

TOWN OF NORTH READING
SOLID WASTE USER FEE REGULATIONS

Adopted by Board of Selectmen June 17, 2002

Modified May 9, 2005

1. Unless otherwise provided for in these regulations, all residential property owners participating in the Solid Waste Collection program shall pay a user fee for the collection of household trash only. The Board of Selectmen will set the fee annually.
2. A property owner is considered a participant in the Town sponsored Solid Waste Collection program unless the property owner has submitted and has had approved (by the Board of Health) a completed alternative Solid Waste Disposal form.
3. To avoid charges on a vacant dwelling, the Town must be officially notified of vacancy and validated by the Building Inspector.
4. Any single-family household receiving a Real Estate Property Tax Exemption under Chapter 59, Section 5, Clause 18, Clause 17E, Clause 22, Clause 37A, Clause 41A and 42, and/or Clause 41D shall receive a 50% exemption on the Solid Waste user fee.
5. Owners of multi-family dwellings listed as separate residences shall be charged a fee for each dwelling unit as determined by the Board of Selectmen.
6. Billing shall be on a fiscal year basis billed quarterly in four equal installments. Delinquent accounts shall be assessed an interest rate of 9% per year. Bills not paid in one years time will be processed the same manner as delinquent water accounts.
7. New residential dwelling units shall be billed effective the quarter they receive their occupancy permit.
8. Residential dwelling owners opting for a Solid Waste disposal service other than the municipal program shall be responsible for paying the Solid Waste user fee during the last quarter thy received municipal service.
9. Solid waste containers, toters, bags and recycling bins must be at the curb by 7:00 a.m. of the day of collection.
10. Replacement or additional recycling bins will be available for purchase from the DPW.
11. When a person moves, the recycling bin provided by the Town is to remain at the address.