

SOLID WASTE

20 Attachment 1

Borough of Elizabethtown

MUNICIPALITY'S POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

(As amended by Ord. 2006-8, 10/19/2006; by Ord. 888, 9/20/2007, Art. 2; and by Ord. No. 987, 9/20/2018)

1. General requirements for placement and collection of regulated municipal waste and designated recyclable materials:
 - a. All persons who own or occupy residential units, multifamily units or nonresidential units shall comply with the following requirements:
 - (i) No regulated municipal waste or designated recyclable materials shall be placed at curbside for collection more than 24 hours in advance of the scheduled time for collection. Refuse containers must be removed from the curb no more than 24 hours after collection.
 - (ii) On-site collection from residential units shall occur on weekdays between the hours of 5:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., prevailing time. If a holiday falls on a collection day, that collection day will move to the Friday of that week. No collection shall be conducted on High Street and Market Street between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m., Monday through Friday.
 - (iii) Regulated municipal waste and designated recyclable materials from multifamily units and nonresidential units may be placed in bulk containers of suitable size, shape and material so as to prohibit the contents from being scattered by wind and rain and shall prohibit accessibility by rodents or other vermin.
 - b. All permitted collectors shall insure that collection of regulated municipal waste and designated recyclable materials shall comply with the following requirements:
 - (i) Regulated municipal waste and designated recyclable materials shall be collected on the same day from residential units, and collection shall be made a minimum of once a week.
 - (ii) On-site collection from residential units shall occur on weekdays between the hours of 5:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., prevailing time. If a holiday falls on a collection day, that collection day will move to the Friday of that week. No collection shall be conducted on High Street and Market Street between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m., Monday through Friday.

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- (iii) No regulated municipal waste or designated recyclable materials shall be blown, scattered or deposited upon the ground in the process of collection.
- (iv) Each permitted collector shall collect and deliver, separately to a LCSWMA Facility battery drop-off location, all battery bags placed at curbside by residential units.

2. Collection service fee schedule for municipal contract collection program:

Collection service fees and schedule shall be as follows:

- a. Annual collection service fee: as set forth in the Fee Schedule.¹
 - (i) Annual prepay rate: as set forth in the Fee Schedule.
- b. Each unit is permitted two thirty-two-gallon, thirty-pound limit, refuse containers per week. Each additional refuse container requires an extra-service tag. Units on the Borough's trash collection program may not use a sixty-four-gallon container.
- c. Extra-service tags: as set forth in the Fee Schedule.
- d. Oversized items.
 - (i) Each unit is permitted no more than one oversized refuse item to be collected each week. Oversized refuse items are to be placed curbside for collection at the same time as the regular trash and recyclables.
- e. Tires and white goods/appliances.
 - (i) Tires and white goods/appliances will be collected twice each year on dates established by the Municipality. Extra-service tags are required for tires and white goods/appliances.
- f. Leaf collection.
 - (i) Leaves will be collected on dates established by the municipality.
 - (ii) Leaves must be bagged in biodegradable kraft leaf bags, unless stated otherwise in the municipal contract or by the municipality.
 - (iii) Yard waste, such as garden residues, acorns, pinecones, and woody waste, such as sticks, are not permitted in the kraft bags, unless stated otherwise in the municipal contract or by the municipality.

¹ **Editor's Note: The specific fee amounts were moved to the Fee Schedule in the front of the Code so that the Borough could continue to maintain a separate Fee Schedule, with fees amended from time to time by resolution of the Borough Council.**

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- a. Yard and woody waste collection.
 - (i) Yard waste and woody waste will be collected on dates established by the municipality.
 - (ii) Yard and woody waste may be placed in a container of the resident's choice unless stated otherwise in the municipal contract or by the municipality. The weight of the container and its contents shall not exceed 30 pounds nor shall its capacity exceed 32 gallons. The container is to have a yard waste sticker adhered to it to identify it for collection. Stickers are available to residents at the Borough office during normal business hours.
 - (iii) Branches shall be placed in a container or tied with biodegradable string in bundles up to 20 inches in diameter and less than 4 feet in length and set at the curb. Bundles or containers shall weigh no more than 30 pounds.
 - (iv) Biodegradable kraft leaf bags are not to be used for yard and woody waste, unless stated otherwise in the municipal contract or by the municipality.
3. Backyard composting. Residential units may compost yard wastes that are generated at said residential unit according to the following guidelines:
 - a. Backyard composting must be done in strict compliance of accepted standards and guidelines the Penn State Cooperative Extension Service, PA Department of Environmental Protection, and/or the Lancaster County Solid Waste Management Authority (LCSWMA).
 - b. Composting must be done within an enclosed structure that controls access to animals and vectors.
 - c. Only yard wastes or other vegetative matter may be composted. No meat or putrescible waste may be composted.
 - d. Compost must be turned and mixed on a regular basis to prevent odors, attraction of vectors and to ensure degradation of materials being composted.
 - e. Backyard composters must be placed no less than one foot from any property line.
4. Recycling containers.
 - a. Each recycling container is to have a recycling symbol sticker adhered to it to identify it for collection. Stickers are available to residents at the Borough office during normal business hours.

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- b. Corrugated cardboard shall be placed in a container or tied with biodegradable string and bundled and set at the curb. Bundles or containers shall weigh no more than 30 pounds.