

TOWN OF FAIRFIELD, CT SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING REGULATIONS

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CHAPTER 1: DEFINITIONS: As used in the regulations of the Town Solid Waste and Recycling Commission, the following terms shall mean:

"Acceptable Solid Waste (ASW)" (also referred to as "Garbage and Rubbish") means unwanted or discarded materials of the kind collected or disposed of, or caused to be collected or disposed of, by or on behalf of the Town through private or municipal collection, and commercial, governmental and light industrial waste which the Town is required by State law to make provision for the safe and sanitary disposal of, but not including in any case, Oversized Bulky Waste (OBW), Bulky Waste (BW), Recyclable Materials, or Special Handling Waste (SHW).

"Aerosol Cans" means a sealed container, made from steel, which provides a delivery system, under pressure, for consumer products.

"Aseptic Cartons" means multi-layered packaging that contains shelf-stable food products.

"Ashes" means residue from the burning of combustible materials, placed in a paper bag.

"Automobile Tires" means automobile, truck or similar tires not exceeding thirty-six (36) inches in diameter.

"Backyard" means a convenient location on the Owner's premises, near the dwelling, easily accessible from the street, and not less than ten (10) feet from a sidewalk, street, or curb line.

"Bulky Waste" means construction material and demolition debris that is primarily noncombustible.

"Collection Facility" (also referred to as "drop-off center") means the Town operated Transfer Station facility located at One Rod Highway, Fairfield, Connecticut. The Collection Facility operates as a central collection point for the Town where ASW, Oversized Bulky Waste (OBW), Bulky Waste (BW) and Recyclable Materials are received and processed.

"Collector" (also referred to as "Hauler"), means the Person that has a Garbage & Rubbish Vehicle licensed by the Department to collect Recyclable Materials and/or Garbage and/or Rubbish from Residential Property and Non-Residential Property located within the Town.

"Commercial Registered Vehicle (CRV)" means a Motorized Vehicle that has one of the following State issued classes of license plate(s): commercial (02); combination (03); farm (04); commercial trailer (10); camp trailer (11); van pool (19); camper (31); temporary (34); dealerships (72); or any other class not listed under PRV. Neither a Garbage and Rubbish Vehicle nor a Recycling Vehicle is a CRV Motor Vehicle.

"Commingled Containers" means Recyclable Materials consisting of Paper, Cardboard, Glass, Metal, Plastic Containers that may be mixed together.

"Commission" means the Town Solid Waste & Recycling Commission.

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"Compost" means to employ the process of utilizing air, moisture, and microorganisms for the degradation of paper, food and yard waste.

"Compostable Bags" means cellulose-based, BPI-Certified bags for Food Waste/Scraps.

"Connecticut Coalition for Sustainable Materials Management (CCSMM)" means the coalition formed by the CT DEEP and CT municipalities to explore ways to reduce the amount of waste that is generated in CT, improve reuse, recycling, organics collection, support EPR legislation, and consider other innovative materials management solutions.

"Corrosive" means a chemical, or its vapors, that can cause deterioration or irreversible alteration in body tissues at the site of contact and deteriorate or wear away the surface of a material.

"Corrugated Cardboard" (also referred to as "OCC") means corrugated boxes and similar corrugated and other kraft paper materials such as grocery bags which have minimal contamination by food or other material, are not coated with wax or plastic, do not contain non-corrugated cardboard insulation, and are not of cereal box or like material.

"Curbside" means the area not on the traveled portion of the road and not more than ten feet from the traveled portion of the road.

"DEEP" means Connecticut Department of Energy & Environmental Protection.

"Department" means the Town **Solid Waste and Recycling Department**.

"Director" means the Director of the Town Solid Waste and Recycling Department.

"Director's Delegate" means the appropriate Town official assigned by the Director for a specified purpose.

"Disposal Charge" means the amount of money to be charged for each ton of Acceptable Solid Waste (ASW) delivered to the Resource Recovery Facility as established by the procedures authorized in the Municipal Service Agreement.

"Dumpster" means any Solid Waste container so constructed that it can be handled by the equipment used for collection of Solid Waste and/or transported by a Motorized Vehicle.

"Dwelling" means any building which is wholly or partly used or arranged or designed to be used for living or sleeping by human occupants.

"Dwelling Multiple" means any Dwelling containing more than two (2) Dwelling Units and/or Rooming Units.

"Dwelling Unit" means any room or group of rooms located within a dwelling and forming a single habitable unit with facilities which are used, arranged or designed to be occupied for living, sleeping, cooking, and eating.

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“Electronic Devices” means Cell Phones, Radios, Stereos, Computers, Televisions, and other similar devices, Fluorescent Light Bulbs or Lamps containing Mercury, Thermometers or Thermostats.

“Food Waste” or “Food Scraps” means leftover food, spoiled food, or food residuals, such as banana peels, rinds, eggshells, animal bones, etc.

“Glass Containers” means glass bottles or jars of any size or shape used to package food and beverage products suitable for human or animal consumption.

“Fire Extinguishers” means a CO₂ or water-based Fire Extinguisher, which is used for Residential use only, which can be dropped off at the Recycling Center by our Residents.

“Garbage” means Putrescible Acceptable Solid Waste (ASW), i.e. the animal and vegetable Solid Waste resulting from the handling, preparation, cooking, serving or non-consumption of food.

“Garbage & Rubbish Vehicle” means any self-dumping Motorized Vehicle with a chassis mounted body or a dumpster attached to a self-dumping Motorized Vehicle that is utilized for the pickup and/or transportation of Garbage and Rubbish from Town Residential Property and Non-Residential Property.

“Greater Bridgeport (CT) Regional Solid Waste Interlocal Committee (GBRSWIC)” means the Committee created by the Inter-Community Agreement among the towns and cities in the region to administer a regional recycling program.

“Greater Bridgeport Regional Solid Waste Interlocal Agreement” means the agreement between each individual municipality and the Interlocal.

“Handbills” means loose printed sheet(s) to be distributed by hand.

“Hazardous Waste” means any waste which is classified as hazardous waste under State or Federal law or regulation, and which requires special handling in its collection and disposal. Waste materials classified as Hazardous Waste include, but are not limited to, corrosive wastes, radioactive wastes, toxic wastes, biological & medical wastes, cesspool or other human wastes, human and animal remains & waste, etc.

“Hauler” (also referred to as “Collector”) means a person who has a Garbage & Rubbish Vehicle licensed by the Department to collect Recyclable Materials and/or Garbage and/or Rubbish from Residential Property and Non-Residential Property located within the Town.

“Landfill” means one or more Landfill disposal facilities that shall be legally available for the disposal of Solid Waste.

“Leaves” means the foliage of trees.

“Licensed Public Event” means any event held in the Town that requires a license from any department within the Town.

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"Litter" (also referred to as "Scattered Refuse and/or scattered Recyclable Materials") means Refuse and/or Recyclable Materials which are deposited or discarded in such a manner as to create a public nuisance and/or a danger to public health, safety, and welfare.

"Metal Containers" means aluminum, bi-metal, steel, tin-plated steel, or other metallic cans, plates or trays of any size or shape used to package food and beverage products suitable for human or animal consumption.

"Mixed Paper" means magazines, catalogs, color inserts; envelopes; junk mail; sweepstakes forms; office paper such as fax paper, photocopy paper, computer printouts, white ledger; school paper such as math paper, composition paper, construction paper; nonmetallic wrapping paper; real estate books; carbonless NCR paper.

"Motorized Vehicle" means, but is not limited to, airplanes, automobiles, boats, buses, motorcycles, vans, and trucks.

