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SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT BYLAW NO. 1167/13

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TOWN OF BLACKFALDS
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BEING A BYLAW OF THE TOWN OF BLACKFALDS TO REGULATE THE HANDLING, COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF SOLID WASTE IN THE TOWN OF BLACKFALDS AND RESCIND BYLAW 1085/09

A Bylaw of the Town of Blackfalds, in the Province of Alberta, pursuant to the provisions of the Municipal Government Act being Chapter M-26.1 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000 and amendments thereto.

WHEREAS The Municipal Council of the Town of Blackfalds, in the Province of Alberta, deems it desirable to pass a Bylaw to establish and maintain a solid waste management system, and to operate this system as a public utility.

NOW THEREFORE, the Municipal Council of the Town of Blackfalds, duly assembled, enacts as follows:

PART 1 - TITLE

1 This By-Law may be cited as "**The Solid Waste Management Bylaw**."

PART 2 – DEFINITIONS

2 *(Amended, Bylaw 1356.26, 2026/05/12)*

(a) **Alley** – means a narrow road intended primarily for access to the rear of buildings and parcels of land; "lane" shall have the same meaning.

(b) **Animal Waste** – means feces of any animal.

(c) **Ashes** – means cold residue and cinders from any substance used for fuel.

(d) **Automatic Collection** - means the collection of Residential Waste by a system of mechanical lifting and tipping of carts into specially designed vehicles.

(e) **Base Rate** – means that rate established in Schedule "A".

(f) **Billing Period** – shall be the same as the billing period for which the consumer is charged for water and sewer services.

(g) **Biomedical Waste** - is as defined under the Waste Control Regulation.

(h) **Building Waste** – means all waste produced in the process of constructing, altering, repairing or demolishing a building and shall include, but not be limited to earth, vegetation and rocks displaced during the process of building.

(i) **Boulevard** - means that part of a highway in an urban area that:

(i) is not a roadway, and

(ii) is not that part of the sidewalk that is specially adapted for the ordinary use of pedestrians;

(j) **Collection Cart or Carts** – means a town owned automatic residential waste or recycling material cart provided and approved by the Town.

(k) **Chief Administrative Officer** – means that person appointed by Council or his/her designate.

(l) **Collection Point** - means a location where the waste and recyclable material collection carts and any "excess waste carts" are placed for collection.

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(m) **Collection Utility** - means the system of collecting and disposing of residential waste and/or recyclable material from dwelling houses within the Town.

(n) **Commercial Bin** - means any container for the storage of commercial waste or recyclable material.

(o) **Commercial Premises** – means:

I. a premises principally used for the conduct of a profession, business, or undertaking,

II. a premises zoned as "commercial" under the Town's Land Use Bylaw

III. any premises that are not a residential premises,

IV. and any other premises that may be designated as such by the Chief Administrative Officer.

(Amended, Bylaw 1356.26, 2026/05/12)

(p) *(Amended, Bylaw 1356.26, 2026/05/12)*

(q) *(Amended, Bylaw 1356.26, 2026/05/12)*

(r) **Commercial Waste and Recyclable Material** - means any waste, recyclables, and compost generated, produced or discarded at a Commercial Premises, which includes but is not limited to Animal Waste, Building Waste, Excess Waste, Garbage, and Non-Acceptable Waste (material).

(Amended, Bylaw 1356.26, 2026/05/12)

(s) **Collector** – shall mean an employee or agent of the Town of Blackfalds whose duty shall be to collect waste and specified refuse from dwellings and other specified premises.

(t) **Collection Points** – means the point where the occupancy places the waste receptacle in accordance with this Bylaw in order for the waste to be collected on collection day.

(u) **Collection Day** – means the day or days during each week on which waste is regularly collected from specific premises.

(v) **Condominium** – means a building divided into individually owned units as described in the Condominium Property Act, Revised Statutes of Alberta, 1980, and amendments thereto, and for the purpose of this bylaw only, each unit shall be deemed to be a single family dwelling.

(w) **Contaminated** - means that the recyclable materials have been compromised by the presence of food residue, blood, soil, or other prohibited materials, "soiled" shall have the same meaning.

(x) **Contractor** – means the person or company who is designated by the Town under contract for solid waste management service in the town pursuant to this bylaw.

(y) **Council** – means the Municipal Council of the Town of Blackfalds.

(z) **Director**- means Director of Infrastructure and Property Services.

(aa) **Disposal Site** – means a waste transfer station approved by Alberta Environment for the disposal of waste.

(bb) **Dwelling House** – means any building or place occupied or used as an abode or residence other than a condominium, multi-family dwelling or apartment house and shall include approved secondary suites and side by side condominium units having individual collection points.

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(cc) **Excess Waste Cart** - means an additional waste or recycling cart with rates established by the Town under Schedule "A" of this bylaw for the purchase and use for the collection of excess waste.

(dd) **Excess Waste** - means residential waste placed out for collection in excess of one garbage and one recycling collection cart.

