

TOWN OF LABRADOR CITY
RESIDENTIAL WASTE MANAGEMENT BYLAW

1. AUTHORITY

Whereas the Town Council of Labrador City may pass bylaws for municipal purposes respecting public utilities:

And Whereas the Town Council of Labrador City has established a system for the collection, removal and disposal of residential solid waste.

NOW THEREFORE, THE TOWN COUNCIL OF LABRADOR CITY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

2. TITLE: “Town of Labrador City Residential Waste Management Bylaw”

3. INTERPRETATION

In this bylaw unless the context otherwise requires:

“ASHES” means cold residue from the burning of wood, coal and other like material for the purpose of cooking, heating buildings and disposition of waste combustible materials.

“AUTOMATED COLLECTION” means the collection of waste by a system of mechanical lifting and tipping containers into specially designed vehicles.

“BIOMEDICAL WASTE” means medical waste that requires proper handling and disposal because of environment, aesthetic, and health & safety concerns as well as risks to human health and includes :

- (i) human anatomical waste;
- (ii) infectious human waste;
- (iii) infectious animal waste;
- (iv) microbiological waste;
- (v) blood and body fluid waste; and
- (vi) medical sharps, such as needles, syringes, blades, or other clinical or laboratory materials capable of causing punctures or cuts.

“BUILDING WASTE” means all waste produced in the process of constructing, demolishing, altering or repairing a building and shall include, but not be limited to soil, vegetation and rock displaced during the process of building.

“COLLECTOR” means a person or business/corporation who collects waste within the municipality and on behalf of the municipality.

“COUNCIL” means the Town Council of Labrador City.

“CUBIC METER” for the purposes of collection shall be one cubic meter of volume of waste.

“GARBAGE” means waste bi-products produced from household and commercial process and can be composed of organic and inorganic material.

“HAZARDOUS WASTE” means any substance or thing that falls within the definition of hazardous waste by the MULTI MATERIALS STEWARDSHIP BOARD of the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador.

“MANUAL COLLECTION” means collecting waste by manually tipping cans or lifting bags into a waste collection vehicle.

“MUNICIPALITY” means the Town of Labrador City and the area contained within the boundaries thereof.

“OCCUPANT” shall mean a person or business/corporation in actual possession of any premises either as owner or tenant.

“PLASTIC GARBAGE BAG” means a sturdy plastic bag specifically marketed to store waste, and excludes bags that are intended for other purposes.

“PREMISES” means any land, building or part of a building supplied with utilities by the Municipality.

“SIDEWALK” means the concrete walkway located along the front of a property.

“STREET” means a public thoroughfare within the Municipality and includes the sidewalk and curb of the street.

“WASTE” means any discarded household debris, commercial debris, recyclables, or household hazardous wastes as herein defined.

“WASTE BIN” means any bulk waste container with capacity of 1m³ or greater requiring mechanized collection.

“WASTE COLLECTION CART” means a cart designed to place waste into and then be rolled to a collection point and emptied.

“WASTE RECEPTACLE” means a container designed or used for containing waste awaiting collection and disposal.

4. WASTE RECEPTACLES

- a. The occupant of any residential premises in the Municipality from which waste is to be collected shall provide and maintain in good condition a number of waste receptacles that are the exact model as deemed acceptable by the Council.
- b. The occupant of any residential premises in the Municipality from which waste is to be collected shall provide a sufficient number of approved receptacles to hold a minimum of one week’s accumulation of waste from the premises.
- c. A waste receptacle shall not be filled so as to be unable to close the lid.
- d. Except as otherwise provided, no person shall place waste from a building or premises elsewhere than in waste receptacles, which comply with the requirements of this bylaw.
- e. Any waste that is to be collected, whether it be in a waste receptacle, waste bin or waste collection cart:
 - (i) must be bagged to prevent loose waste from escaping, or;
 - (ii) where bagging is not possible must be prepared or packaged in a manner that will prevent loose material from escaping.
- f. The occupant of the premises shall ensure the plastic bags used:
 - (i) are made of a material capable of bearing the weight of its contents without tearing or breaking when lifted; and
 - (ii) are securely tied or fastened so that the contents are wholly enclosed by the bag; and
 - (iii) are no smaller than 60litres, no larger than 100 liters;
 - (iv) are placed in a waste receptacle.

5. WEIGHT OF WASTE

A collector shall not be required to remove any waste receptacle which together with its contents exceeds 45 kilograms (100 lbs) in weight.

6. LOCATION OF WASTE RECEPTACLES

- a. Except as otherwise provided herein, no person shall place or keep waste receptacles upon any portion of the street or lane.
- b. No person shall set out waste receptacles at location that are: unsafe, obstructed, blocked by snow, ice, poorly maintained, and uneven or that prevent waste collectors from collecting waste in a safe and efficient manner.
- c. The occupant of residential premises shall place waste receptacles for collection in such a way that collectors shall have access without the necessity of entering into private property.
- d. A collector shall not enter any building for the purposes of collection of waste.
- e. A collector shall collect waste from only one pick-up point from each premises.