"Municipal Solid Waste (MSW)" means **Acceptable Solid Waste (ASW)** from Residential Property and Non-Residential Property.

"Newspaper" (also referred to as ONP) means new, used or discarded newsprint including any inserts.

"Non-Residential Property" means business, municipal and commercial establishments within the Town including but not limited to offices, stores, restaurants, institutions, hotels, motels, dormitories, manufacturing facilities, warehouses, etc.

"Oak Ridge" means the company currently operating the Recycle Sorting Facility located in Shelton, CT. Single stream recycled materials are sorted and sent to other facilities for beneficial reuse.

"Office Paper" means used or discarded high-grade white paper and manila paper including, but not limited to, paper utilized for file folders, tab cards, writing, typing, printing and photocopying which is suitable for recycling and which has a minimum of contamination by food or other materials.

"Out-of-Town Permit (OTP)" means a Motorized Vehicle identification sticker that is issued to vehicles that are not registered in the Town for the privilege of utilizing the Town Collection Facility and Transfer Station at One Rod Highway.

"Oversized Bulky Waste (OBW)" means White Goods and other unwanted or discarded materials which are (1) of the kinds normally collected or disposed of, or caused to be collected or disposed of, by or on behalf of the Town; (2) in the judgment of WIN Waste Innovations, reasonably exercised, cannot be processed in the Resource Recovery Facility because of size or incombustibility; (3) would not constitute Special Handling Waste; (4) may be processed as Recyclable Materials or disposed of in a Landfill holding a permit issued by the DEEP; and (5) are too large to be deposited and stored at the Town Transfer Station, or transported to a Landfill.

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"Owner" means any Person who, alone or jointly or severally with others:

(a) shall have legal title to any Residential Property or Non-Residential Property, with or without accompanying actual possession thereof, or (b) shall have charge, care, or control of any Residential Property or Non-Residential Property, as Owner or agent of the Owner, or as executor, executrix, administrator, administratrix, trustee or guardian of the estate of the Owner. Any such person thus representing the actual Owner shall be bound to comply with the provisions of these regulations and of the rules and regulations adopted pursuant thereto, to the same extent as if he were the Owner.

"Park" means a Park, playground, beach, marina, golf course, open space area, recreation center or any other public area in the Town, owned or used by the Town and devoted to active or passive recreation.

"Person" means and includes any individual, firm, corporation, association, or partnership.

"Plastic Containers" means containers of the following materials: polyethylene terephthalate (PETE, #1) high density polyethylene (HDPE # 2) low density polyethylene (LDPE # 4), and polypropylene (PP, # 5). Plastic containers may be of any size & shape used to package food and beverage products, household laundry and cleaning products.

"Premises" means a plotted lot or part thereof or unplotted lot or parcel of land or plot of land, either occupied or unoccupied by any Dwelling or Non-Dwelling structure and includes any such building, accessory structure or other structure thereon.

"Private Registered Vehicle (PRV)" means a Motorized Vehicle that has one of the following State issued classes of license plate(s): Passenger (01); Motorcycle (12); Handicapped (15); Prisoner of War (16); Congressional Medal of Honor (17). Neither a Garbage and Rubbish Vehicle nor a Recycling Vehicle is a PRV Motor Vehicle.

"Propane Cylinder" means #1, #5, #10, or #20 propane cylinders which are used for grills, or camping, which can be dropped off at the Recycling Center by our Residents.

"Putrescible" means liable to become decomposed; especially stinkingly rotten.

"Recyclable Materials" means any discarded materials which are mandated by the State or Commission to be Recycled, as well as other items which are deemed recyclable on a voluntary basis by the Commission.

"Recyclables Temporary Permit" means a validated receipt issued to a Resident for the privilege of delivering specified quantities of Recyclable Materials to the Town Solid Waste Facilities at One Rod Highway.

"Recycle" means to remove or divert material(s) from the Solid Waste stream for the purposes of causing the material(s) to be reused and returned to the economic mainstream in the form of raw materials or finished goods.

"Recycling Box" means the container provided by the Town to a Residential Property unit for the purpose of collecting Recyclable Materials.

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"Recycling Container" means any container, including a Recycling Box or a Dumpster, suitable as a Recycling Container in the discretion of the Director.

"Recycling Facility" means land and appurtenances thereon and structures where Recycling is conducted, including but not limited to the Town Collection Facility and the Recycle Sorting Facility operated by Oak Ridge in Shelton, CT.

"Recycling Vehicle" means any Motorized Vehicle or any Motorized Vehicle with a chassis mounted body, or a dumpster attached to a Motorized Vehicle that is utilized for the pickup and/or transportation of Recyclable Material from Town Residential Property.

"Refuse" means all Putrescible and non-Putrescible Solid Waste not defined by the Commission to be Recyclable Materials.

"Refuse Container" means any covered container, including a covered Dumpster, suitable as a Refuse Container at the discretion of the Director.

"Resident" means any Person that resides in a Residential Property located in the Town.

"Residential Property" means real estate within the Town containing one or more Dwelling Units including apartments and condominiums institutions, dormitories, and student housing, but not including motels or hotels.

"Resource Recovery Facility" means the WIN Waste Innovations (formerly Wheelabrator) Solid Waste volume reduction plant that utilizes processes for reclaiming the energy values from Acceptable Solid Waste (ASW).

"Roll-Off Container" means a Dumpster with a volume capacity of ten (10) cubic yards or larger located at a site in the Town for the collection of Residential or Non-Residential Recyclables, or Garbage and Rubbish and for transportation from the site to the Town Transfer Station.

"Rooming House" means any Dwelling or that part of any Dwelling containing one (1) or more Rooming Units, and/or one (1) or more dormitory rooms.

"Rooming Unit" means any room or group of rooms forming a single habitable unit used or intended to be used for living and sleeping, but not for cooking purposes.

"Rubbish" means non-Putrescible Acceptable Solid Waste (ASW), but **not** including in any case Oversized Bulky Waste (OBW), Bulky Waste (BW), and Yard Waste (YW), Recyclable Materials, or Special Handling Waste (SHW). Rubbish includes, but is not limited to combustible waste such as Christmas wreaths, and roping, etc; Mixed Paper; textiles; furniture; plastics, other than those designated to be Recyclable Materials; rugs; clothing; and wood, and non-combustible wastes such as ashes; ceramics; broken glass; drinking glasses; alkaline and zinc-carbon batteries; light bulbs; metal household items, excluding White Goods; used cat litter; and empty used metal containers such as paint, solvent, lighter fluid, aerosol and motor oil cans.

"Scrap Metal" means used or discarded items which consist predominantly of ferrous metals, aluminum, brass, copper, lead, chromium, tin, nickel or alloys thereof, including, but not limited to, White Goods and Metal Containers.

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“Single Stream Recyclables” means Recyclable Materials listed in Section 3.1 that may be combined/comingled for recycling. Single stream recycled materials are compacted at the Transfer Station, then transported to a sorting facility in Shelton, CT operated by Oak Ridge Waste & Recycling.

"Solid Waste" means all discarded materials.

"Solid Waste Disposal Agreement” means the Municipal Solid Waste Management Services Contract, between WIN Waste Innovations (formerly Wheelabrator) and the Greater Bridgeport Regional Solid Waste Interlocal Committee.

"Solid Waste Facilities" means the Town Transfer Station and Town Collection Facility at One Rod Highway and other facilities as may be established on a permanent or temporary basis to accept Solid Waste.

"Storage Batteries" means lead acid batteries or other batteries used in motor vehicles such as automobiles, airplanes, boats, recreational vehicles, tractors and like applications.