(ee) **Established Route** – means a waste collection route established by the Director covering an area within which waste will be collected by the Town of Blackfalds/ or its contractor as frequently as is considered necessary by the Council. Established routes may change from time to time for the efficient operation of this service.

(ff) **Executive Officer of the Local Board of Health** – is a member designated by the Local Board of Health for the purpose of carrying out of the Public Health Act and regulations and may include a Medical Health Officer.

(gg) **Front Load Container** – means a container for waste which is designed to be emptied by a front loader collection vehicle.

(hh) **Garbage** – any materials or items that are to be discarded as waste, but does not include Residential recyclable Materials or other recyclables as designated by the Town's Chief Administrative Officer.

(Amended, Bylaw 1356.26, 2026/05/12)

(ii) **Hazardous Waste** – means a solid or liquid material that presents an unusual disposal problem or requires special handling including, but not limited to explosives, poisons, caustics, acids, drugs, radio-active materials and other like materials, or any substance identified under the Provincial Hazardous Chemicals Act and Hazardous Waste Regulation that could be harmful to people, plants, animals, or the environment.

(jj) *(Amended, Bylaw 1356.26, 2026/05/12)*

(kk) **Manufactured Home Park** – means a parcel comprehensively designed, developed, operated and maintained to provide sites and facilities for the placement and occupancy of manufactured homes on a long term basis.

(ll) **Multi-Family Dwelling** – means a residential building which is occupied or intended to be occupied by more than two families, living independently of the other.

(mm) **Occupant** – means a person or group of persons in actual or constructive possession of any premises either as registered owner or any other person in actual or constructive possession by agreement with the registered owner and holding the property under that person.

(nn) **Peace Officer** – means a member of the R.C.M.P., a Bylaw Enforcement Officer or Special Constable appointed pursuant to the provisions of the current Police Act.

(oo) **Person** – shall include a person, corporations or partnership.

(pp) **Premises** – means any parcel or parcels of land situated within the Municipal boundaries of the Town of Blackfalds for which there is an occupant as defined in this Bylaw.

(qq) **Residential Recyclable Materials** - means those materials determined by the Town from time to time to be acceptable for collection through the Town's Recycling Program.

(rr) **Residential Recycling Receptacle** – means a Collection Cart designed or used for containing recyclables awaiting collection and processing.

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(ss) **Residential Waste** – means all non-recyclable or compostable solid waste generated though ordinary day-to-day activities of the occupants of a dwelling house, and does not include construction, automotive repair or renovation materials.

(tt) **Residential Waste Receptacle** – means a Collection Cart designed or used for containing waste awaiting collection and disposal.

(uu) **Residential Yard Waste Materials** – means all forms of grass, trees, weeds, garden waste and hedge cuttings and clippings, but excluding sod and topsoil or materials designated by the Town from time to time to be acceptable for collection through the Town's Yard Waste Program.

(vv) **Residential Yard Waste Receptacle (Receptacle)** – means designed or used for containing compostable materials awaiting collection and disposal.

(ww) **Sharp Container** – means Local Board of Health approved devises that are puncture resistant, tamper and/or spill proof.

(xx) **Solid Waste Landfill Site (Landfill) –** means an area maintained by a municipality and/or a Contractor where all forms of waste will be disposed of.

(yy) **Street** – means a public thoroughfare within the Town of Blackfalds and includes the sidewalk, borders of the street and all parts appearing in the Land Titles Office as set aside for a public thoroughfare when used in destination or a land it means the public thoroughfare on which the premises in questions fronts.

(zz) **Town** – means the Town of Blackfalds.

(aaa) **Unacceptable Waste (material)** – means any material that may be deemed by the Director or his appointed designate to be not accepted for processing at the disposal site and/or landfill. A list of unacceptable materials will be listed on the Town's website and updated from time to time.

PART 3 APPLICATION

3 This Bylaw applies to all waste, recyclables and compost generated, produced, transported or collected within the Town, which necessarily includes, but is not limited to, all Animal Waste, Building Waste, Commercial Waste and Recyclable Material, Excess Waste, Garbage, Hazardous Waste, Non-Acceptable Waste (material), Residential Recyclable Materials, Residential Waste, and Residential Yard Waste Materials.

(Amended, Bylaw 1356.26, 2026/05/12)

4 Nothing in this Bylaw shall operate to relieve any person from complying with any Federal, Provincial or other Town Law, Order, Regulation or Bylaw and such person shall comply with all conditions or obtain any necessary consent at his or her own expense.

5 Except as provided in this Bylaw, no person shall;

(a) Store or deposit any waste, yard waste or recyclable material in or on any premises owned or occupied by the Town or on any street or boulevard; or

(b) Store or place any collection cart, receptacle or commercial bin on any street or boulevard.

6 Part 3 Section 5 shall not apply:

(a) In respect of any waste or recyclable material stored or deposited at any disposal site designated pursuant to this Bylaw;

(b) In respect of any collection cart or receptacle placed or stored on a

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street for use by the public by or with the consent in writing of the Director of Infrastructure and Property Services;

(c) To a person who is actively engaged in loading or unloading any collection cart, receptacle or commercial bin.

