

## COUNCIL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

### SECTION – H

#### MISCELLANEOUS

**SUBJECT:** Use of Waste Management Facility- Tipping Fees for Landfill Disposal

**POLICY NUMBER:** H-7

**APPROVAL DATE:** April 10, 1991

**AMENDED:** September 22, 2021

#### **PREAMBLE:**

It shall be the policy of Council to retain control over who may dispose of waste at the Municipal Waste Management Facility and to charge a tipping fee to those individuals, companies or groups who are authorized to dispose of waste at the site which does not originate within the boundaries of the Municipality of the District of Guysborough and Industrial Users from within the Municipality. Also, this policy shall ensure that all waste generated within the Municipality of the District of Guysborough is disposed of at the Guysborough Waste Management Facility Site if acceptable under current operating policies.

#### **TERMS:**

1. Any and all waste which is disposed of at the must be disposed of in compliance with the Operations Manual approved for the site.
2. **WASTE**-shall mean those items listed as acceptable waste in Section 5.1 to Section 5.4 (revised) of the Operations Manual (attached as Appendix A).
3. **INDUSTRIAL**- shall mean any projects which would require Industrial Zoning if located within a planned area, as well as any Industrial Building or Outdoor Storage Space exceeding 1,200 square feet which is intended for industrial use and shall include all waste materials in excess of the eight (8) bag limit which is picked up by the Municipal Waste Hauler (contract).
4. No waste originating outside the Municipality of the District of Guysborough shall be disposed of at the Municipal Waste Management Facility unless prior authorization has been received from the Municipality in the form of a Waste Agreement, a contract, a policy or a motion relating to the material to be disposed.

5. Any waste originating within the Municipality of the District of Guysborough shall be disposed of at the Guysborough Waste Management Facility and may be subject to the appropriate disposal tipping fee if applicable.
6. In order to receive authorization to dispose of waste at the Municipal Waste Management Facility a request must be completed and submitted to the Director of Waste Management and written approval must be received prior to delivery of any waste that is not approved for disposal under any current agreement.
7. Any individual, company or group authorized to dispose of waste at the Waste Management Facility which does not originate within the Municipality of the District of Guysborough, will be required to pay a fee equal to the amount per ton paid by the municipal unit where the waste was generated or a rate as established by Council from time to time. The weight of materials subject to the disposal fee will be determined by the Weigh Scale.
8. A specific tipping fee per ton is provided for use of the site by the Municipality's Solid Waste Regions:
  - Region 1- All of Cape Breton
  - Region 2- All of Guysborough County, Antigonish County & Pictou County per contracts with each unit.
9. Disposal of waste at the Guysborough Waste Management Facility shall be carried out in accordance with the instructions of the Site Operator (or designate) with regard to timing, location, etc. and all municipal policies respecting the acceptance and handling of waste materials.
10. Waste being disposed of at the Guysborough Waste Management Facility must be delivered to the Site by the owner or his agent and must be sorted and placed in the designated zones for each particular type of material by the hauler or owner/hauler may be charged a special handling fee.
11. The Director of Waste Management shall be authorized by the Council to approve requests for disposal of waste at the Guysborough Waste Management Facility by non-resident users for the types of materials currently accepted under current Waste Agreements but any unusual request to accept materials from outside Regions 1 & 2 or for materials not identified in our operating permit shall be approved by Council and Nova Scotia Environment if required.
12. The Municipality of the District of Guysborough reserves the right to restrict non-resident use of the site or to withhold approval of any application for use of the site if it is considered to be in the best interest of the Municipality. The Municipal Clerk shall also have the power to reject an application in accordance with this clause.
13. Should any special handling procedures be required for disposal of waste which originates either within or outside the Municipality of the District of Guysborough (such as sorting,

spreading, air drying of contaminated soils, extra cover, etc.) the cost of this special handling may be recovered from the source from which the waste originated with the special handling cost to be assigned by the site supervisor, based on the labour and equipment required to accept that material.

14. The Municipality of the District of Guysborough will assess a tipping fee for the handling and disposal of waste at the Guysborough Waste Management Facility delivered by or on behalf of any and all Federal or Provincial Government Departments or their agencies at a rate equivalent to the tipping fee levied in the Municipality where the waste is generated or at a rate established by Council from time to time. An assigned tipping fee shall apply regardless of where the waste originates.

The list of materials which MAY NOT be disposed of at the Landfill Site is as follows:

- Explosives or highly combustible materials of any nature;
- Radioactive material
- Any corrosive, toxic or hazardous materials;
- Any carcasses of animals larger than a dog (maximum 25 kg.). The number of carcasses of small animals, fish waste, etc. disposed of at one time is at the discretion of the Site Operator);
- Corrugated Cardboard and newsprint;
- Redeemable beverage containers;
- Steel/tin and glass food containers as of April 1, 1998;
- Low and high density polyethylene bags and plastic as of April 1, 1998;
- Compostable Organic Material as of November 30, 1998.
- Any waste brought to the Site that does not fit specifically in any category are to be referred to the Nova Scotia Department of Environment for approval prior to deposition.

## **ACCEPTABLE WASTE**

The Site Operator is to allow only those materials to be deposited on the Landfill for which the Site has been designed. These are listed as follows:

- Solid Waste, including all animal waste material from the preparation of food, sweepings, paper, boxboard, wearing apparel, ashes, and discarded household utensils;
- Refuse, including lawn and hedge cuttings, leaves, twigs, Christmas trees and limbs provided they are placed in the designated Leaf and Yard Waste Zone and are not more than 12 feet (3.6 m) in length.
- Furniture and white goods such as freezers, fridges, stoves, etc. provided they are placed in the designated White Goods Zone;
- Waste Building Lumber less than 12 feet (3.6 m) in length and other building materials provided they are placed in the designated Construction Debris Zone and separated according to lumber, asphalt shingles, etc.;

- Sheet Iron and Scrap Metal can be disposed of at the Site provided they are placed in the designated Scrap Metal Zone. Special care and precautions will be taken in managing scrap metal such that salvage and removal of scrap can take place periodically;
- Tree Stumps and Trees and Sawdust Shavings having a diameter less than 12 inches (300mm) and length less than 12 feet (3.6 m) provided they are placed in the designated Leaf and Yard Waste Zone.
- Waste Oil provided it is placed in the designated Waste Oil Tank;
- Household Hazardous Waste such as paint, antifreeze, etc. provided it is placed in the Paint and Household Hazardous Waste Building;
- Scrap tires provided they are placed in the designated Scrap Tire Zone;
- Lead-Acid Automotive Batteries provided they are placed in the designated Lead-Acid Automotive Battery Building.