"Special Handling Waste (SHW)" means (a) Hazardous Waste; (b) dirt, concrete and other noncombustible construction material and demolition debris; (c) large items of machinery and equipment, such as motor vehicles and major components thereof (transmissions, rear ends, springs, fenders), agricultural equipment, trailers exceeding six feet in any one of its dimensions or being in whole or in part of a solid mass, the solid mass portion of which has dimensions such that a sphere with a diameter of eight inches could be contained within such solid mass portion; (d) explosives, ordnance materials, sludges, highly inflammable substances, hazardous chemicals, and other materials the acceptance of which, in the judgment of RESCO, reasonably exercised, is likely to cause damage to or adversely affect the operation of the Resource Recovery Facility, constitute a threat to health or safety, or violate or cause the violation of any applicable Federal, State, or Local law, regulation, judicial or administrative decision or order.

"State" means the State of Connecticut.

"Temporary Permit (TP)" means a Motorized Vehicle identification pass that is issued for a period of five (5) consecutive working days for the privilege of utilizing the Town Collection Facility and Transfer Station at One Rod Highway. This permit is available for use on any vehicle that has a valid motor vehicle registration.

"Ton" means 2,000 pounds.

"Town" means the Town of Fairfield, CT and includes authorized officers, boards, commissions, agents, and agencies of the Town.

"Town Commercial Permit" means a Motorized Vehicle identification sticker that is issued to vehicles registered in the Town for the privilege of utilizing the Town Collection Facility and Transfer Station at One Rod Highway.

"Town of Fairfield Permit" means a Motorized Vehicle identification sticker that is issued to vehicles registered in the Town for the privilege of utilizing the Town Collection Facility and Transfer Station at One Rod Highway. This permit is available for use on a vehicle that has a valid State issued Passenger (01); Combination (03); Motorcycle (12); Handicapped (15); Prisoner of War (16); or Congressional Medal of Honor (17) motor vehicle registration.

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"Town Yard Waste Facility" means the facility run by WeCare Denali, or such entity as may be designated by the Town, located across from the Fairfield wastewater treatment plant.

"Toxic" means may cause injury or death upon ingestion, absorption or inhalation.

"Transfer Station" means the volume reduction plant facilities located at One Rod Highway, Fairfield, Connecticut, owned by the Town of Fairfield and maintained by Enviro Express or such entity as may be designated by the Town. The Transfer Station operates as a central collection point where Acceptable Solid Waste (ASW) and Recyclables are received, transferred to another vehicle and transported to the Resource Recovery Facility or Intermediate Processing Center.

"WIN Waste Innovations" (formerly Wheelabrator) means the entity that currently operates the Resource Recovery Facility located in Bridgeport, Connecticut.

"Waste Oil" means crank case oil or automatic transmission fluid (ATF) that is not mixed with antifreeze, brake fluid, gasoline, PCB's or any other oils or liquids.

"Waste Paper" means that paper which is not Mixed Paper, such as newspapers; telephone books; bags (plastic, brown paper, shopping bags); boxes of any kind, including corrugated cardboard, chipboard (e.g. cereal); frozen food cartons; carbon paper; blue prints; hardcover books; paperback books; metallic wrapping paper; overnight envelopes; paper towels or tissues.

"White Goods" means large household appliances including, but not limited to, air conditioners, freezers, refrigerators, cooking stoves, washing machines, clothes dryers, hot water heaters, water softeners, and heating units including furnaces and stoves.

"Yard Waste (YW)" means waste materials including, but not limited to, Leaves, grass clippings, plants, wood chips, shrubs, brush, Christmas trees, and tree fragments that may be composted or otherwise processed into a material product. It does not include tree stumps and shrub roots.

CHAPTER 2: MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE (MSW) MANAGEMENT

2.1 Introduction

2.1.1 For the purpose of these regulations, all Solid Waste generated in the Town is included in the following categories, which are defined in Chapter 1:

- Acceptable Solid Waste (ASW), also referred to as "Garbage and Rubbish"
- Oversized Bulky Waste (OBW)
- Bulky Waste (BW)
- Yard Waste (YW)
- Recyclable Materials
- Special Handling Waste (SHW)
- Some types of Oversized Bulky Waste (OBW) and Yard Waste (YW) may also be regulated as Recyclable Materials.

2.1.2 Declaration of Policy: The accumulation, collection, removal and disposal of Solid Waste must be controlled by the Town for the protection of the public health, safety and welfare. It is consequently found and declared that:

- The Town is authorized by law to regulate the disposition of Solid Waste generated within its boundaries and to collect a charge therefore and to license Collectors; and
- The Town is authorized by Connecticut General Statutes Section 22a-220 to designate the area where Solid Waste generated within its boundaries shall be disposed; and
- The Town has executed the Municipal Service Agreement requiring it to cause all Acceptable Solid Waste (ASW) generated within its boundaries to be transported from the Town Transfer Station or designated Town Collection Facility and delivered to ~~the~~ WIN Waste Innovations, Bridgeport, CT.
- The public health, safety and welfare of the Town will be served by requiring the delivery of Acceptable Solid Waste (ASW) to the Town Transfer Station, then shipped to WIN Waste Innovations, Bridgeport, CT for incineration and conversion to electric energy.
- This Regulation is in furtherance of the Town's approved regional Solid Waste Management Plan.

2.1.3 Recyclable Materials: Adoption of this regulation shall not preclude the removal of Recyclable Materials as defined by the State or by the Town from the Solid Waste stream. See Section 3, Recyclable Materials Management.

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2.2 Acceptable Solid Waste (ASW)

2.2.1 Acceptable Solid Waste (ASW) includes only Garbage and Rubbish.

2.2.2 All Acceptable Solid Waste (ASW) generated within the Town shall be delivered to the Town Transfer Station or a designated Town Collection Facility. The Acceptable Solid Waste (ASW) shall then be transferred to and processed by WIN Waste Innovations, Bridgeport, CT.

2.2.3 Although Food Waste/Scraps are an acceptable part of ASW, residents and businesses have the option of separating food waste and having it picked up by a designated food scrap collection service, who delivers the food waste to a composting or digestion facility. Alternatively, residents may bring food waste to the Transfer Station for pickup by a designated food scrap collection service. All food waste brought to the Transfer Station must be deposited loose or in BPI-certified compostable bags, NOT plastic bags.

2.2.4 Acceptable Solid Waste (ASW) transported in a Garbage and Rubbish Vehicle shall be delivered to the Town Transfer Station. Acceptable Solid Waste (ASW) transported in a PRV Motor Vehicle or a CRV Motor Vehicle shall be delivered to either the Town Transfer Station or a designated Town Collection Facility. See Chapter 4 for Schedule of Fees.

2.2.5 A Person shall not commingle in a Garbage and Rubbish Vehicle, or in a Refuse Container, Acceptable Solid Waste (ASW) generated within the Town with Acceptable Solid Waste (ASW) generated outside the Town. All such material, at the request of the Director, shall be delivered to the Town Transfer Station.

2.2.6 A Person who has delivered to the Town Transfer Station or Collection Facility Acceptable Solid Waste (ASW) which, in the judgment of the Director or the Director's delegate, contains significant quantities of the materials specified in subsection 2.2.9 shall separate and remove the material(s). Special Handling Waste shall be returned by the Person that delivered the material to the source from which it originated.

2.2.7 The material(s) to be removed from the Acceptable Solid Waste (ASW) shall be in the condition specified in subsection 3.1.3 and/or subsection 3.1.4 for disposition in the Collection Facility. The applicable fee specified in Chapter 4 for each of the material(s) so disposed of shall be paid by the Person that delivered the material(s).