7 Any person who deposits any waste, yard waste or recyclable material on a street or boulevard contrary to this Bylaw shall forthwith remove such waste, yard waste or recyclable material from the street at his or her own expense.

8 No person shall scavenge waste, yard waste or recyclable material from a collection cart, receptacle or a commercial bin.

9 No person shall damage, tamper with or vandalize a collection cart, receptacle or commercial bin owned by or operated by the Town or a person.

PART 4 - COLLECTION

10 Subject to the provision of this Bylaw the Town of Blackfalds shall cause waste, recycling and yard waste to be collected from each dwelling house on a specified schedule outlined by the Director to the extent of this Bylaw and fee for service collected as a direct charge as per Schedule "A".

11. The No Person, other than the Town or its authorized contractor, shall provide for the collection, removal, transportation and disposal of all waste, recyclables, compost, materials, and other debris including those identified in this Bylaw, which include but may not be limited to Animal Waste, Building Waste, Commercial Waste and Recyclable Material, Excess Waste, Garbage, Non-Acceptable Waste (material), Residential Recyclable Materials, Residential Waste, and Residential Yard Waste Materials.

11.1 Notwithstanding section 11 of this Bylaw, a Person may apply to the Town to be exempted from section 11 of this Bylaw by making a written application to the Chief Administrative Officer.

11.2 The Chief Administrative Officer, in their sole discretion, may grant an exemption in accordance with section 11.1 if, in the opinion of the Chief Administrative Officer, the nature of the waste being disposed of warrants an exemption.

(Amended, Bylaw 1356.26, 2026/05/12)

12 Unless special arrangements are made with the Town or during Spring and Fall cleanup, the Town of Blackfalds shall not remove from premises on which dwellings are located discarded furniture, discarded white metals, automobile parts including tires, household equipment and renovation materials or any waste that may be deemed by the Director or his appointed designate to be unacceptable.

13 The contents of a cart or a receptacle which does not comply with this Bylaw shall not be collected, removed and disposed of by the Town of Blackfalds or its solid waste contractor, but shall be removed and disposed of by the owner or occupant of lands on which the same originates.

14 The Town of Blackfalds shall ensure that the equipment used for waste collection and the manner in which waste is collected and disposed of by the Town of Blackfalds or its contractor shall comply with provincial and federal regulations.

15 No collection will be made where there is harassment or interference by dogs or other animals running at large.

16 No persons, other than those appointed under the provisions of this bylaw shall interfere with or disturb the contents or collection cart or receptacle.

17 No person shall willfully or maliciously hinder or interrupt or cause or procure to hinder or interrupt the Town of Blackfalds or its contractors, agents' employees, in the exercise of powers and duties related to the collection utility and authorization contained in this bylaw.

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18 No person shall deposit materials a waste cart or receptacle or recycling container or a commercial container without the consent of the owner or occupant of the premises on which the cart or receptacle or container is located.

19 The Town of Blackfalds shall approve the equipment, location, carts and receptacles used for residential waste, yard waste and recycling. Furthermore, the Town determines the manner in which waste, yard waste and recyclables material is collected, disposed and processed.

20 The Town shall not collect residential waste, residential yard waste or residential recyclable material from:

(a) condominiums;

(b) apartment houses;

(c) un-serviceable property.

unless approved in writing by the Director.

21 An owner or occupant of a premises listed in Part 4 Section 20 shall:

(a) arrange for waste, yard waste and/or, recyclable material collection and disposal or processing, at the expense of the owner or occupant, by a private collection service that disposes of waste, yard waste and/or recycling at a disposal site; and

(b) ensure that waste, yard waste and, or, recyclable material is collected on a regular basis to prevent the development of noxious odors and the accumulation of waste, yard waste and recyclable material.

PART 5 - CONTRACTING AND DISPOSAL

22 The Town of Blackfalds at its sole discretion shall determine the necessity of a cart or container, the placement or location of the cart or container, the size and/or capacity of the cart or container and the number of containers required by the contractor for all properties.

23 The Town may provide the necessary equipment for the public collection and removal of waste, yard waste and recyclable material within the limits of the Town.

24 The Town may provide, supervise and operate the facilities and equipment necessary or desirable for disposal and processing of waste, yard waste and recyclable material collected by the Town.

25 The Town shall:

(a) Supervise the collection, removal, transportation and disposal of all waste, recyclables, compost, materials, and other debris including those identified in this Bylaw, which include but may not be limited to Animal Waste, Building Waste, Commercial Waste and Recyclable Material, Excess Waste, Garbage, Non-Acceptable Waste (material), Residential Recyclable Materials, Residential Waste, and Residential Yard Waste Materials

(b) Direct the date and times that collection of the aforesaid types of materials identified in section 25(a) and any other materials identified within this Bylaw shall be collected.

(c) Determine standards for the preparation, collection, and transport of the aforesaid types of materials, which shall include determining quantities for collection, and whether certain types of materials may be collected by the Town or its contractor.

