

Garbage, Refuse and Recycling Regulations

Pursuant to the authority conferred by Section 414 of the Municipalities Act, Chapter M-24, SN 1999 and in accordance with the Waste Materials (Disposal) Act, 1973, the Town of Humber Arm South has made the following Garbage and Refuse Regulations.

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1. These Regulations may be cited as the Town of Humber Arm South Garbage and Refuse and Recycling Regulations.
2. Interpretations: In these Regulations unless the context otherwise requires;
 - (a) "Act" means the Municipalities Act, 1999.
 - (b) "Bulk Items" means heavy or bulky items such as stoves, refrigerators, dishwashers, clothes washers and dryers, furnaces, boilers, bed springs, furniture and similar items.
 - (c) "Construction Waste" means any used building materials, packaging or debris discarded during construction, demolition or after alternations or renovations.
 - (d) "Council" means the Town Council of the Town of Humber Arm South.
 - (e) "Garbage" means all kitchen and table waste of animal or vegetable origin resulting from the preparation of food.
 - (f) "Garbage, Refuse and Recycling Bins" means storage facilities for the purpose of storing garbage/recycling containers during periods between collection.
 - (g) "Garbage, Refuse and Recycling Container" means:
 - (1) ~~Clear or blue transparent polyethylene plastic bag~~ of 1 ½ mil (1.5 gauge) thickness fastened at the top and minimum size of 66 cm x 82.5 cm (26" x 32.5") and not weigh more that 22 kgs (50 pounds).
 - (2) A securely tied compact parcel of, cardboard not exceeding 1m x 0.6m x 0.6m in dimension and 22kgs (50 pounds) in weight.
 - (h) "Garden Waste" means the waste materials from garden consisting of grass clippings, leaves, dead branches, bushes, weeds, plants, stones and other small materials.
 - (i) "Home-based Medical Waste" means waste that is generated by residential premises for the purpose of home medical care.

- (j) "Medical Sharp" means a needle device or any non-needle sharp used for withdrawing body fluids, accessing an artery or vein, administering medications or other fluids, or any other device that can reasonably be expected to penetrate the skin or any other part of the body.
- (k) "Nuisance" means anything or any conditions of things which is or may become injurious or dangerous or presents an obstruction to pedestrians or vehicular traffic or anything or any condition of things, that in the opinion of Council has an unpleasant effect on the senses or adversely affects the amenities of the surrounding property.
- (l) "Pharmaceutical" means a compound manufactured for use as a medicinal drug to diagnose, cure, treat or prevent disease and included prescription drugs and over-the-counter drugs.
- (m) "Recyclables" means all waste that can be processed through the Material Recovery Facility (MRF) and as listed Western Regional Waste Management.
- (n) "Refuse" means all other miscellaneous waste materials not specifically defined as garbage or recyclables.
- (o) "Sanitary Inspector" means any person appointed as such by Council.
- (p) "Sharp Objects" means used or unused, edged, jagged, pointed item, device, or similar object, constructed of wood, metal, plastic, glass, or other compound, that could puncture or lacerate the skin.
- (q) "Town" means the Town of Humber Arm South.

3. **Days and Times of Collection**

- (1) Collection of garbage, refuse and recyclables shall be at least once every seven (7) days commencing at 8:00 a.m. except on some public or statutory holidays. On collection days that are the same as the public holidays garbage, refuse, and recyclables collection shall be collected as advertised on the Town website, face book and newsletter.
- (2) Collection of bulk items shall be by special collection only at such times and upon such terms and conditions as the Sanitary Inspector may determine having due regard to the availability of manpower and equipment and to the requirements of regularly scheduled collections.
- (3) All garbage, refuse and recyclables being placed for collection shall not be placed earlier than **10:00pm** on the evening before the day designated for collection in the area.

- (4) All materials refused for collection and/or containers must be removed from the streets by the householders before 8:00 pm, on the same day as the garbage, and recyclables were placed for collection.
- (5) All garbage and refuse placed for collection must be placed in a clear transparent bag. Two small non-transparent privacy bags for sensitive materials are permitted in each clear bag.
- (6) All recyclables placed for collection must be in a blue transparent bag. All items placed for recycling must be empty, rinsed or wiped clean.
- (7) Portable garbage, refuse and recycling bins are permitted provided garbage, refuse and recyclables are in proper containers.
- (8) Permanent rigid garbage, refuse and recycling bins are not permitted in front of the residential building line.
- (9) Material placed out for collection must be placed within 2 meters (6 feet) of the edge of asphalt.