2.2.8 Failure to separate and remove the material(s) specified in subsection 2.2.9 within fifteen (15) minutes after the Director or the Director's delegate notifies the Person in writing to take such action shall result in the payment by the Person so notified of the applicable fee (Chapter 4). The material(s) then shall be separated and/or removed by the Town or by the contractor that operates the Transfer Station. Any Special Handling Waste so separated shall be returned to the Person that delivered the material.

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2.2.9 Significant Quantity Exclusions: The following items/quantities shall be removed from Residential Property or Non-Residential Property Acceptable Solid Waste (ASW):

- Commingled Containers.
- Newspaper.
- Aerosol Cans - greater than a total of five (5) percent by volume.
- Electronic Devices – One unit or more.
- Storage Batteries - One (1) unit or more.
- Waste Oil - One (1) quart or more.
- Scrap Metal - Over fifty (50) pounds.
- Automobile Tires - One (1) unit or more.
- White Goods - One (1) unit or more.
- Bulky Waste - Any quantity.
- Yard Waste - Over fifty (50) pounds.
- Special Handling Waste - Any quantity. (See subsection 2.7.2 and subsection 2.7.3).
- Propane Tanks - Over fourteen (14) ounces, one (1) unit or more
- Corrugated Cardboard and Office Paper - Greater than a total of five (5) percent by volume shall be removed only from Non-Residential Acceptable Solid Waste (ASW)

2.2.10 Parks & Public Areas: A Person shall not place Acceptable Solid Waste (ASW) from Residential and/or Non-Residential Property in a Town owned Refuse Container located in a Park or any other public area in the Town.

2.3 Oversized Bulky Waste (OBW)

2.3.1 Oversized Bulky Waste (OBW) shall NOT be processed with Acceptable Solid Waste (ASW) by WIN Waste Innovations.

2.3.2 Oversized Bulky Waste (OBW) generated only within the Town at a Residential Property unit may be delivered to the Town Collection Facility only in a PRV Motor Vehicle or a CRV Motor Vehicle. Oversized Bulky Waste (OBW) shall either be processed as Recyclable Materials or hauled to a DEEP approved Landfill or facility. See Chapter 4 for Schedule of Fees and quantity accepted.

2.3.3 Oversized Bulky Waste (OBW) shall not be delivered in either a Garbage and Rubbish Vehicle or a Recycling Vehicle to the Town Collection Facility.

2.3.4 A Collector shall be allowed to provide pickup service for Oversized Bulky Waste (OBW). A fee may be billed by the Collector directly to the occupant or Owner of the property. The Collector is responsible for delivering the Oversized Bulky Waste (OBW) to a DEEP approved site.

2.3.5 Oversized Bulky Waste (OBW) from Residential Property includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- Scrap Metal
- White Goods
- Storage Batteries
- Waste Oil
- Automobile Tires

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2.3.6 A Person shall not place Oversized Bulky Waste (OBW) from Residential and/or Non-Residential Property in a Town owned Refuse Container located in a Park or any other public area in the Town.

2.4 Bulky Waste (BW), NON-Burnable.

2.4.1 Bulky Waste (BW) shall not be processed with Acceptable Solid Waste (ASW) at the WIN Waste Innovations incinerator.

2.4.2 Bulky Waste (BW) generated only within the Town at a Residential Property unit or a Non-Residential Property unit may be delivered to the Town Collection Facility only in a PRV Motor Vehicle or a CRV Motor Vehicle. Bulky Waste (BW) shall be hauled to a DEEP approved Landfill. See Chapter 4 for Schedule of Fees and quantity accepted.

2.4.3 Bulky Waste (BW) shall not be delivered in either a Garbage and Rubbish Vehicle or a Recycling Vehicle to the Town Collection Facility.

2.4.4 A Collector shall be allowed to provide pickup service for Bulky Waste (BW). A fee may be billed by the Collector directly to the occupant or Owner of the property. The Collector is responsible for delivering the Bulky Waste (BW) to a DEP approved site.

2.4.5 Bulky Waste (BW) from Residential and Non-Residential property includes, but is not limited to, the following: sheet rock; porcelain plumbing fixtures; fiberglass insulation; asphalt shingles; and window glass.

2.4.6 A Person shall not place Bulky Waste (BW) from Residential and/or Non-Residential Property in a Town owned Refuse Container located in a Park or any other Public area in the Town.

2.5 Yard Waste (YW)

2.5.1 Yard Waste (YW) from all Town Residential Property and Non-Residential Property shall not be processed with Acceptable Solid Waste (ASW). Yard waste must be delivered to the Town Yard Waste Facility.

2.5.2 Yard Waste (YW) shall NOT be delivered mixed with Garbage and Rubbish, Oversized Bulky Waste (OBW) or Bulky Waste (BW) to the Town Collection Facility.

2.5.3 Yard Waste (YW) includes, but is not limited to, the following: Leaves; Grass Clippings; Plants; Shrub Fragments but not Shrub Roots; Brush Fragments; Christmas Trees; and Tree Fragments but not Tree Stumps.

2.5.4 A Person shall not place Yard Waste (YW) from Residential and/or Non-Residential Property in a Town owned Refuse Container located in a Park or any other public area in the Town.

2.6 Recyclable Materials: See Chapter 3, Recyclable Materials Management

2.7 Special Handling Waste (SHW)

2.7.1 Special Handling Waste (SHW) shall not be included with Acceptable Solid Waste (ASW), Recyclable Materials, Oversized Bulky Waste (OBW), Bulky Waste (BW) or Yard Waste (YW) from Residential Property or Non-Residential Property.

2.7.2 Special Handling Waste (SHW) shall NOT be delivered to either the Town Transfer Station or the Town Collection Facility.

2.7.3 Special Handling Waste (SHW) includes, but is not limited to, the following: Hazardous Waste from industrial or commercial Non-Residential Property sources; Bulky Waste (BW) over 1,000 pounds from Residential Property or Non-Residential Property sources; machinery and equipment; explosives and ordnance materials; highly flammable substances; radioactive waste; tree stumps, utility poles, and shrub roots.

2.7.4 A Person shall NOT place Special Handling Waste (SHW) from Residential and/or Non-Residential Property in a Town owned Refuse Container located in a Park or any other public area in the Town.

2.7.5. A Person must dispose of Special Handling Waste (SHW) in accordance with applicable state and federal regulations.

CHAPTER 3. RECYCLABLE MATERIALS MANAGEMENT

3.1: Single Stream Recycle: Recyclable items listed below in 3.1.1 through 3.1.8. can be commingled as single-stream recycle. Residents will be able to place all recyclables together in their Recycling Bin to be collected by haulers at curbside or brought to the Transfer Station in residents' autos.

Recycled materials must NOT be in plastic bags. Commingled recyclable items should be placed loose in recycling bins. Paper bags are acceptable, but loose items are ideal. Recyclable items must be processed as set forth below prior to disposal by any Person.

3.1.1 Glass Containers: Glass food & beverage containers must be rinsed and emptied, and the caps removed prior to recycling. Glass may be comingled with single stream recycle or brought separately to the "Glass-only" dumpster at the Transfer Station.

3.1.2 Plastic Containers: Plastic containers must be rinsed and emptied, and the caps removed and thrown in the trash. See the definition of "Plastic Containers" in Section 1.2. NO PLASTIC BAGS are permitted in single stream recycle, as plastic bags jam the sorting machinery. NO BLACK PLASTIC is permitted in single stream recycle.

3.1.3 Aseptic Cartons (Juice Boxes, Milk Containers, etc.) must be rinsed and emptied, and the caps removed and thrown in trash.