(d) In its sole discretion, contract with a contractor to provide for the removal, collection and processing of the aforesaid types of materials identified in section 25(a) and any other materials identified within this Bylaw.

(Amended, Bylaw 1356.26, 2026/05/12)

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26 The Town may instruct collectors to refuse to collect residential waste and, or, recyclable material which has not been securely placed in a collection cart, if the collection cart lid is not fully closed, is improperly placed for collection, is overflowing with materials or if the collection cart has become overturned so as to allow spillage or scattering of the contents.

PART 6 - TOWN COLLECTION AND REMOVAL OF RESIDENTIAL WASTE, YARD WASTE AND RECYCLABLE MATERIAL

27 Subject to the provisions of this Bylaw, the Town:

(a) shall cause one unit of residential waste to be collected from each dwelling house once per week;

(b) shall cause units of residential yard waste to be collected from each dwelling house once per week;

(c) shall cause one unit of residential recyclable material to be collected from each dwelling once per week;

(d) shall approve the equipment used for residential waste, yard waste and recyclable material collection and the manner in which waste, yard waste and recyclable material is collected and disposed or processed;

(e) shall own all collection carts;

(f) may enter into a contract with a person for the collection of the whole or a portion of the residential waste, and or yard waste and, or, recyclable material accumulated within the Town limits;

(g) may decide the collection point from which waste and recyclable material will be collected from a dwelling house, either front or rear collection; and

(h) may carry out any inspections required to determine compliance with this Bylaw.

28 The Town may, at the time of collection or any other time, remove, repair or replace any obsolete, damaged or non-serviceable collection carts.

29 An owner or occupant of premises in districts designated as “residential” under the Town’s Land Use Bylaw, who is served by the Town’s collection utility shall pay for the collection, removal and disposal of residential waste, yard waste and recyclable material in accordance with the base rates, excess rates and other rates established from time to time by the Town.

PART 7 - EXCESS RESIDENTIAL WASTE AND/OR RECYCLING FOR COLLECTION

30 Excess waste will be collected provided the excess waste is contained:

(a) within an additional waste collection cart provided to a customer pursuant to a service change request and subject to payment of the applicable excess rate to a maximum of one (1) additional waste collection cart per week.

31 Excess residential recyclable material will be collected provided the residential recyclable material is contained:

(a) within an additional recycling collection cart provided to a customer pursuant to a service change request and subject to payment of the applicable excess rate to a maximum of one (1) additional recycling collection cart per week.

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32 The additional waste collection cart and additional recycling collection cart referred to in Part 7 Section 30 (a) and Part 7 Section 31 (a),

(a) may be requested through a standard utility application process as specified by the Director of Infrastructure and Property Services or his diligent.

(b) Subsidy assistance for an additional cart delivery may be applied for though the Town's social services programs where circumstances exist.

PART 8 - REQUIREMENT FOR PROVISION OF COLLECTION

33 No person shall set waste out for collection in the street or lane unless it meets the requirements set out as follows:

(a) an owner or occupant of a dwelling house must ensure that residential waste material:

(i) is bagged prior to deposit into the collection cart;

(ii) that consists of light, dusty or objectionable materials including cooled ashes, powders, sawdust, vacuum cleaner bags, furnace filters, animal feces and absorbents is double bagged.

(iii) does not include unacceptable waste materials as determined by the Director from time to time;

(iv) does not include objects such as glass, nails, knives, metal, or wood splinters unless properly contained in a puncture resistant receptacle before being placed in a waste collection cart.

(v) does not include ashes which are not properly quenched.

34 No person shall set recyclable material out for collection in the street or lane unless it meets the requirements set out as follows:

(a) reasonably clean; and;

(b) placed loosely into the collection cart without bagging or bundling with the exception of plastic bags and shredded paper which may be bagged.

35 No person shall set yard waste out for collection in the street or lane unless it meets the requirements set out as follows:

(a) Placed in a sturdy reusable open container no larger than 120 litres in size.

(b) Town of Blackfalds Yard Waste Only` Sticker affixed to the side of the container visible to the driver.

(c) Does not contain plastic bags.

(d) Placed in a non-returnable weather proof paper bag of adequate strength, tied or otherwise adequately closed so that the contents cannot escape and is sufficient to hold the material.

(e) Clippings from shrubs and trees commonly called brush shall be completely and securely tied with twine in bundles not exceeding 1 meter (3 feet) in length.

(f) Material and receptacle shall not exceed 22.7 kg (50 lbs.)

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36 Adequate provision must be made on the premises for the safe storage of carts and receptacles.

37 If any dispute arises between the owner and occupier of the premises concerned and the Town of Blackfalds, the decision of the Town of Blackfalds shall be final.

