

SOLID WASTE COLLECTING OPERATING RULES AND REGULATIONS

Contractor: Bonners Ferry Garbage Co.

General Information

OFFICE HOURS/PROBLEMS/MISSES

The office of Bonners Ferry Garbage Co. is located 20 miles north of Bonners Ferry on Highway #1. To get in contact with them, call **267-3303**, between the hours of 9:00am and 5:00pm, Monday through Friday. There is an answering service when they are not in the office.

Mechanical breakdowns and bad weather can cause service delays. Allow sufficient time to get there before you call. If there are any problems, your container(s) were missed on regular collection day, or if you desire further information, please call so the problem can be solved.

COLLECTION DAY

Each customer will have his solid waste collected at least once each calendar week. Check schedule for individual day of service. Each can, bag or bundle shall be placed within three feet of roadside or adjacent alley for collection. Cans, bags and bundles shall be placed as close to the roadway as practical without interfering with or endangering the movement of vehicles or pedestrians. Waste should not be placed at roadside for pickup more than 24 hours prior to pickup to prevent garbage from being scattered. Containers should be removed from roadside within 24 hours after pickup. Your solid waste needs to be available by 6:00am in residential areas to insure pickup.

HOLIDAYS

New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas. Service will require adjustments in schedule, public notice will be provided.

ADVERSE WEATHER CONDITIONS

During the winter snow and ice can prevent easy removal of your solid waste. In order to keep service as efficient as possible, it is important that the customer keep his container accessible by daily removal of snow and ice. This is the customer's responsibility and not that of the collector. Container and garbage can lids should remain closed to prevent container contents from freezing together and keep the container in clean condition. If an alley precludes safe passage of a collection vehicle due to accumulation of snow, ice or mud, collection service shall be done from the curb line of the street until such time the service can be resumed from the alley. The collector will notify KBFI radio station and the City Hall when such conditions exist.

RECYCLING TO SAVE SPACE AND MONEY

Recycling can save our environment as well as save money. The customer can take recyclables to their local recycling center.

CARRY OUT SERVICE

Any residential pickup other than cans placed at street edge or alleyway would be considered a carry out service. This service is provided for customers desiring this type of service, at an additional cost. Tied garbage bags in cans would be preferred to eliminate return of garbage cans to residence. Please call if you wish this special service.

CONTAINER TYPES (Only these will be accepted)

Bags: Disposable heavy duty plastic bags are acceptable as long as the bag and its contents do not exceed 35 lbs. and are contained within garbage cans. Bags may be placed without being contained in garbage cans if they contain only leaves, grass cuttings, weeds and hedge trimmings.

Manual Containers (Garbage Cans): At least one but not more than three regulation or standard garbage cans with a capacity greater than 20 gals, but not more than 36 gals. And tapered so that they are larger at the top than at the bottom is required for each customer. Cans must be made of metal or plastic, have a tight fitting lid which completely covers the top of the container, must not exceed 60 lbs. gross loaded weight and must have handles of adequate strength for lifting. Lids may not be tied, wired or in anyway fixed in a way which hinders quick removal (rubber straps are acceptable).

Mechanical Containers: Special containers designed to hold large amount of loose solid waste. Upon request the collector will furnish and maintain mechanical containers for apartments, commercial, businesses, industrial and special residential pickups at additional cost. Customers desiring this service must obtain mechanical containers from the collector. These containers must not be painted, repaired or altered in any way without permission from the collector.

ILLEGAL USE OF CONTAINERS

Unauthorized use of the customer's container by others is prohibited by law. Anyone using a container without permission is in violation of Idaho Code 18-2403, THEFT OF SERVICE, and is punishable by a maximum \$300 fine and six month jail sentence. In order to prosecute, the Idaho Code wording must be posted on your container.

SOLID WASTE ON GROUND

Space about the containers will be left free from any solid waste spilled during collection. The collector is NOT responsible for cleaning up conditions around containers caused by carelessness of occupant or animals.

DEAD ANIMALS

Dead animals placed for collection must weigh less than 10 lbs. and must be placed in a securely tied plastic bag, then in a container with a tight fitting lid.

DOGS

For the safety of our collectors, aggressive dogs must be controlled. It is the customer's responsibility to contain their pets.

SPECIAL HAULS

Bulky and heavy waste items such as stoves, refrigerators, water tanks, washing machines, etc. or any items weighing over 60 lbs or 4 feet in length, may not be placed for collection as household waste, but such may be brought to the landfill or special haul services can be requested by contacting Bonners Ferry Garbage Co. office to remove these items. 24 hours prior notice is required. **IT IS ILLEGAL TO PUT ANY SUCH ITEMS IN A 1-10 YARD MECHANICAL CONTAINER.**

COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL SOLID WASTE

Containers with solid waste shall be placed at curbside or alley or as close as practical for collection. Containers for commercial and industrial uses may be either manual or mechanical, but such containers may not be filled in any manner, which exceeds safe loading weights and volumes. Bulky waste, heavy waste, hazardous waste or infectious waste must not be placed in these containers unless written permission has been obtained. All containers should be placed on hard flat surfaces. Locations for mechanical containers must be approved to insure efficient and safe removal of your solid waste. Access to containers must be cleared of all trees, brush, and vehicles. It is also the customer's responsibility to keep snow removed from the container site.

WET SOLID WASTES

All solid waste shall be drained of excess water and all wet household solid waste and animal waste shall be separately wrapped in tightly secured plastic bags before being placed in a container.

ASHES

Ashes placed for collection shall be cold and free from any fire. Ashes must be placed in tightly secured plastic bags and placed in a separate metal container away from any flammable materials.

HAZARDOUS WASTE AND RAW SEWAGE

Hazardous materials, substances and waste and raw sewage are not acceptable at the landfill or by the collectors. Call Bonners Ferry Garbage Co. office for references about this matter.

INFECTIOUS WASTE

Collectors shall handle infectious and special waste consistent with all applicable Federal, State of Idaho and City regulations. Call Bonners Ferry Garbage Co. office for references about this matter.