3.1.4: Metal Containers: Aluminum and other metal beverage and food containers must be rinsed and emptied, and the lids removed prior to recycling.

3.1.5: Corrugated Cardboard: Any and all packing materials must be removed. Cardboard must be free of refuse, dry, and flattened as much as possible. Cardboard may be comingled with single stream recycle or brought separately to the "Cardboard-only" dumpsters at the Transfer Station.

3.1.6 Newspapers, Junk Mail, Magazines, Catalogs: These items may be recycled only if they are free of contamination by food or other materials.

3.1.7: Boxboard: Cracker Boxes, Shoe Boxes, Paper Bags, Paper Egg Cartons, Cereal Boxes, etc: These items must be emptied of contents and liners, no contamination by food or other materials.

3.1.8: Mixed Paper and/or Office Paper: These items may be recycled only if they are free of contaminants. NO SHREDDED PAPER: Shredded paper jams sorting machinery and must be placed in trash as MSW.

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3.2: Other Recyclable Materials NOT included in Single-Stream Recycle: The following materials shall be brought to the Transfer Station or designated Town Collection Facility for disposition in the following condition:

3.2.1 Storage Batteries: Not broken, not drained.

3.2.2: Waste Oil: Motor oil only, delivered in a closed plastic or metal container. May not contain any contaminants.

3.2.3: Scrap Metal: As specified at the Town Collection Facility.

3.2.4 Automobile Tires: As specified at the Town Collection Facility.

3.2.5: Empty Aerosol Cans go in metal recycling, otherwise they are considered Hazardous Waste

3.2.6 Electronic Devices, batteries, ink cartridges, fluorescent light bulbs, etc as specified at the Town Collection Facility

3.2.7 Antifreeze: Up to three (3) gallons can delivered in a closed plastic container as specified at the Town Collection Facility.

3.3 Procedures - Residential Property

3.3.1 Recyclable Materials listed in Subsection 3.1 (Single Stream) & 3.2 (Other Recyclables) may be delivered to the Transfer Station in either a PRV Motor Vehicle or a CRV Motor Vehicle.

3.3.2 Single Stream Recyclable Materials may be picked up by a Collector from Residential Property units.

3.3.3 The Person(s) occupying a Residential Property with less than four (4) Dwelling Units that utilize a Collector to pick up Recyclable Materials listed in Subsection 3.1.3 shall:

- Place the Recycling Container either at Curbside or Backyard for pickup by a Collector.
- Place only the Recyclable Materials in the Recycling Container, with Newspaper on top.
- Not place the Recycling Container at Curbside before 1 P.M. on the day before the designated collection day.
- Remove the Recycling Container from Curbside on the day of the collection.

3.3.4 The Person(s) occupying a Residential Property with four (4) or more Dwelling Units that utilize a Collector to pick up Recyclable Materials listed in Subsection 3.1.3 shall:

- Place the Recyclable Materials in either a Recycling Container or a covered Dumpster for pickup by a Collector.
- Ensure that the Collector utilizes a Town licensed Recycling Vehicle for pickup and delivery of the Recyclable Materials to a DEEP-approved recycling facility.

3.3.5 Each Residential Property unit shall have one Recycling Container. Replacement and additional Recycling Boxes shall be available for purchase from the Department.

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3.3.6 Christmas trees may be picked up at Curbside by a Collector during designated week(s) in January. Christmas trees may be delivered to the Town Yard Waste Facility.

3.3.7 The Person(s) occupying a Non-Residential Property shall make all necessary and appropriate arrangements for the separation and disposition of Recyclable Materials listed in Subsections 3.1 and Subsection 3.2

3.4 Procedures – Non-Residential Property

3.4.1 The Person(s) occupying a Non-Residential Property shall store Recyclable Materials in either a Recycling Container or a covered Licensed Dumpster.

3.4.2 Non-Residential Property Recyclable Materials listed in Subsection 3.1.1 and Subsection 3.1.2 shall not be delivered in a Recycling Vehicle to the Town Collection Facility.

3.4.3 The following Recyclable Materials generated within the Town at Non-Residential Property units may be delivered to the Town Collection Facility in a PRV Motor Vehicle or a CRV Motor Vehicle:

- Single Stream Recycle per 3.1
- Other Recyclables per 3.2
- Storage Batteries
- Waste Oil
- Scrap Metal
- Electronic Devices

3.4.4 The Person(s) occupying a Non-Residential Property shall ensure that Recyclable Materials removed or sold are reported to the Town as described in Section 3.5.

3.5 Procedures - General

3.5.1 Only Recyclable Materials shall be in a Recycling Container.

3.5.2 Scavenging of Recyclable Materials, or from a Recycling Container by any Person is prohibited.

3.5.3 Deliberate damage to or the theft of a Recycling Container by any Person is prohibited.

3.5.4 Recyclable Materials listed in Subsection 3.1 shall be collected at all Licensed Public Events. The sponsor of a Licensed Public Event shall provide Recycling Containers and shall arrange for the Recyclable Materials either to be picked up by a Collector or delivered to the Town Collection Facility.

3.5.5 The Director may issue permits for volunteer collection of Recyclable Materials. The Person or organization sponsoring the collection shall file a report with the Director detailing the quantity of Recyclable Materials (in pounds) collected.

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3.5.6 A Person shall not place Recyclable Materials from Residential and/or Non-Residential Property in a Town owned Recycling Container located in a park or any other public area in the Town.

3.6 Reporting Requirements

3.6.1 Amounts of Recyclable Materials processed through the Town operated Collection Facility shall be reported by the Collection Facility per Subsection 3.6.4.

3.6.2 Amounts of Recyclable Materials removed by Collectors from Residential Property shall be Delivered to Town of Fairfield Transfer Station or the Oak Ridge facility in Shelton, CT. Recyclable Materials collected from Non-Residential Property in the Town and not delivered to Oak Ridge or processed through the Town Collection Facility shall be reported per Subsection 3.5.4.

3.6.3 The Person(s) occupying a Non-Residential Property shall ensure that Recyclable Materials removed or sold and not included in Subsection 3.6.1 or Subsection 3.6.2 are reported per Subsection 3.5.4.

3.6.4 Amounts by type of Recyclable Materials listed below and the name and location of processing center(s) that each material was delivered to shall be reported to the Director monthly. The reports shall be provided no later than thirty (30) days after the end of each month:

- Single Stream Recycle per 3.1
- Other Recyclables per 3.2
- Storage Batteries
- Waste Oil
- Scrap Metal
- Electronic Devices

CHAPTER 4: SCHEDULE OF TRANSFER STATION & COLLECTION FACILITY FEES

Fees in Sections 4.1 through 4.3 below were approved by the Solid Waste & Recycling Commission in a Special Meeting on April 15th, 2024

4.1 Annual Licenses - Effective July 1st each year:

4.1.1 Garbage & Rubbish Vehicles, Expiration Date June 30th each year

- Chassis-Mounted Body \$150.00 per year
- Roll-Off Transport Motorized Vehicle \$150.00 per year
- Roll-Off Container \$100.00 per year
- Recycling Vehicle – Commercial and Residential \$150.00 per year

4.2 Permits – Effective January 1st each Year, Expiration December 31st each year

- Town of Fairfield Permit (PRV) \$25.00 per year
- Town Commercial Permit (CRV) \$25.00 per year
- Out-of-Town Permit (OTP) \$135.00 per year
- Town of Fairfield “A” Beach Sticker: \$25.00 per year
- Temporary Permit: \$5.00 per permit (Valid for five (5) consecutive working days)
- Recyclables Temporary Permit: \$5.00

