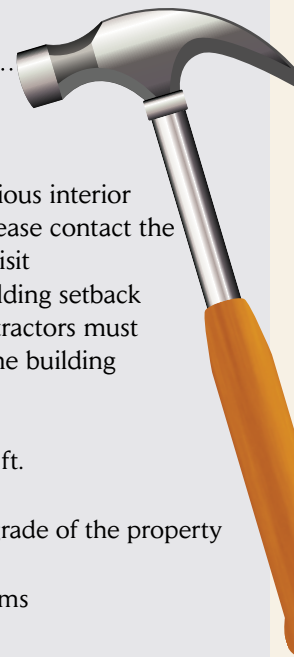
Permits required: (examples)

- New dwelling structures
- Room additions
- Garages, attached and detached
- Alterations where structural elements are affected, i.e.; new openings in foundations, walls, ceilings, roofs, enlarged door and window openings.
- Re-roofing – tearing off old shingles
- All new electrical & plumbing installations (in wall work)
- Fireplaces and solid fuel burning stoves
- New air conditioning units
- Generators
- Sheds
- Swimming pools – in ground and above ground
- Patios, including paver brick
- Decks and porches
- Fences
- Driveways – including paver brick
- New water service
- Sewer work (in public right of way)

- Concrete work over 100 sq. ft.
- Landscaping ponds
- Landscaping that alters the grade of the property
- Retaining walls
- Underground sprinkler systems
- Wheelchair lifts/elevators

Permits not required (examples):

- Normal repair and maintenance
- Roof overlay – limited to a total of 2 layers of roofing material.
- Replacement of deteriorated materials.
- Siding, soffit & fascia
- Windows & doors – replacing with same size.
- Superficial remodeling which does not affect structural elements, such as drywall and plaster work.
- Replacing fixtures
- Exterior concrete flatwork under 100 sq feet, such as stoops and service walks.
- Driveway overlay or sealcoating
- Simple landscaping that DOES NOT change the grading of the property.





RECYCLING CORNER



The Safe Pharmaceutical Disposal Act

You can help keep our water clean! It is good to remember that no one should flush or pour their old medications down the drain where they will end up in our water. DuPage County has provided FREE prescription and OTC medication drop off. Unwanted medicine excluding regulated medicines/controlled substances can be dropped off at any of the following locations:

- DuPage Sheriff; 501 N. County Farm Rd., Wheaton
- Carol Stream Police Department; 500 N. Gary Ave.
- Bloomingdale Police Department; 2015 Bloomingdale Rd.
- Lisle Police Department, 5040 Lincoln Ave.
- Burr Ridge Police Department; 7660 County Line Rd.
- Addison Police Department; 3 Friendship Plaza
- Wood Dale Police Department; 404 N. Wood Dale Rd.
- Glendale Heights Police Department; 300 Civic Center Plaza
- Schaumburg Police Department; 1000 W. Schaumburg Rd.
- Lemont Police Department; 416 Main St.
- Oak Brook Police Department; 1200 Oak Brook Rd.
- Wheaton Police Department, 900 W Liberty

To drop off medication, remove old/unwanted medications from their containers and put in a ziploc-type bag. If the medication is liquid, leave it in its container, but be sure to block out any personal information.

Recycle your old computer

If you have an old computer to dispose of, don't put it in the landfill. Recycle it! DELL and Goodwill have teamed up to provide this service. You can drop any old computer system at your local Goodwill Donation Center. For more information or to find a location near you go to www.goodwill.org, or call 630-357-6258.

Receive \$25 for your old appliance

Do you have an old refrigerator that is no longer needed or just keeping the soda cool? Consider recycling it with ComEd. Those old, inefficient refrigerators which were made without current energy saving standards may be costing you more than you know. According to ComEd, that old appliance could be using up to 5 times more energy than a new one and costing over \$150 more in electric bills.

If you are a ComEd customer, they will:

- Pick up your refrigerator or freezer (or old room air conditioner) for FREE
- Pay you \$25
- Dismantle and recycle as many of the refrigerator parts as possible and properly dispose of any remaining parts

For more details and contact information call 1-888-806-2273 between 7am-8pm M-F and 9am-5pm Saturday.



Your elected city officials and city administrator

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City Administrator
630-353-8114

ARC Rates 2010

The City of Darien is entering into its sixth year with ARC Disposal as its refuse hauler. Each April 1st the rates go up according to the contract. Although the rates have changed, the pickup procedures remain the same for 2010-2011. Below is a summary of our garbage services for the coming year:

Waste hauling/recycling

Darien uses a sticker system in which residents affix one sticker for each 32/33 gallon garbage cans or on a garbage bag and it is picked up on a regularly scheduled garbage day. The weight limit for the garbage is 50 pounds per container. Yard waste can be put in a brown paper bag or put in a garbage can with a permanent "YARD WASTE ONLY" tag affixed to the side. The stickers and tags can be picked up at City Hall.

	April 2010 -March 2011
Refuse Sticker price – 32 gallon	\$2.46
Optional Cart 64 gallon - Monthly fee	\$16.00
Optional Cart 96 gallon - Monthly fee	\$21.35

Garbage holidays

Our garbage collectors have six holidays: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas. On the weeks that this occurs, garbage collection will be pushed back one day from the holiday.

Bulk items

Bulk items are large items that are not included in normal garbage pick-up. Examples of bulk items are sofas, loveseats, chairs, tables, and microwaves. **Two stickers** must be affixed to each bulk item for it to be removed on your normal garbage pick-up day.



White goods

White goods include refrigerators, ranges, stoves, freezers, air conditioners, water heaters, another other domestic large appliances. Because these need to be disassembled by hand because of environmentally harmful materials, **five stickers** are required to be affixed before they will be removed on your regular garbage pick-up day.

Dumpsters

ARC Disposal/Allied Waste is the **exclusive** hauler for all permitted jobs within the City of Darien. Dumpsters are provided at the following rates, according to contract. To schedule a dumpster, contact Allied Waste at 1-800-345-1408.

Current Fees April 2010 thru March 2011	
Delivery Fee	\$50.00
10-Cubic Yard Roll-Off Container Service (per load) includes 2 tons	\$241.00
20-Cubic Yard Roll-Off Container Service (per load) includes 3 tons	\$285.00
30-Cubic Yard Roll-Off Container Service (per load) includes 4.5 tons	\$349.00
Disposal Rate for Roll-Off Container Service Overages (per ton)	\$45.13

Recycling

Recycling is free when put in 18 gallon recycling bins that can be purchased at City Hall for \$7.00. Please help keep our neighborhoods clean by placing heavy recyclables on top, which keeps the lighter items from blowing out of the bins and into our yards. The following are examples of acceptable and unacceptable recycling items:

Acceptable Items	Items Not Accepted
Newspapers	Styrofoam
Steel Cans & Tins	Motor Oil
Glass Bottles & Jars	Insecticide
Detergent & Fabric Softener Containers	Items contaminated with food
Plastic Buckets	Pizza Boxes
Milk & Juice Jugs	Tarps
Aluminum Cans	*Plastic Grocery Bags

*Plastic grocery bags can be recycled in many grocery stores. Jewel will accept these grocery bags back for recycling.