4. Restrictions

- (1) Garbage, refuse, and recyclables shall not be put out for collection except on the day designated for collection in the area.
- (2) No person or persons shall permit any animal owned by him or her or under his or her control to pick over, interfere, disturb, remove or scatter any materials placed out for collection.
- (3) No person is permitted to pick over, interfere, disturb, remove or scatter any materials placed out for collection.
- (4) The resident is responsible for the protection of all garbage, refuse, and recyclables from the time it is placed at the curb until it is picked up by the town staff or contractor. All garbage, refuse and recyclables placed at the curb for pickup will have to be placed in suitable rigid garbage or recyclable containers or covered with appropriate materials such as netting, blankets, tarpaulins, etc. These covers must be highly visible and weighted so they remain in place. Covers must also be removed from the curb no later than 8:00 p.m. of collection day. Covering of garbage or recyclables will be mandatory for residents. The residents will also be responsible for any and all cleanup.
- (5) No household hazardous waste shall be deposited or placed in a polyethylene garbage or recyclable bag for collection.
- (6) No person, firm or corporation shall deposit, throw, sweep or place any garbage,

refuse or recyclables upon any street, land, drive, public place or private property outside buildings within the Town unless the same is enclosed in a proper container in such a manner as to in no way constitute a nuisance or annoyance to others.

- (7) No caustic substance such as bleach, etc. is to be used on garbage or recyclable containers.

5. **Storage and Disposal**

- (1) Every residential property owner or tenant, and every operator of a business establishment, shall at their own expense, make adequate arrangements for the storage of garbage, refuse and recyclables, in bins that are impervious to animals.
- (2) Every owner or operator of a business shall be responsible for the removal of garbage, refuse and recyclables from their premises on a weekly basis to an approved waste disposal facility.
- (3) No residential property owner or tenant, shall permit garbage, refuse or recyclables, which are to be placed at the curb for collection, to remain on the premises occupied by them, for a period of more than seven (7) days, unless a public or statutory holiday has occurred on the regular scheduled collection day. When such has occurred, the garbage, refuse and recyclables shall be prepared for the next scheduled collection day.
- (4) Construction waste, garbage, refuse, or recyclables left by any builder or contractor, or property owner upon any street, lane, drive, public or private property outside of a building or buildings within the Town as a result of the construction, demolition, alteration or repair of such building or buildings, shall be removed from the site by the builder, contractors or property owner, as promptly as possible and disposed of in accordance with the regulations.
- (5) No householder or owner of a residential property shall store garbage, refuse or recyclables in a bin or container other than as specified in these regulations and the bin or container must be located at the rear of the residential building between collection periods.
- (6) Burning, burying or disposal of construction waste from the result of any construction, demolition, alternation, or renovations is not permitted other than those approved in accordance with Western Waste Regional Management.
- (7) No residential property owner, tenant, business owner or operator, shall dispose of garbage, refuse, or recyclables, by burning, burying or other means, within the Town of Humber Arm South, except in accordance with these Regulations.

6. **Suitable Bins**

- (1) Bins which are used for storage between collection events shall be maintained in a good state of repair and in a sanitary condition.

7. **Disposal of paper**

All paper, newspaper, magazines, cardboard or cartons, shall;

- (a) be flattened out and securely tied with strong twine or rope in convenient bundles.
(b) weigh not more than 22 kgs. (50 lbs).

8. **Sharp Objects and Medical Waste**

(1) **Sharp Objects**

Sharp objects such as broken glass, fluorescent light bulbs, nails, screws, razor blades, knives, metal scraps, or wood splinters, and similar objects, may be set out for collection only if the sharp objects are placed in a cardboard box or wrapped in a cardboard box or wrapped in cardboard, and marked as such.

Sharp objects must be placed in a cardboard box, no larger than 2 feet in any direction or other rigid container, taped securely, and must indicate "SHARP OBJECTS" clearly written on the box. The sharp object must not penetrate the box/container in any way that may be harmful to the garbage collector or the public.

(2) **Medical Sharps and Similar Objects**

Medical sharps, such as hypodermic needles, or other similar sharp objects, must be placed in a rigid puncture proof container prior to placing in the garbage. The rigid puncture proof containers (eg. detergent bottle) must be drained of any liquid and the lid of the container must be taped securely. The rigid puncture proof container must be placed in the regular clear garbage bag.

(3) **Home- Based Medical Waste**

Other biomedical wastes (e.g., bandages, gauze, and wipes to clean wounds, diapers, incontinence diapers and pads, disposable sheets, etc). Must be double bagged, in plastic bags, and securely closed, before placing in the regular clear garbage bag.

(4) **Pharmaceuticals**

All pharmaceuticals such as household medicines must not be disposed of in a garbage or flushed in the sanitary sewer. Flushing even small quantities of household medicines down the drain can disrupt or destroy the useful microorganisms in the sewage treatment system and/or contaminate downstream water resources.

All pharmaceuticals should be brought to a local pharmacy for proper disposal.

