



# **TRASH BAGS**

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## INTRODUCTION



**Trash Bags was started in 2008 by me, Andy Larson, a longtime bike messenger (9 years +) from Minneapolis, MN. Over the course of my courier career I have used a variety of different bags, from old army issue backpacks to modern courier bags. Each seemed to lack something in usability, be it ‘haulability’, comfort, or toughness. I set out to make a messenger bag that was not only rugged tough and waterproof, but also comfortable and able to carry cargo—big and small. With these goals in mind, Trash Bags was born.**

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### **These bags are tested & retested**

I won't let a bag design out of the shop without it passing extensive testing on the streets of Minneapolis. The first edition Trash Bags are still in use, they can be found on the backs of messengers riding through downtown Minneapolis, being put through the day-to-day abuse that only courier work can provide. I still work as a messenger and can assure you that Trash Bags can take whatever Minnesota weather can dish out.

In a lot of ways, you can boil down my approach to Trash Bags to a couple of things: I come from a family of craftsmen, so I grew up around people who value detail and artistic integrity. I've been a bike messenger for over nine years, a job that involves hard work, dedication and has a definite independent streak. Each Trash Bag is a representation of those qualities: I hand select all of the materials that go into the bags, and on every bag, every bit of work, from the first cut of the raw fabric to the final stitch is done by the same set of hands. I work hard to keep Trash's supplies domestic whenever possible and will never sacrifice the quality of goods for the bottom line. It's why I offer a lifetime guarantee for every stitch in your Trash Bag.

### **Each bag is unique, there will never be a factory pumping them out**

Trash will never be a huge company, but that's by design. I want to make you *your* bag, rather than a bag that *just* happens to be yours. There will never be a factory pumping them out by the thousands, each bag being made by hundreds of hands in some overseas location. Each bag is unique and each Trash logo is still hand stitched: part of the same whole, but still unique. Trash Bags continues to grow, but never at the expense of quality. You can be sure that if you order from Trash, you'll be dealing directly with the people who will make your bag—we're happy to answer your questions and help you get exactly the bag you want—details are important.

If you see me on the streets, stop and say hello. You can find me in the Trash workshop Mon–Thurs (and sometimes weekends too) or out messengering on the street of downtown Minneapolis on Fridays.

Cheers,  
Andy Larson  
**Trash Bags**

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Nick Gibbons

Landfill



The fourth Trash Bag ever made. Still in daily messenger use.



Tim 'Sticks' Roach

Dumpster



I have been using this bag messengering for years. One time I wore it during the Zombie Pub Crawl. This bag has been covered in fake blood and booze ever since.



Ashley Peterson

Dumpster



My bag hauls a huge drawing pad and T-square to school. It's always comfortable and everything stays dry.



Ayo Odumuye-Collins



Landfill



I've had two full bread boxes of sandwiches in my bag at once—that's over 50 sandwiches. Lettuce, tomato, mayo—waterproof!

Ashley Prichard

Wastebasket



In my Wastebasket today is: a flask of whiskey, dog poop bags, sunscreen, a razor, a neon bouncy ball, wallet, phone, business cards, spare change, band-aids, a condom, deodorant, and sunglasses. Wow, that is a lot.



Chris Graham

Garbage Barge



In 2011, I won this bag at Stupor Bowl XIV, and have used it for work ever since. It's also my one stop travel bag. Fits in the carry-on, BOOM!



Holly VerHage

Dumpster



This bag is my response to all the aggressive drivers out there  
-Settle Down!



Beth Franklin



Garbage Truck



When I was working on my master's it was my lifesaver—what with all those tax treatises weighing me down... It's my overnight bag, my carry-on, beer-cooler, pillow, my commuter bag... It's everything.

Katie Grillaert

Trash Can



Andy Larson

Garbage Incinerator



This is the very first Garbage Incinerator. Just like every bag model, I test it first messengering before I sell it.



Sarah Engen

My Space Junk makes it possible for me to travel all over with my bike and a bag. All I have to do is take off the wheels, fork, seat, crank, bars and I am ready to fly.



Space Junk

We were racing Riverwest24 in MKE, and about 13 hours in, we broke our bike frame. For us to continue, the bike still had to make every checkpoint with us, so we strapped it on to a Garbage Truck and kept on doing laps. We probably did close to 100 miles with the bike on our backs, and we still got 2nd place in our category.



