☆Garbage Guide for M------ X-choume 2013☆

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This is a translation of what Chikushino City gives out. To check the original Japanese version, remember that our administrative district (行政区) is NOT M------, it is A-------, which is #2 on the Japanese guide.

No pick up on: May 3 - 6, August 13 - 15, November 21 - 24, and December 31 - January 2, 2014.

Type of Trash	Collection Days	What it Includes / Instructions
Burnable 可燃物/	Sunday & Wednesday	Food scraps, diapers, shoes, CDs, DVDs, branches, grass, plastic containers. (And anything else that can burn and fit in the bag.)
燃えるゴミ	_	*White Styrofoam trays, aseptic cartons marked 紙パック, and paper and
(かねんぶつ/		light cardboard marked with 紙 inside of Δ can be taken to Recycle Boxes
もえるごみ)		at supermarkets and community centers. *Newspapers, magazines, and cardboard can be taken to collection points or directly to Clean Hill Houman.
Cans 缶(かん)	2nd and 4th Friday	Empty & wash before throwing out.
Glass Bottles ビン	1st and 3rd Friday	Glass bottles from food, drinks, spices, cosmetics, etc. Throw the lid away with its similar material trash, and wash the bottle before throwing out.
Non-Burnable 不燃物/ 燃えないゴミ (ふねんぶつ/	2nd and 4th Thursday	Purses, handbags, and briefcases with metal attachments; umbrellas; small household electronics; mirrors, things with glass parts; dishes, cups, and other ceramic ware; kettles, frying pans, knives (wrap the blade in paper or cloth), and other metal things; fluorescent lights and light bulbs; EMPTY spray cans and lighters; one-use kairo.
もえないごみ)		Make sure spray cans and lighters are empty, as their contents are highly flammable. To empty spray cans completely: 1. Take the nozzle off 2. Turn the can upside down against the ground (preferably concrete) 3. Push down on it to empty it.
PET Bottles	1st and 3rd	Drink bottles and other containers bearing the mark △PET. Empty &
ペットボトル	Thursday	wash before throwing away. Take the cap off and throw it away in the Burnable Trash, but you can leave the label on.
Large Trash 粗 大ゴミ (そだいごみ)	Wednesday by reservation & with sticker ONLY Chikushi Bisou (筑紫美掃) 092-925-6218	Bicycles; dressers, beds, sofas, desks, and other furniture; futon. Buy "sodai gomi shiiru" by asking for it at the register at supermarkets. It costs 500 yen. (E.g. "sodai gomi shiiru wo ichi mai onegai shimasu" = "Please give me one large trash sticker.") If what you're throwing out can't be lifted by one person, put two stickers on it. Call Chikushi Bisou at least 2 days before the collection day and tell them what trash you have. They'll verify the collection day. The operators most likely don't speak English, so ask your supervisor, Area Leaders, or other Japanese speaker if you need help making this call.

Other Things that Must Be Thrown Away Separately

◎ TVs, air conditioners, refrigerators, freezers, washers, dryers: If you're not using it anymore, have it taken back by the store you bought it from. If you're buying a new one, have the store that's bringing your new unit take the old one away. If neither is the case, buy a 家電リサイクル券 (かでん リサイク

ル けん - Home Electronics Recycling Coupon) at the post office and call the indicated company.

There may be additional transport fees.

- O Computers: Send it to the manufacturer.
- Motorbikes: Take to a junk yard or call the Motorbike & Bicycle Call Center: 03-3598-8075
- Ory Cell Batteries, Button Batteries: Take to a community center or electronics store with a collection box for batteries. (The nearest store that collects them is Yamada Denki. Give the batteries to the clerks at the service counter, as there is no box out in the open for them.)
- O Cell phones: Take it to the store you bought it from.
- Waste oil, gas cylinders, medicine: Take to the store you bought it from. Gas Cartridges Call

Center: 0120-14-9996

- © Fire extinguishers: Call the Fire Extinguisher Recycle Center: 03-5829-6773
- If you have a remarkable volume of trash, please call a disposal company.

Taking Trash Directly to Clean Hill Houman (クリーンヒル宝満)

- •When taking trash to Clean Hill Houman, you don't need the special designated bags nor stickers, but you should sort it in advance. There are things they can't take so check in advance.
- The fee is 150 yen per 10kg of trash (tax in).
- Many people take trash at the end and beginning of the year, so sometimes there are long waits at those times.
- Hours: Monday Friday 9AM 4PM; Saturday 9AM 3PM; Afternoon break: 12 1PM.
- Closed: Sundays; May 3 5, August 13 15, December 31 January 3.
- Address: 筑紫野市大字原田 1 3 8 9 番地 Chikushino City, Daiji Harada 1389 banchi
- •TEL: 092-926-5300

Eli's advice: I personally found the Clean Hill route too expensive. The cab fare roundtrip was over 5000 yen, and you have to pay to have them take the trash. (They weigh the car before and after entering to determine the fee.) Even though I split the cost with another ALT, I wondered if burning all that gasoline to get there canceled out the recycling of what cardboard and newspaper we had. If you just want to get rid of everything at once (without being shameless and pushing your old crap on other ALTs) it's a good option, but I suggest just putting stuff out gradually throughout the year, and breaking stuff down so that if fits in the garbage bags.

Also, you can have metal things such as bicycles taken away by local scrap collectors for free. The same people can also take away things like TVs for a fee. One local company I've used is Earth Recycle Fukuoka. Call ----- and ask for -----. (Japanese only.) [Redacted for internet publication]