PART 9 - PROVISION OF WASTE AND RECYCLING COLLECTION CARTS

38 Residential waste and recyclable material collection carts will be provided by the Town at the expense of the customer for a fee determined by the Town from time to time and specified in Schedule 'A' if:

(a) for the replacement of lost, stolen or damaged collection carts; and;

(b) for the provision of an excess waste or recycling collection cart(s)

PART 10 - RESIDENTIAL WASTE AND RECYCLING COLLECTION CARTS

39 The owner or occupant of a dwelling house:

(a) shall utilize for waste and recyclable material collection only the Town provided residential waste and recycling collection carts required for automated collection;

(b) shall clean up any spillage originating from the waste or recyclable material collection carts assigned to their premises;

(c) shall not set out for collection any waste or recyclable material that is not generated by the occupants of his own dwelling house;

(d) shall not tamper or interfere with any waste or recyclable material set out for collection that is not generated by the occupants of his own dwelling house;

(e) shall ensure that the collection carts:

(i) are not filled in such a manner that the manufacturer's rated weight limit is exceeded;

(ii) are not filled higher than the upper rim of the cart or in a manner which prevents full closure of the cart lid;

(iii) do not have its contents compressed in such a manner that it inhibits the waste or recyclable material from falling freely from the collection cart during the regular tipping process;

(iv) do not contain any material which might adhere to the inside of the collection cart, such material to be separately wrapped prior to being placed in the collection cart;

(v) are maintained in good repair and in a reasonably clean and sanitary condition;

(f) shall ensure that the collection carts are:

(i) stored on the premises from which the collection cart is assigned and shall not encroach upon or project over any street, lane or public place except when placed on such street or lane for the purpose of collection under this Bylaw; and

(ii) stored with the lid closed in order to reduce odors and prevent litter;

(g) shall ensure that collection carts are set out for collection:

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(i) no later than 7:00 am on the day of collection; and

(ii) no earlier than 7:00 pm on the day before collection

(h) shall ensure that all collection carts assigned to the dwelling house are returned to their storage area no later than 10:00 pm on the day of collection;

40 A collector shall not be required to remove or empty:

(a) a collection cart which together with its contents exceeds the manufacture's rated weight limit;

(b) a collection cart containing unacceptable materials;

(c) a collection cart filled higher than the cart's upper rim causing the cart lid to not fully close.

PART 11 - PLACEMENT OF RESIDENTIAL WASTE AND RECYCLING FOR COLLECTION

41 All collection carts set out for collection shall conform to the following standards:

(a) be placed in such a manner that automated collection may occur without collectors being required to manually move the collection carts in order to allow pick up;

(b) be placed in a manner that the front of the collection cart is facing the street or alley/lane;

(c) where any dwelling house is served by an alley/lane, all collection carts from such premises shall be placed adjacent to the alley and, or, lane with clearances of at least 0.3 metres to the rear, 0.3 metres between the carts and 1 metre from any obstacles such as cars or utility boxes;

(d) in cases where no alley or lane exists, all collection carts from such a dwelling house shall be placed for collection along the roadway, at the edge of the curb, with clearances of at least 0.3 metres to the rear, 0.3 metres between the carts and 1 metre clearance from any obstacles such as cars or utility boxes;

(e) collection carts must not be placed on the sidewalk or in such locations as to interfere in any way with vehicle or pedestrian traffic;

(f) collection carts must be placed on a level surface not more than 150 mm above the road elevation;

(g) collection carts must be placed for collection in a way that they cannot easily be tipped over;

42 Waste and recycling collection carts from units in a residential condominium shall be placed in a centralized location for collection at, or near a traveled portion of the access road on the common property or elsewhere with the written approval of the Director.

43 The owner or occupant of a dwelling house from which waste and recyclable material is to be collected shall not cause or permit the alley/lane in the rear of the dwelling house to the centre of the alley/lane thereof, and including the waste and recycling storage location on the common property, to be maintained in an untidy or disorderly condition.

44 No collector shall be required to make a collection of waste or recyclable material if the waste or recycling collection cart is not placed according to the standards specified in this Bylaw including but not limited Part 11 Section 41.

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45 No collector shall be required to make a collection of waste or recyclable material from inside any building or be required to pass through a building in order to collect waste or recyclable material except as approved by the Director.

PART 12 - COLLECTION INTERFERENCE

46 No person shall willfully hinder or interrupt or cause or procure another to hinder or interrupt, the Town or its contractors, servants, agents, or employees, in the exercise of powers and duties under this Bylaw.

47 No person shall deposit waste or recyclable material in a collection cart without the consent of the owner or occupant of the premises on which the collection cart is located.

48 Unless special arrangements for collection are made with the Town, the Town shall not be obliged to collect waste or recyclable material from any building or premises the owners of which are exempt from general taxation.

PART 13 - ACCUMULATION AND DISPOSAL

49 Except for refuse which is placed in receptacles required and in a manner complying with the provisions of the Bylaw and in a location designated or allowed by this Bylaw, no person who is the owner, occupant, or person in charge or responsible for any land or building in the Town shall allow waste of any kind to accumulate:

(a) outside of a building or inside of a portion of the building to which the public or part of the public has access, or

(b) on any land or other premises whether or not there is a building or other structure erected thereon.