## INFORMATION

### MESSENGER BAGS

Trash Can: W: 14" H: 12" D: 8" \$140  
Dumpster: W: 16" H: 14" D: 9" \$160  
Landfill: W: 22" H: 18" D: 10" \$180

#### Messenger Bag Standard:

Waterproof Construction  
Trash Strap Pads  
Swing Stabilizer Strap  
Blinky Light Loop  
Ballistic Nylon Base  
3-D Outer Pocket  
Double Inner Slip Pocket  
Strap Keeper Buckles

#### Custom Options:

Secondary Color \$10  
X-Strap \$15  
Stash Pocket \$10  
Double Front Pocket \$15  
Double Side Pockets \$10  
Sewn in Back Pad \$20  
Change Pocket \$5  
Phone Holster \$15  
Matching Tool Pouch \$15  
Base Compression \$10

The Trash messenger bag. A classic in form and function. Constructed into a design that meet the standards of any cyclist. They're comfortable, loaded with great features and fully waterproof. Three sizes are available for file-box toting madness or more reasonable loads to school or work. Handmade in Minneapolis using only the best materials.

### COURIER ROLL TOP

Garbage Truck: W: 12" H: 20" D: 10" \$215  
Garbage Barge: W: 14" H: 22" D: 12" \$245  
Garbage Vortex: W: 16" H: 22" D: 14" \$275

#### Roll Top Standards:

Waterproof Construction  
Trash Strap Pads  
Sewn in Back Pad  
Blinky Light Loop  
Ballistic Nylon Base  
3-D Outer Pocket w/ Slip  
Side Compression Straps  
Sternum Strap  
Base Compression  
Double Side Pockets

#### Custom Options:

Secondary Color \$10  
Stash Pocket \$10  
Double 3d Pocket \$15  
Change Pocket \$5  
Phone Holster \$15  
Matching Tool Pouch \$15  
Cargo Straps \$10

Trash's Courier Packs are designed to be great courier work bags, with large, box-swallowing inner compartments, organizable outer pockets, and padded, comfortable straps and bag back. A great courier work bag is more than just for messengers, though-- to us, if the bag is designed for comfort under heavy loads for an 8 hour shift, it'll do the trick even better for a shorter commute where you need to haul your personal office around.

### FLAP TOP

Burner: W: 12" H: 20" D: 10" \$240  
Incinerator: W: 14" H: 22" D: 12" \$260

#### Flap Top Standard:

3-D Outer Pocket w Divider  
Sewn In Back Pad  
Waterproof Construction  
Side & Bottom Compression Straps  
Extender Cargo Compartment Flaps  
Swing Side Pocket w Velcro  
Pen Pocket  
Side Slip Pocket  
Sternum Strap  
Blinky Light Loop  
Ballistic Nylon Base  
Base Compression  
Double Inner Slip Pocket

#### Custom Options:

Secondary Color \$10  
Stash Pocket \$10  
Double Front Pocket \$15  
Double Side Pockets \$10  
Change Pocket \$5  
Phone Holster \$15  
Matching Tool Pouch \$15

### CUSTOM ART

All Trash Bag models and sizes can be customized with applique art of your choosing. Custom art varies in cost simply by how detailed your idea is. Want a quote? Send Trash an email and we can discuss options and ideas to design something that works both for your idea and budget.

### ACCESSORIES

Wastebasket: \$50  
Wastebasket II: \$60  
Compactor: \$20  
Holster: \$15  
Smart Holster \$20  
Space Junk: \$225  
Waste Bin: \$35

#### Wastebasket Features:

Waterproof Construction  
Holds Two 12oz Beverages  
Exterior Pocket  
Belt with Buckle  
U-Lock Holster

#### Wastebasket II Features:

Waterproof Construction  
Holds Three 12oz Beverages  
Exterior Pocket  
Exterior Flap Buckle  
Belt with Buckle  
U-Lock Holster

#### Compactor Features

Waterproof Construction  
Holds all of your tools in one compartment  
Yes, it will fit your hand pump too!

#### Holster Features

original Holster for smaller phones  
Smart Holster for all Smart Phones  
Attaches to any 2" strap  
Adjustable to firmly fit any phone

#### Space Junk Features

Fits most disassembled bikes  
Fold-down Coroplast inner box  
Cordura Outer  
Synch Straps  
Padded Backpack Straps for transit  
Adjustable Sternum Strap  
No more sketchy cardboard boxes  
Peace of mind when travelling

#### Waste Bin Features

Fits on your everyday belt  
Waterproof inner compartment  
Easy fit U-Lock Holster between bag & belt loops.



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