4.3: Transfer Station (TS) Fees

4.3.1 PRV, CRV, OTP Vehicles or Temporary Permit Holders:

4.3.1.1 Acceptable Solid Waste (ASW):

- Fixed Income - Under 200 gallons by volume or 1-125 lbs: \$2
- Under 200 gallons by volume or 1-125 lbs: \$7
- 201-400 gallons by volume or 126-250 lbs: \$14
- 251-300 lbs: \$21
- 301-400 lbs: \$28
- Over 400 lbs: \$140 per ton
- Large Items (couches, recliners): \$14 each
- Mattress Twin Set: \$7
- Mattress Full Set or Queen Mattress: \$14
- King Mattress: \$21

4.3.1.2 Bulky Waste (BW):

- 1 lb -125 lbs (1 to 20 gallons): \$11
- 126-250 lbs: \$22
- 251-300 lbs: \$33
- 301-400 lbs: \$44
- Bulky Waste over 400 lbs: \$220 per ton

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4.3.1.3 Miscellaneous Fees:

- Toilet or Sink: \$11 each
- Single Stream Recycling: \$0
- Food Waste: \$0
- Textiles: \$0
- Separated Scrap Metal: \$0
- Automobile Tires: \$5 each
- White Goods (Washers, Dryers, Stoves): \$10 each
- Refrigerant items (A/Cs, Freezers, Refrigerators, Dehumidifiers): \$10 each
- Propane Cylinders 1-5 lbs: \$1 each
- Propane Cylinders 20 lbs: \$5 each
- Fire Extinguishers: \$6 each
- Electronic Devices: \$0
- Waste Oil (up to 10 quarts): \$0
- Antifreeze (up to 3 gallons): \$0

4.3.1.4 Scrap Metal Mixed with ASW:

- 0-100 lbs: \$0
- 101-200 lbs: \$14
- Over 200 lbs: \$140 per ton

**4.3.2 Collector Disposal (Licensed Haulers) Acceptable Solid Waste(ASW)
Garbage Chassis Mounted Body & Roll Off Container:**

4.3.2.1 Residential Hauler:

- 1-125 lbs: \$7
- 126-250 lbs: \$14
- Over 250 lbs: additional rate of \$1.10 per 20 lbs. or \$110 per ton

4.3.2.2 Commercial Hauler:

- 1-125 lbs: \$7
- 126-250 lbs: \$14
- Over 250 lbs additional rate of 1.20 per 20 lbs. or \$120 per ton

CHAPTER 5: COLLECTOR RESPONSIBILITIES

5.1 Basic Collector Obligations - Residential Property

5.1.1 Each Collector shall furnish in writing to the Director in January of each year a list of the service district(s) served and a list of the street(s) on which the Collector provides pickup service to Town Residential Property units. The Director shall have the power to assign a Collector to provide pickup service to a service district in which less than three (3) Collectors provide pickup service to Town Residential property units.

5.1.2 Each Collector shall make available pickup service to all Town Residential Property units in the service district(s) where the Collector has been assigned by the Director. A fee may be billed by the Collector directly to the Person requesting the pickup service.

5.1.3 A Collector shall provide each Residential Property customer at least two (2) weeks written notice of a rate increase initiated by the Collector.

5.1.4 A Collector cannot arbitrarily transfer to another Collector Residential Property unit pickup service without notification.

5.2 Residential Property with less than four (4) Dwelling Units.

5.2.1 Pickup service (also referred to as "basic package") to be offered to occupant(s) or (Owner(s) shall include:

- Garbage and Rubbish collection of at least four (4) Refuse Containers from each Dwelling Unit no less than once a week.
- Recyclable Materials collection of at least one (1) Recycling Container from each Dwelling Unit no less than once every two weeks.

5.2.2 A Collector of Garbage and Rubbish and/or Recyclable Materials from a new customer shall provide the following in writing to the customer within thirty (30) days of commencement of pickup service:

- Fee for the "basic package".
- Fees for other service packages

5.2.3 A Collector of Garbage and Rubbish and/or Recyclable Materials shall provide each customer with at least two (2) weeks advance written notice of a rate increase. The notice shall include the revised fee for the customer's existing service package and a statement that other service packages are available.

5.2.4 The Collector, upon receipt of a customer request, shall provide a written list of the service packages available and the fees charges.

5.3 Residential Property with four (4) or more Dwelling Units

5.3.1 Pickup service to be offered to occupant(s) or Owners shall include:

- Garbage and Rubbish collection no less than once a week.
- Recyclable Materials collection no less than once every two weeks.

5.4 Collector Pickup Service Termination

5.4.1 No Collector shall terminate service to any Residential Property unit without giving written notice to the Residential Property unit.

5.4.2. A Collector may terminate pickup service for nonpayment of monthly charges following written notice.

5.5 Operations

5.5.1 A Collector is authorized to reject Garbage and Rubbish in a Refuse Container that also contains Single Stream Recyclable Materials listed in Subsection 3.1.

5.5.2 A Collector shall be responsible to issue a written notice within seventy-two (72) hours to the Person requesting pickup service and to the Director if:

- Recyclable Materials listed in subsection 3.1 were found in a Refuse Container at a Residential Property.
- Recyclable Materials listed in Subsection 3.1 were found in a Refuse Container at a Non-Residential Property.

5.5.3 A Collector is authorized to reject the contents of a Recycling Container that contains anything other than Recyclable Materials.

5.5.4 A licensed Garbage and Rubbish Vehicle that contains Acceptable Solid Waste (ASW) collected within the Town shall be unloaded at the Town Transfer Station within one (1) working day after the Acceptable Solid Waste (ASW) was placed in the vehicle.

5.5.5 Recyclable Materials listed in Subsection 3.1 picked up by a Collector from Residential Property units shall be delivered to the Transfer Station.

5.5.6 Recyclable Materials that are delivered to Oak Ridge shall be in marketable condition, consistent with current quality standards. The Collector shall be responsible for costs associated with excess breakage or contamination, in addition to other penalties or fines described elsewhere.

5.5.7 Amounts of Recyclable Materials removed by a Collector from Non-Residential Property in the Town and not processed through the Town Collection Facility shall be reported monthly by the Collector to the Director. See Section 3.5 for reporting procedures.

5.5.8 Recycling Containers that do not have lids placed at Curbside shall be turned upside down by the Collector after they are emptied unless materials other than Recyclable Materials remain inside the container.

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CHAPTER 6: PROCEDURES - TRANSFER STATION

6.1 Declaration of Policy - The Town shall make available facilities for the collection and disposal of Acceptable Solid Waste (ASW), Oversized Bulky Waste (OBW), Bulky Waste (BW), and Recyclable Materials generated within the Town. Therefore, the Department shall:

6.1.1 Maintain the Transfer Station and the Collection Facility at One Rod Highway, Fairfield, Connecticut.

6.1.2 Operate the Transfer Station and the Collection Facility Monday through Saturday of each week during specified hours. The facilities shall be closed during Town holidays as specified by the Director.

6.1.3 Establish written rules and procedures for the operation and use of the Transfer Station and Collection Facility consistent with the Town Solid Waste and Recycling Regulations and State statutes. Employees of the Department and WIN Waste Innovations or their contractor(s) or agent(s) shall have the authority to interpret and enforce these rules and procedures.

6.1.4 Propose an expense and income budget for the operation of the Transfer Station and the Collection Facility for approval by the Commission, Board of Selectman, Board of Finance and Representative Town Meeting.