7. HOUSEHOLD GARBAGE, WASTE AND ASHES

An occupant of premises from which waste is to be collected shall:

- a. Thoroughly drain all household garbage and place it in a plastic garbage bag before disposing of it in the waste receptacle.
- b. Quench all ashes for collection and put them in separate waste receptacles from other waste.
- c. Double bag all light, dusty, or objectionable material including cooled ashes, powders, sawdust, vacuum cleaner bags, furnace filters, animal feces and absorbents, and disposable diapers.
- d. Use protective packaging (sturdy sealed cardboard box or rigid disposable plastic container) for the disposal of sharp, dangerous items including broken glass, razor blades, sheet metal scraps, and items with exposed screws or nails.
- e. Ensure material unsuitable for bagging is to be bundled and securely tied.

8. TIMES WASTE TO BE COLLECTED

- a. Waste shall be collected from each residential premises once per week.
- b. Waste receptacles must be placed at collection points no later than 7:30 a.m.

- c. All waste receptacles must be removed from the street or lane within 12 hours of being emptied on the collection day and stored on the property when not in use.

9. TYPES OF WASTE NOT COLLECTED

The following waste material type are not to be placed for collection as part of residential waste:

- i. highly combustible or explosive materials including but not limited to liquid or solid fuels, gunpowder, ammunition or explosives,
- ii. hot ashes,
- iii. compressed propane or butane cylinders,
- iv. toxic or household hazardous waste including solvents, oven cleaners, paints, automotive fluids, wet cell batteries, pesticides, herbicides, or any material commonly referred to as household, commercial or industrial hazardous waste,
- v. biomedical waste including hypodermic needles or syringes, lancets or any sharp item used in home medical care,
- vi. large or bulky items such as mattresses, box springs, dresser, tables, chairs, major appliances, auto and truck parts, tires, tree limbs, whole shrubs or discarded heavy machinery,
- vii. electronic equipment including televisions, computers, computer monitors, keyboards, and associated cables,
- viii. renovation material, construction material, stumps, concrete blocks or slabs,
- ix. dead animals and animal parts from hunting or trapping.

10. CLEAN-UP CAMPAIGN

The municipality may authorize a clean-up campaign up to two (2) times per year. Items not considered Hazardous Waste, Construction Waste, or Automobiles may be collected at that time. The municipality will advertise dates of clean up week at least two (2) weeks in advance.

11. HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE SERVICES

The municipality may designate the place and time, including the days and hours of operation and the materials eligible for the collection of household hazardous waste in the municipality.

12. PLACING WASTE FROM NON-ELIGIBLE PREMISES

No person shall place waste from premises other than eligible premises or other waste that is not collectible waste on municipal property for collection or other reason without written permission from the Town Clerk.

13. MUNICIPALITY RIGHT

The municipality shall own and have the sole right to dispose of all waste collected from the premises in the municipality pursuant to the provisions of this bylaw.

14. COVERING OF WASTE AND GARBAGE

No person shall convey through any street in the municipality any waste except in the properly covered metal receptacle or in a vehicle which is covered with canvas or tarpaulin, or other covering so that the contents are protected from being wind borne or falling on the streets, and to protect the contents from flies and to minimize as much as practicable the escape of any offensive odors. It shall not be necessary that a vehicle carrying solely soil, sand, gravel, or concrete be covered with a canvas or tarpaulin.

15. PLACING OF WASTE ON STREET

Except for sand, cinder, or similar materials in reasonable quantities placed on any slippery streets or sidewalks no person shall place waste of any type or direct or allow it to be placed upon any portion of a street, lane, or public land.

16. ELIGIBLE PREMISES

Eligible premises include the following occupied dwellings, buildings and types of premises, when they have been granted an occupancy permit by the municipality:

- (i) single family dwellings including mobile homes;
- (iii) multi unit residential dwellings that constitute a unit in a duplex, row house or townhouse dwelling have street or road frontage;

- (iv) (iii) multi-unit apartment or condominium building to a maximum of six (6) units.

17. PROHIBITIONS

No person shall:

- (i) pick over, remove, disturb or otherwise interfere with any waste material that has been set out for municipal collection;
- (ii) collect waste material placed for municipal collection;
- (iii) export or remove solid waste material generated within the municipality outside the boundaries of the municipality without written permission by the Town Clerk.

18. BYLAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

The Town Manager, may from time to time, and upon such conditions as he/she deems appropriate, appoint the Municipal Enforcement Officer for the purpose of enforcement of this bylaw.

19. OFFENCES AND PENALTIES


Any person who is guilty of an offence against this Bylaw or who acts in contravention of, or fails to comply with any provision thereof, or neglects or refuses to do so, shall be liable on summary conviction


(i) for a first offence to a fine of not less than \$100 and not more than \$500 or to a term of imprisonment of not more than one month or to both the fine and imprisonment;

(ii) for a subsequent offence to a fine of not less than \$500 and not more than \$1,000 or to a term of imprisonment of not more than 3 months or to both the fine and imprisonment.

20. ADOPTION

This bylaw was passed and adopted by Council on the 11th day of March 2008, and will come into effect on the 1st day of September, 2008 and may be cited as the Town of Labrador City Residential Waste Management Bylaw.


Graham Letto, Mayor


Joyce Nichols, Town Manager