Any prescription containers should have all personal information, including your medical identification number and prescription number removed prior to disposing in the garbage.

9. **Place for Containers**

Garbage, refuse and recyclables containers and proper bundles shall be placed for collection in front of the premises at the curb or street line.

10. **Materials not Collected**

The Town shall **not collect** the following waste at **curbside**.

(1) **Household hazardous waste**

Household hazardous waste is accepted at the Western Regional Waste Management site at Wild Cove between 8:00 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. (Monday to Saturday)

(2) **Highly combustible materials** such as oil, gasoline, soaked rags, gas containers, ammunition, chemicals, acids or their residue derivative is accepted at the Western Regional Waste Management site at Wild Cove between 8:00 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. (Monday to Saturday)

(3) **Grass and leaves**

Grass and leaves are accepted at the Western Regional Waste Management site at Wild Cove between 8:00 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. (Monday to Saturday)

(4) **Garbage, refuse, or recyclables** which has been placed for collection in a manner contrary to these regulations.

(5) **Tree branches and roots**

Tree branches and roots can be dropped at the Western Regional Waste Management Site at Wild Cove between 8:00 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. (Monday to Saturday)

(6) **Sheet metal, iron, scrap steel, etc.**

Sheet metal, iron, scrap steel is accepted at the Western Regional

Waste Management Site at Wild Cove between 8:00 a.m. to 4:15 p.m.

- 7) **Carcass** of any animal or animal waste can be dropped off at the Western Regional Waste Management Site in Wild Cove between 8:00 a.m. to 4:15 p.m.
- (8) **Garbage, refuse, recyclables** left by any builder, contractor, or owner on any street, lane, public or private property can be dropped off at the Western Regional Waste Management Site in Wild Cove between 8:00 a.m. to 4:15 p.m.
- (9) **Ashes**
Ashes can be dropped off at the Western Regional Waste Management Site in Wild Cove between 8:00 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. (Monday to Saturday) Please ensure ashes are sufficiently cold.
- (10) **Paint**
Household paint products and containers, paint aerosols of all types, which includes automotive, craft, and industrial products are accepted at the Western Regional Waste Management Site in Wild Cove between 8:00 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. (Monday to Saturday)
- (11) **Used tires**
Highway passenger, light truck and motorcycle tires, commercial truck tires used on heavy truck, busses and large recreation vehicles are accepted at the Western Regional Waste Management Site in Wild Cove between 8:00 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. (Monday to Saturday)
- (12) **Electronic Waste**
Electronic waste including, display devices (such as televisions and monitors), desktop printers, computers and peripherals (such as keyboards), home theatre in a box system, non-cellular telephones as well as audio and video systems are accepted at the Western Regional Waste Management at Wild Cove between 8:00 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. (Monday to Saturday)

- (13) **Concrete, bricks, rocks and gravel**
Concrete, bricks, rocks and gravel can be dropped off at the Western Regional Waste Management Site at Wild Cove between 8:00 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. (Monday to Saturday)
- (14) **Construction Waste**
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11. Vehicles Carrying Garbage, Refuse and Recyclables

- (1) No person, firm or corporation shall transport garbage, refuse or recyclables of any kind on any street within the Town, unless such garbage, refuse or recyclables are transported in an enclosed truck or container or is otherwise secured so that it shall not fall from the vehicle or any means of transportation unto the street.
 - (2) All vehicles and containers used for the transportation of garbage, refuse, recyclables or swill, shall be kept in a sanitary condition at all times.
 - (3) All vehicles and containers used for the transportation of garbage, refuse, recyclables collection at all reasonable times to ensure compliance with these regulations.
12. (a) Notwithstanding anything contained in these regulations, the Sanitary Inspector may at any time, order the owner to clean up and remove any accumulation of garbage, refuse or recyclables outside any building or buildings or on any other private property within the Town.
- (b) If the owner neglects or refuses when ordered by the Sanitary Inspector to clean up and remove any accumulation of garbage, refuse or recyclables from his premises, the Sanitary Inspector may cause the clean up and removal of such accumulation at the expense of the owner.
13. The Sanitary Inspector shall make periodic inspections of properties within the town for the purpose of enforcing these regulations.
14. Pursuant to Section 420 of the Act, any person who is guilty of an offence against these Regulations or who acts in contravention of or fails to comply with any provision thereof, or neglects or refuse to do so, shall be liable on summary conviction;
- (a) for a first offence to a fine of not less than \$100.00 and not more than \$500 or to a term of imprisonment of not more than one month or both the fine and imprisonment.
 - (b) for a subsequent offence to a fine of not less than \$500 and not more than \$1000 or to a term of imprisonment of not more that 3 months or both the fine and imprisonment.
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