6.1.5 Present all Schedule of Fee revisions at a public hearing of the Commission prior to implementation.

6.2 General Regulations

6.2.1 A valid Town license or permit shall be required for a Motorized Vehicle delivering the following Solid Waste:

- Acceptable Solid Waste (ASW) Garbage and Rubbish
- Recyclable Materials
- Oversized Bulky Waste (OBW)
- Bulky Waste (BW)
- Yard Waste (YW): Yard Waste to be delivered to Town Waste Facility.

6.2.2 Only Solid Waste generated within the Town shall be delivered to the Transfer Station

6.2.3 The Person driving a Motorized Vehicle transporting Solid Waste within the Town shall ensure that all the Solid Waste is tied down or covered to prevent the escape of Solid Waste from the vehicle except when the vehicle is stopped for loading or unloading. (See Section 72-6 of the Town Code.)

6.2.4 Deliveries in a Motorized Vehicle are subject to payment of fees. See Chapter 4 for Schedule of Fees.

6.3 Licensed Vehicles

6.3.1 All Persons operating Town licensed Garbage and Rubbish Vehicles delivering to the Town Transfer Station shall comply with all applicable regulations.

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6.3.2 All Persons operating Town licensed Recycling Vehicles delivering to the Intermediate Processing Center (IPC) shall comply with all applicable regulations.

6.4 Permit Vehicles

6.4.1 A valid Motorized Vehicle permit of one of the following types shall be required to enter the Town Transfer Station or Yard Waste Facility:

- Town of Fairfield Permit
- Town Commercial Permit
- Out-of-Town Permit (OTP)
- Temporary Permit (TP)
- Recyclables Temporary Permit

6.4.1.6 A valid Motor Vehicle Permit shall be issued unless payments to the Town of Fairfield are in arrears.

6.4.2 Permit Use

6.4.2.1 The Town of Fairfield Permit windshield sticker shall be available for use by a resident that has a valid State issued Passenger (01), Combination (03), Motorcycle (12), Handicapped (15); Prisoner of War (16), or Congressional Medal of Honor (17) motor vehicle registration. The Sticker shall be marked with the motor vehicle registration number of the Motorized Vehicle; and shall be placed on the driver side of the windshield.

6.4.2.2 The Town Commercial Permit windshield sticker shall be available for use by a Person that has a valid State motor vehicle registration for a vehicle registered in the Town at a Non-Residential Property or a paid Town real estate or Personal Property tax bill for the Current List Year. The sticker shall be marked with the motor vehicle registration number of the Motorized Vehicle; shall be placed on the passenger side of the windshield; and shall be marked CRV.

6.4.2.3 The Out-of-Town Permit windshield sticker shall be available for use by a Person that has a valid motor vehicle registration for a vehicle not registered in the Town. The vehicle is not required to have a State motor vehicle registration. The sticker shall be marked with the motor vehicle registration number of the Motorized Vehicle; shall be placed on the passenger side of the windshield; and shall be marked OTP.

6.4.2.4 The Temporary Permit shall be available for use by a Person for the disposal of Solid Waste generated only within the Town.

6.4.2.5 The Recyclables Temporary Permit shall be available for use by a person for the disposal of materials to the Goodwill Industries, Inc. collection trailer located adjacent to the Transfer Station.

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6.4.3 Motor Vehicle Inspection

6.4.3.1 A Motorized Vehicle shall be subject to inspection at the Town Solid Waste Facilities to verify that the license plate number written on the windshield sticker coincides with the license plate(s) numbers on the Motor Vehicle.

6.4.3.2 Any Motorized Vehicle that has a windshield sticker with a different number than the license plate(s) shall be rejected from the facility and reported to the Town Police Department.

6.5 PRV Motor Vehicle - Fee Payment and Enforcement

6.5.1 The Person operating a Motorized Vehicle that displays a valid Town of Fairfield Permit with a State issued Passenger (01); Motorcycle (12); Handicapped (15); Prisoner of War (16); Congressional Medal of Honor (17) registration and license plate(s) shall pay the Schedule of Fees for PRV Motor Vehicle. At the discretion of the Director or the Director's delegate, the vehicle shall be inspected and weighed to determine the gross weight of the vehicle, and the type and net weight of the Solid Waste contained in the vehicle. The applicable fee(s) shall be charged.

6.5.2 The Person operating any PRV Motor Vehicle that fails to pay the applicable fee(s) due to the Town shall be reported to the Town Police Department. See Chapter 9 - Enforcement.

6.6 CRV, OTP, or TP Motor Vehicle - Fee Payment and Enforcement

6.6.1 The Person operating a Motorized Vehicle that displays a valid Town of Fairfield Permit with a State Combination (03) license plate(s), shall pay the Schedule of Fees for CRV Motor Vehicle. The vehicle shall be inspected and weighed to determine the gross weight of the vehicle, and the type and net weight of the Solid Waste contained in the vehicle. The applicable fee(s) (Chapter 4) shall be charged.

6.6.2 The Person operating a Motorized Vehicle that displays a valid Town Commercial Permit with a State Commercial (02) or any other class of license plate(s), shall pay the Schedule of Fees for a CRV Motor Vehicle. The vehicle shall be inspected and weighed to determine the gross weight of the vehicle, and the type and net weight of the Solid Waste contained in the vehicle. The applicable fee(s) (Chapter 4) shall be charged.

6.6.3 The Person operating a Motorized Vehicle that displays a valid Out-of-Town Permit (OTP) shall pay the Schedule of Fees for a CRV Motor Vehicle. The vehicle shall be inspected and weighed to determine the gross weight of the vehicle, and the type and net weight of the Solid Waste contained in the vehicle. The applicable fee(s) (Chapter 4) shall be charged.

6.6.4 The Person operating Motorized Vehicle that displays a valid Temporary Permit (TP) on any vehicle class license plate(s), shall pay the Schedule of Fees for a CRV Motor Vehicle. The vehicle shall be inspected and weighed to determine the gross weight of the vehicle, and the type and net weight of the Solid Waste contained in the vehicle. The applicable fee(s) (Chapter 4) shall be charged.

6.6.5 The Person operating any CRV, NRV, OTP, or TP Motor Vehicle that fails to pay the applicable fee(s) due to the Town shall be reported to the Town Police Department.

CHAPTER 7 COLLECTOR LICENSING – GARBAGE AND RUBBISH VEHICLES

7.1 Garbage and Rubbish Vehicles

7.1.1 A Garbage and Rubbish Vehicle shall be inspected by the Director or the Director's delegate between June 1st and June 30th of each year. The tare weight of the vehicle shall be determined during each inspection. The vehicle shall have State issued license plate(s).

7.1.2 A Garbage and Rubbish Vehicle shall be constructed so that there shall be no loss of Garbage and Rubbish, including liquid Solid Waste, from the vehicle. If any such Vehicle shall have an open top, the unit shall be tightly covered whenever it is in motion to prevent the escape of Garbage and Rubbish.

7.1.3 A Garbage and Rubbish Vehicle shall not be used to transport Recyclable Materials listed in Subsection 3.1.3, Oversized Bulky Waste (OBW), Bulky Waste (BW), or Special Handling Waste (SHW) to the Town Transfer Station and/or the Town Collection Facility.

7.2 Recycling Vehicles – Commercial and Residential

7.2.1 A Recycling Vehicle shall be inspected by the Director or the Director's delegate between June 1st and June 30th each year. The Vehicle shall have state issued license plate(s).

7.2.2 If any Recycling Vehicle has an open top, the unit shall be sufficiently covered whenever it is in motion to prevent the escape of Recyclable Materials. (See Section 72-6 of the Town Code.)