50 Notwithstanding anything in Part 13 Section 49 or elsewhere in this By-Law contained, no person shall dispose of waste or allow waste to accumulate anywhere in any manner which contravenes a provision of The Public Health Act, the regulations made there under or of a bylaw of the Town relating to health, sanitation or nuisances.

51 No person who has waste of any description requiring disposal shall dispose of it elsewhere than at a disposal site of a type appropriate for the type of waste.

52 A person who has disposed of waste on any land contrary to the provision of Part 13 shall remove, at his expense, the same upon being required to do so by the owner, occupant or person in charge of the land, by the Town, the Executive Officer of the Local Board of Health, or Peace Officer, but such removal shall not prevent him from being prosecuted for a contravention of Part 13

53 If the person who has placed waste on land contrary to the provision of Part 13 cannot be ascertained or neglects or refuses to remove the waste there from the owner, occupant or person in charge of the land shall remove the waste or cause the waste to be removed, at his expense, from the land upon being directed to do so by the Chief Administrative Officer or his designate, the Executive Officer of the Local Board of Health, or a Peace Officer.

PART 14 - RATES & PAYMENT

54 Every person, firm or corporation being a registered owner, or purchaser entitled to possession under an agreement for sale of property which is served by collection services of the Town of Blackfalds shall pay monthly utility charges for the collection, removal and disposal of refuse in accordance with the rates established in Schedule “A”. Tenants must have the owner of the property sign for the utility bill.

55 The Town of Blackfalds shall determine the amount of refuse removed from a premises and its determination shall form the basis for the charges for excess collections.

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56 All accounts rendered under this bylaw shall become due and payable in the same manner as the Water and Sewer Utility bill with the solid waste service charge being included as a separate item on the utility bill and the fee shall form part of and be payable to the Town of Blackfalds as the same time as the utility bill.

57 Where the owner of a property is the recipient of the waste collection service and where a utility account and other charges under this bylaw remain unpaid for a period of 90 days the Town Council may choose to transfer the outstanding account to the tax roll account of the property.

58 Non-receipt of a utility bill will not exempt the owner from payment for the service received.

59 The rates or charges levied under this bylaw will be applied to all properties within the Town, with no option for use of the service.

60 Any owner paying rates or fees for collection shall be and remain liable for and pay all rates or fees until they have given notice in writing to the Town of Blackfalds of their intended date of vacating the property. They shall not be liable for rates or changes levied thereafter provided they have vacated the property.

61 Where the waste collection service has been discontinued because of default of payment, the waste collection service shall not be reinstated until payments of all utility amounts outstanding have been recovered by the Town of Blackfalds.

PART 15 - WASTE MISCELLANEOUS

62 No person shall burn waste material within the Town of Blackfalds unless given written permission from the Fire Chief.

63 No person shall put disposable or other types of hypodermic needles in any waste placed for collection by the Town of Blackfalds or a private disposal service, unless property contained in an approved sharps container.

64 No person shall put luminescent gas filled electric discharge tubes in any waste placed for collection by the Town or by a private disposal service unless such tube has first; been completely crushed and encased in material so that no portion of the tube may puncture the material in which the remains of the tube have been encased, or have been encased without breaking in an adequate container of sufficient size and strength so that the tube cannot be broken when the same is picked up by the Town of Blackfalds or private disposal service.

65 Unless and until it has been first encased, as required by Part 15 Section 64, no person shall place a luminescent gas-filled electric discharge tube in a plastic disposal bag.

66 Unless the tube has been crushed and covered as provided in Part 15 Section 64 no person shall place a luminescent gas-filled electric discharge tube of over four feet in length for collection by the Town of Blackfalds or by a private disposal service.

67 No person shall place any of the following items in any waste collection cart for collection by the Town or its Contractor:

(a) any recycling materials or yard waste materials;

(b) any hazardous waste materials;

(c) any waste materials that are not defined as household waste.

68 No person shall place any of the following items in any residential recycling collection cart for collection by the Town or its Contractor:

(a) any waste;

(b) any materials that are not recyclable materials;

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(c) any recyclable materials that are not reasonably clean.

PART 16 - HAZARDOUS WASTE

69 A collector shall not collect hazardous waste.

70 No person shall place or mix with any refuse placed for collection by the Town of Blackfalds or delivery to the disposal site any dangerous goods, hazardous waste or biological waste.

71 Any person, firm, partnership, corporation or like enterprise breaching any part of the hazardous waste section shall be responsible for all costs incurred in eliminating any pollution or contamination of the disposal site or any other site in the Town of Blackfalds on demand, such restitution will not exempt the person or organization from prosecution for contravention of this bylaw.

72 The owner or person responsible for the existence or accumulation of hazardous waste or an agent of the owner or responsible person shall cause the hazardous waste to be transported to a disposal site and disposed of as prescribed by the Executive Officer of the Local Board of Health and in a special disposal area designated by the Province of Alberta.

