



SOLID WASTE REGULATIONS APPLICABLE TO
COMMERCIAL AND MULTI-FAMILY
PROPERTIES

§ 177-5. Separation and collection of recyclables.

- C. Persons must separate high-grade office paper, aluminum, corrugated paper, leaf waste and such other materials as may be designated by the municipality generated at commercial, municipal and institutional establishments and from community activities and store the recyclable materials until collection. A person may be exempted from this subsection if that person submits documentation to the municipality annually indicating that the designated recyclable materials are being recycled in an appropriate manner.

§ 177-9. Disposal of materials.

Disposal by persons of designated recyclable materials with waste is prohibited and shall be a violation of this Article. The collected recyclable materials shall be taken to a recycling facility. Disposal by collectors or operators of recycling facilities of source-separated recyclable materials in landfills or to be burned in incinerators is prohibited unless market do not exist and the collectors have notified the Secretary-Manager of the Borough of Dormont or his or her designee, in writing.

§ 177-10. Enforcement and administration; violations and penalties.

- A. The Council of the Borough of Dormont or its designee is hereby authorized and directed to promulgate, by resolution, rules and regulations for the operation and enforcement of this Article, to include but not be limited to:
- (1) Establishing designated recyclable materials to be separated for collection and recycling by residences and additional recyclable materials to be separated by commercial, municipal and institutional establishments.
 - (2) Establishing collection procedures for recyclable materials.
 - (3) Establishing reporting procedures for amounts of materials recycled.
 - (4) Establishing procedures for the distribution, monitoring and collection of recyclable containers.
 - (5) Establishing procedures and rules for the collection of leaf waste.
 - (6) Establishing that certain recyclables be rinsed free of food particles and drained prior to being placed for recycling.

- B. Any person, firm or corporation who or which shall violate the provisions of this Article shall receive an official written warning of noncompliance for the first and second offense. Thereafter, all such violations shall be subject to the penalties hereinafter provided.
- C. Except as hereinafter provided, any person, firm or corporation who or which shall violate any of the provisions of this Article shall, upon conviction, be sentenced to pay a penalty of not less than fifty dollars (\$50.) nor more than six hundred dollars (\$600.) and costs of prosecution for each and every offense. Each day of violation shall be considered a separate and distinct offense.

§ 177-17. Storage standards.

- A. The storage of all solid waste shall be practiced so as to prevent the attraction, harborage or breeding of insects or rodents and to eliminate conditions harmful to public health or which create safety hazards, odors, unsightliness or public nuisances.
- B. Any person producing municipal waste shall provide a sufficient number of approved containers to store all waste materials generated during periods between regularly scheduled collections and shall place and store all waste materials therein.
- C. Any person storing municipal waste for collection shall comply with the following preparation standards:
 - (1) All municipal waste shall be drained free of liquids before being placed in storage containers.
 - (2) All garbage or other putrescible waste shall be securely wrapped in paper, plastic or similar material or placed in properly tied plastic bags.
 - (3) All cans, bottles or other food containers should be rinsed free of food particles and drained before being placed in storage containers.
 - (4) Garden clippings and tree trimmings shall be placed in approved containers or shall be cut and tied securely into bundles. Bundles shall be not more than four feet in length, not more than two feet in diameter and not more than 40 pounds in weight.
 - (5) Newspapers and magazines shall be placed in approved containers or shall be tied securely into bundles of not more than 20 pounds in weight.
 - (6) When specified by the municipality or its designated representative, special preparation and storage procedures may be required to facilitate the collection and resource recovery of certain waste materials.
- D. All municipal waste shall be stored in containers approved by the municipality or its designated representative. Individual containers and bulk containers utilized for storage of municipal waste shall comply with the following standards:
 - (1) Reusable containers shall be constructed of durable, watertight, rust- and corrosion resistant material, such as plastic, metal or fiberglass, in such a manner as to be leak-proof, weatherproof, insect-proof and rodent-proof.