7.2.3 A Recycling Vehicle shall not be used to transport Garbage and Rubbish, Oversized Bulky Waste (OBW), Bulky Waste (BW), Yard Waste (YW), or Special Handling Waste (SHW) to the Town Transfer Station and the Town Collection Facility.

7.3 General Conditions: In this Section, "Vehicle" shall mean either a "Garbage and Rubbish Vehicle" or a "Recycling Vehicle".

7.3.1 A Collector shall obtain, prior to June 30 of each year, a Vehicle license from the Town for each Vehicle that is utilized for pickup and/or transportation in the Town. See Chapter 4 for Schedule of Fees. The person signing the license application shall be held accountable for complying with all the rules and regulations of the Commission and for any fines and penalties associated with non-compliance, including both civil and criminal penalties, if any.

7.3.2 The Town shall grant a Vehicle license to a Collector within a reasonable period of time following receipt of the Vehicle license application, Certificate of Insurance naming the Town of Fairfield as Additional Insured, payment of the license fee, and approval of the Vehicle unless one or more of the following conditions prevails:

- The Vehicle was found during inspection unsuitable for the collection of Garbage and Rubbish or Recyclable Materials. (See section 7.1 and section 7.2).
- The Collector has not submitted to the Director a written description of the service district(s) and street(s) in which the Collector provides pickup service to Town Residential Property units. (See subsection 5.1.2).

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- The Collector has not submitted to each Town Residential Property customer a written notice of rates and service packages. (See subsection 5.1.4 and section 5.2).
- The Collector has an account with the Town of Fairfield, Solid Waste and Recycling Department which is in arrears.
- The Collector has violated or is in violation of any section of the Town of Fairfield, Solid Waste and Recycling Regulations

7.3.3 The license, consisting of two (2) labels, shall be affixed and conspicuously displayed on the left and right sides of the licensed Vehicle.

7.3.4 A licensed Vehicle shall be marked on the doors of the Vehicle's Cab and/or sides of the Vehicle with the name address and telephone number of the Collector or Collectors that utilize the unit.

7.3.5 A licensed Vehicle shall be kept clean, free of odor and in good operating condition at all times.

7.3.6 A licensed Vehicle stored in the Town shall be stored off the street, on private property, and in such condition that it does not create a nuisance.

7.3.7 A licensed Vehicle shall comply with the regulations of the Town Transfer Station or the Town Collection Facility as applicable.

7.3.8 A licensed Vehicle shall be subject to inspection at any time by the Department or the Department of Health, as applicable.

7.3.9 Each Collector shall be required to file with the Department his current mailing address and also shall be required to notify the Department of any change of address within five (5) working days of any such change.

7.3.10 A license not renewed by June 30th shall be suspended after the passage of a ten (10) working day grace period.

7.3.11 A license for a Vehicle operated by a Collector shall not be transferred to a third party or to another Collector.

7.4 All Dumpsters in the town will have the Name and Telephone Number of the Company supplying that container.

CHAPTER 8: OTHER REGULATIONS

8.1 Garbage and Rubbish Handling

8.1.1 Garbage and Rubbish, or Putrescible material of any kind not otherwise provided for in these regulations, shall be stored in a Refuse Container.

8.1.2 All Refuse Containers, including a Dumpster, used for the storage of Garbage and Rubbish shall be kept covered, clean dry, in good repair, and in a sanitary condition.

8.1.3 The Person(s) occupying a Residential Property with less than four (4) Dwelling Units shall store Garbage and Rubbish in covered Refuse Containers of not over thirty-four (34) gallon capacity, the weight of which when filled, shall not exceed sixty (60) pounds. The Refuse Containers shall be placed in the backyard or curbside for pickup by the Collector.

8.1.4 No large open-head steel drums or wooden barrels shall be permitted for use as Refuse Containers at a Residential Property unit.

8.1.5 The Person(s) occupying a Non-Residential Property unit and/or Residential Property with four (4) or more Dwelling Units shall:

- Store Garbage and Rubbish in either a covered Refuse Container or a covered Dumpster. The storage location shall be subject to inspection by the Town.
- Ensure that the Collector of Garbage and Rubbish utilized a Town licensed Garbage and Rubbish Vehicle for pickup and delivery of the Garbage and Rubbish to the Town Transfer Station.
- All Refuse and Recycling Container placed curbside must be out by 6 AM on the scheduled collection day, but no sooner than two hours prior to sunset on the day preceding a scheduled collection day. Empty containers should be removed from the curbside by 7:00 PM on the day of collection.

8.2 Open Burning of any Solid Waste, including Acceptable Solid Waste (ASW) - Garbage and Rubbish; Recyclable Materials; Oversized Bulky Waste (OBW); Bulky Waste (BW); Yard Waste (YW); or Special Handling Waste (SHW), is prohibited at any location in the Town.

8.3 Dumping of any Solid Waste, including Acceptable Solid Waste (ASW) - Garbage and Rubbish; Oversized Bulky Waste (OBW); Bulky Waste (BW); Recyclable Materials; Yard Waste (YW); or Special Handling Waste (SHW), is prohibited at any location in the Town, except as permitted by these regulations to be delivered to the Town Transfer Station or the Town Collection Facility.

8.4 Nothing in these regulations shall be construed to permit the storage, pickup or disposal of any kind of Garbage or Rubbish, Recyclable Materials or any other material in such a way as to produce a nuisance. Residential properties or Commercial properties adjacent to Residential properties where complaints are received, pickup shall not commence prior to 6:00 A.M.

8.5 When funds are budgeted by the Town, Residential Property household hazardous waste may be delivered to a designated site for disposal by a contractor approved by the DEEP.

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CHAPTER 9: ENFORCEMENT

9.1 The Director, or the Director's delegate, shall be responsible for administering and enforcing the Town Solid Waste and Recycling Regulations.

9.2 Violations: When, in the judgment of the Director or the Director's delegate, there has been a violation of any regulation, a violation notice shall be issued to the responsible Person. Such notice shall be in writing and shall include a statement of the reasons for the issuance of the violation notice, and if applicable, specify the period of time granted to the responsible Person to be in compliance.

9.3 Any Person, other than a Collector, that is in violation of Chapters 2 & 3 of these regulations shall be subject to the following:

- Upon the first violation, the Director shall notify the violator in writing that subsequent violation may result in fines and/or non-collection of Garbage and Rubbish.
- Upon notification of the second violation, within 365 days of the first violation, the Director shall issue a written warning that a subsequent violation will result in a fine and/or non-collection of Garbage and/or Rubbish.
- Upon notification of the third violation, within 365 days of the first violation, the violator shall be subject to a fine not to exceed \$125 per offense.

9.4 Violations by any Person of any section of these regulations shall subject violator to a fine not to exceed \$125 per offense.

9.5 In addition to the penalty or penalties in Section 9.4, any license or permit issued by the Department may be suspended for cause by the Director for a period not to exceed twelve (12) months.

9.5.1 The suspension shall take effect thirty (30) working days after issuance of a written notice to the Person that was issued the license or permit.

9.5.2 Such a suspension may be appealed in writing to the Commission within ten (10) working days of notice of suspension. Written notice of appeal shall act as a stay of the Director's order until a decision has been made by the Commission after a public hearing. A public hearing of the Commission shall take place within sixty (60) days after the written appeal has been received to review the action of the Director.

9.5.3 The proceedings of such a public hearing of the Commission, including the findings and decisions of the Commission, shall be reduced to writing and entered as a matter of public record in the office of the Town Clerk.

9.6 Any delivery to the Town Transfer Station and/or Collection Facility may be rejected by the Director or the Director's delegate if it violates any Section of these regulations.

***** END OF SWR REGULATIONS*****