73 When hazardous waste is to be disposed of under this Section consisting of poison, drugs, radio-active materials, or like substances, they shall be disposed of under the supervision of the Executive Officer of the Local Board of Health or a duly authorized agent of the Province of Alberta.

PART 17 - EXPENSE AND PROSECUTION

74 If the owner of a property refuses to comply with any provision of this By-Law, the Town may undertake the same at the expense of the owner of the property.

75 When the Town is required to take action under any part of this bylaw and the owner or occupant defaults on the required payment, then the Town may recover the charges for which the owner is liable by any lawful means available with the cost of such action to be charged against the owner or occupant.

76 Wherever in the bylaw it is directed that an owner of any building or premises shall do any matter, then in default of its being done either the owner, or if there are several owners, any or all of such owners shall be liable to prosecution; and it shall be no defense for any owner so prosecuted to allege that any other person is responsible for such default.

PART 18 - PENALTIES

77 Any person who contravenes any provision of this bylaw is guilty of an offense and is liable under the Provincial Offences Procedure Act to a fine of not exceeding $1,000.00 exclusive of costs.

78 Notwithstanding the provisions Part 18 Section 77 hereof, any person convicted for a second offence for the same provision of the By-Law shall be liable to no less than $200.00 and no more than $1,000.00 exclusive of costs.

79 Notwithstanding the provision of Part 18 Section 77 and Part 18 Section 78 hereof, any person convicted for a third offence and subsequent offences or the same provision of the bylaw shall be liable to a fine not less than $300.00 and no more than $1,000.00 exclusive of costs.

80 Where a Peace Officer has reasonable grounds to believe a person has contravened any of the Sections of this bylaw he may issue and serve upon such person any offence ticket.

81 Service of such offence ticket shall be sufficient if it is;

(a) personally serviced, or;

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(b) mailed to the address of the registered owner of the property or the person in charge of the property.

PART 19 - DELEGATION OF POWERS

82 The Council hereby delegates to the Chief Administrative Officer or his/her designate the power to:

(a) Establish regulations for the general maintenance or management or conduct, of any of them, of the collection system and of the officers and other employed in connection with the collection system where rates or charges under this bylaw are payable.

(b) Collect rates or fees established under this bylaw.

(c) Enforce payment of those rates or fees by all or any of the following methods namely;

(i) by discontinuing waste collection service
(ii) by action in any court of competent jurisdiction, or
(iii) by distress and sale of goods and chattels of the person owing the rates or charges wherever they may be found in the municipality or any other lawful means of collection available by placing fees on taxes of the property.

(c) Enforce the terms and conditions under which the collection utility is supplied either by enforcing this bylaw or by enforcing any agreement made between the Town as supplier and the consumer, including shutting off the public utility being supplied to the consumer, or disconnection of service thereof until the consumer complies with the terms and conditions of this bylaw.

83 The Chief Administrative Officer or his/her designate shall have the administration, control, care and management of the waste of the Town and of all the business carried on in respect thereof, and shall have the right to enter into contract for service by and on behalf of the Town, under and in accordance with the provisions of this bylaw, and shall be charged with the proper conduct of the said business and the enforcement of the bylaw.

84 If any term, clause, or condition of this bylaw of application thereof, to anything of circumstance shall to any extent be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this bylaw or application of such term, clause or condition to anything or circumstance other than those to which it is held is invalid or unenforceable, shall not be affected thereby and each other term, clause, or condition of this By-law shall be enforced to the fullest extent permitted.

PART 20 - DIRECTOR OF INFRASTRUCTURE AND PROPERTY SERVICES

85 Subject to the control by the Council, the Director of Infrastructure and Property Services or his designate shall:

(a) supervise the collection, removal and disposal of waste.

(b) direct the days and times that collection shall be made from different areas of the Town.

(c) decide as to the quantities and classes of waste to be removed from any premises or accepted by the Town for disposal.

(d) supervise and operate the facilities and equipment necessary or desirable for disposal of waste collected or disposed of by the Town.

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PART 21 - APPEALS

86 Notwithstanding any other provision of this By-Law or the rate schedules forming part hereof, any consumer who feels himself aggrieved in respect of rates charged to him under this By-Law on the ground that such rates are unfair, unreasonable or discriminatory may, by notice in writing delivered to the Chief Administrative Officer specifying the grounds of his complaint, appeal to Council.

PART 22 - RESCINDED

87 Bylaw No. 1085/09 are hereby rescinded.

PART 23 - DATE OF FORCE

88 This Bylaw shall come into full force and effective on third reading of this Bylaw.

READ for the first time this 25th of March A.D., 2014

(RES. 98/14)

-Original Signed-
MAYOR MELODIE STOL

-Original Signed-
CAO MYRON THOMPSON

READ for the second time this 22nd of April A.D., 2014

(RES. 123/14)

-Original Signed-
MAYOR MELODIE STOL

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CAO MYRON THOMPSON

READ for the third and final this 22nd of April A.D., 2014

(RES. 124/14)

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SCHEDULE "A"

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT RATES

(Rates Effective January 1, 2024)

1.0 Residential minimum waste rate: each customer shall pay a minimum rate per month of $30.91. The monthly minimum rate will apply to all residential properties. Should a resident request to discontinue the garbage service the resident will continue to be responsible to pay the monthly minimum rate.