- (2) Reusable containers for individual residences shall have a tight-fitting cover and suitable lifting handles to facilitate collection.
- (3) Reusable containers for individual residences shall have a capacity of not less than 10 gallons nor more than 32 gallons and a loaded weight of not more than 32 pounds.
- (4) Disposable plastic bags or sacks are acceptable containers, provided that the bags are designated for waste disposal. Plastic bags shall have sufficient wall strength to maintain physical integrity when lifted by the top, shall be securely tied at the top for collection and shall have a capacity of not more than 30 gallons and a loaded weight of not more than 32 pounds.
- (5) All containers, either reusable or disposable, shall also comply with the minimum standards established by the National Sanitation Foundation.
- (6) It shall be unlawful for any person to store a trash can within a borough right-of-way or within any hallway, entranceway, lobby or similar common area of any dwelling designed or occupied as a residence for two or more families. It shall be unlawful for any person to privately store a trash can within 10 feet of any adjoining building, provided that there is at least 10 feet distance between the two building lines of adjacent buildings or within the area between the face of any building and the adjacent street right-of-way line.

E. Any person storing municipal waste for collection shall comply with the following storage standards:

- (1) Containers shall be kept tightly sealed or covered at all times. Solid waste shall not protrude or extend above the top of the container.
- (2) Reusable containers shall be kept in a sanitary condition at all times. The interior of the containers shall be thoroughly cleaned, rinsed, drained and disinfected as often as necessary to prevent the accumulation of liquid residues or solids on the bottom or sides of the containers.
- (3) Containers shall be used and maintained so as to prevent public nuisances.
- (4) Containers that do not conform to the standards of this article or which have sharp edges, ragged edges or any other defect that may hamper or injure collection personnel shall be promptly replaced by the owner upon notice from the municipality or its designated representative.
- (5) Containers shall be placed by the owner or customer at a collection point specified by the municipality or its designated representative.
- (6) With the exception of pickup days when the containers are placed out for collection, the containers shall be properly stored on the owner's or customer's premises at all times.
- (7) Bulk waste items such as furniture, automobile parts, machinery, appliances and tires shall be stored in a manner that will prevent the accumulation or collection of water, the harborage of rodents, safety hazards and fire hazards. The municipality does not have the obligation to remove these materials.

(8) The Borough of Dormont may from time to time license any commercial collector or charitable organization desiring to engage in the collection of rubbish, garbage and other refuse within the Borough of Dormont. Such license shall be issued, provided that said applicant is a reputable concern or organization, is capable of rendering proper collection services, has deposited with the Borough Manager a copy of its certificate of insurance for public liability and workers' compensation and has had its vehicles inspected by the designated representative of the municipality. The license shall be valid for a period of one year. The fee for said license shall be established by resolution of the Council and shall be collected from the applicant by the Borough Manager at the time of the issuance or renewal of said license. The person under contract with the Borough of Dormont for the collection of rubbish, garbage and other refuse shall not be required to secure the license provided from herein.

F. The storage of all municipal waste from multifamily housing property, commercial establishments, institutions and industrial lunchroom or office waste sources is subject to the regulations and standards set forth in this article. The type, size and placement requirements for bulk containers shall be determined by the waste generator and the waste hauler, shall be in appropriate size and condition to adequately store the municipal waste and are subject to approval by the municipality. The municipality may require an annual inspection of the same and establish by resolution a fee for said inspection.

§ 177-18. Collection standards.

E. All commercial, institutional, public and industrial lunchroom and office waste containing garbage shall be collected at least once a week. Rubbish collection from these sources shall be made as often as necessary to control health hazards, odors, flies and unsightly conditions. The municipality reserves the right to require more frequent collection when deemed necessary.

G. All solid waste collection activity shall be conducted from Monday through Saturday between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., unless prior approval of any exception has been granted by the municipality. No collection, hauling or transporting of solid waste shall be permitted on Sunday.