2.0 Commercial Premises Rates: the Owner or Occupant of any Commercial Premises, shall be charged at a rate equal to the amount charged by the Contractor to the Town, plus an administrative fee of 20%. Further, the Owner or Occupant of any Commercial Premises, shall be charged its proportionate share of the total commercial tonnage fees charged by the Contractor, calculated based on the size and frequency of the collection of the waste.

(Amended, Bylaw 1356.26, 2026/05/12)

3.0 Commercial Premises Rates Exemption: Where a Commercial Premises only requires waste collection of small quantities of waste that is suitable for collection in a single standard Residential Waste Collection (as determined by the Director of Infrastructure and Planning Services, or such other person as the CAO may designate from time to time), the Owner or Occupant of that Commercial Premises, shall be charged an amount equal to the residential rate set out in Section 1.0, plus an additional fee of $13.00. In all other circumstances, the Owner or Occupant shall pay the amount prescribed in section 2.0.

(Amended, Bylaw 1356.26, 2026/05/12)

4.0 Cardboard Recycling bins shall be charged as per the rate prescribed by the Contractor plus an administrative charge of 20%.

5.0 Purchase of additional Collection carts if damaged (no additional carts will be provided above the single cart for recycling and the signal cart for garbage) - $80 for 2024 plus GST per cart.

6.0 Purchase and use of Excess Waste Carts rates: at the customer's request, for an additional monthly rate of 100% of the monthly rate, 1 additional waste cart can be supplied and picked up each week. Should a resident request to discontinue the Excess Waste Cart service, the resident will continue to be responsible to pay the Excess Waste Carts fee for a period of no less than 1 year.

7.0 Purchase and use of Excess Recycling Carts rates: at the customer's request, for an additional monthly rate of 50% of the monthly rate, 1 additional recycling cart can be supplied and picked up each week. Should a resident request to discontinue the Excess Recycling Cart service, the resident will continue to be responsible to pay the Excess Recycling Carts fee for a period of no less than 1 year.

(Amended, Bylaw 1298.24, 2024/01/23)

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SCHEDULE "B" PENALTIES

Part	Section	PARTICULARS	PENALTIES			
			1st	2nd	3rd	Max.**
4	12	Non-household waste, yard waste and recyclables	$100.00	$200.00	$300.00	$1000.00
8	33	Improper waste set out for collection	$100.00	$200.00	$300.00	$1000.00
8	34	Improper recyclable material set out for collection	$100.00	$200.00	$300.00	$1000.00
8	35	Improper yard waste material set out for collection	$100.00	$200.00	$300.00	$1000.00
10	39(a)	Failure to use appropriate containers	$100.00	$200.00	$300.00	$1000.00
10	39(b)	Failure to clean up spillage	$100.00	$200.00	$300.00	$1000.00
10	39(c)	Setting out material that is not generated by the occupant	$100.00	$200.00	$300.00	$1000.00
10	39(d)	Tamper with materials	$100.00	$200.00	$300.00	$1000.00
10	39(f)(h)	Failure to store carts on premise	$100.00	$200.00	$300.00	$1000.00
11	41	Improper Cart Location	$100.00	$200.00	$300.00	$1000.00
11	43	Improper Cart Location	$100.00	$200.00	$300.00	$1000.00
12	46	Collection Interference	$100.00	$200.00	$300.00	$1000.00
12	47	Deposit materials without consent of owner or occupant	$100.00	$200.00	$300.00	$1000.00
13	49(a)	Accumulation of inside/outside of building where public has access	$100.00	$200.00	$300.00	$1000.00
13	49(b)	On any land other premises whether is building or other structure	$100.00	$200.00	$300.00	$1000.00
15	62	No person shall burn waste within the Town	$100.00	$200.00	$300.00	$1000.00
15	63	No person shall place hypodermic needles in refuse in waste collected by the Town or private disposal services, unless in approved sharp containers	$100.00	$200.00	$300.00	$1000.00
15	64	No person shall place luminescent gas filled tubes in Town collected waste or private disposal service	$100.00	$200.00	$300.00	$1000.00
15	65	No person shall place luminescent gas filled tubes in a plastic disposal bag	$100.00	$200.00	$300.00	$1000.00
15	66	Setting out prohibited material out for waste collection	$100.00	$200.00	$300.00	$1000.00
15	67	Setting out prohibited material out for recycling collection	$100.00	$200.00	$300.00	$1000.00
16	70	No person shall place or mix with refuse any dangerous goods, hazardous waste or biological waste for collection or delivery to a disposal site	$100.00	$200.00	$300.00	$1000.00

(**) Fines amount is based on the severity of the offense combined with the number of occurrences. (ie. Disposal of hazardous waste may result in maximum fine on first occurrence.)

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