

Chapter 230

SOLID WASTE

Section 230.010. Definitions.

For the purposes of this Chapter, the following terms shall be deemed to have the meanings indicated below:

BULKY RUBBISH — Non-putrescible solid wastes consisting of combustible and/or non-combustible waste materials from dwelling units, commercial, industrial, institutional or agricultural establishments which are either too large or too heavy to be safely and conveniently loaded in solid waste transportation vehicles by solid waste collectors with the equipment available therefor.

CITY — The City of Puxico, Missouri.

COLLECTION — Removal of solid waste from its place of storage to the transportation vehicle.

COMMERCIAL SOLID WASTE — All solid waste generated from a source other than a dwelling unit.

CONTRACTOR — Such person, firm or corporation as may be contracted with to provide solid waste transportation and disposal for the City.

CURBSIDE — A location adjacent to and not more than five (5) feet from any street.

DISPOSABLE SOLID WASTE CONTAINER — Disposable plastic or paper sacks with a capacity of twenty (20) to thirty-nine (39) gallons or, if specifically designated for storage of solid waste, a maximum of fifty-five (55) gallons.

DWELLING UNIT — Any room or group of rooms located within a structure and forming a single habitable unit with facilities which are used, or are intended to be used, for living, sleeping, cooking and eating. Units of multiple-housing facilities may be billed as dwelling units upon request by the owner of said dwelling units.

GARBAGE — Putrescible animal or vegetable wastes resulting from the handling, preparation, cooking, serving or consumption of food.

HAZARDOUS WASTES — Any waste or combination of wastes, as determined by the Hazardous Waste Management Commission by rules and regulations, which, because of its quantity, concentration or physical, chemical or infectious characteristics, may cause or significantly contribute to an increase in mortality or an increase in serious irreversible or incapacitating reversible illness, or pose a present or potential threat to the health of humans or the environment.

MAJOR APPLIANCES — Clothes washers and dryers, water heaters, trash compactors,

dishwashers, conventional ovens, ranges, stoves, wood stoves, air-conditioners, refrigerators and freezers.

OCCUPANT — Any person who, alone or jointly or severally with others, shall be in actual possession of any dwelling unit or of any other improved real property, either as owner or as a tenant.

PERSON — An individual, partnership, copartnership, firm, company, public or private corporation, association, joint stock company, trust, estate, political subdivision or any agency, board, department or bureau of the State or Federal Government or any other legal entity whatever which is recognized by law as the subject of rights and duties.

PROCESSING — Incinerating, composting, baling, shredding, salvaging, compacting and other processes whereby solid waste characteristics are modified or solid waste quantity is reduced.

PROHIBITED ITEMS — Items which are eliminated by State law from being disposed of in a solid waste disposal area including, but not limited to, major appliances, waste oil, lead acid batteries, waste tires and the like as the same may be now or hereafter defined by State law.

RESIDENTIAL SOLID WASTE — Solid waste resulting from the maintenance and operation of dwelling units.

SOLID WASTE — Garbage, refuse and other discarded materials including, but not limited to, solid and semi-solid waste materials resulting from industrial, commercial, agricultural, governmental and domestic activities, but does not include hazardous waste as defined in Sections 260.360 to 260.432, RSMo., recovered materials, overburden, rock, tailings, matte, slag or other waste material resulting from mining, milling or smelting.

SOLID WASTE CONTAINER — Receptacle used by any person to store solid waste during the interval between solid waste collections.

SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL AREA — Any area used for the disposal of solid waste from more than one (1) residential premises, or one (1) or more commercial, industrial, manufacturing, recreational, or governmental operations.

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM — The entire process of managing solid waste in a manner which minimizes the generation and subsequent disposal of solid waste, including waste reduction, source separation, collection, storage, transportation, recycling, resource recovery, volume minimization, processing, market development, and disposal of solid wastes.

STORAGE — Keeping, maintaining or storing solid waste from the time of its production until the time of its collection.

TRANSPORTATION — The transporting of solid waste from the place of collection or processing to a solid waste processing facility or solid waste disposal area.

YARD WASTES — Leaves, grass clippings, yard and garden vegetation and Christmas trees. The term does not include stumps, roots or shrubs with intact root balls.

Section 230.020. Solid Waste Storage. [R.O. 2011 §230.020; Ord. No. 230.020C, 6-30-2009]

A. The occupant of every dwelling unit and of every institutional, commercial or business,

industrial or agricultural establishment producing solid waste within the corporate limits of the City shall provide sufficient and adequate containers for the storage of all solid waste, except bulky rubbish and demolition and construction waste, to serve each such dwelling unit and/or establishment and to maintain such solid waste containers at all times in good repair.

- B. The occupant of every dwelling unit and of every institutional, commercial, business, industrial or agricultural establishment shall place all solid waste to be collected in proper solid waste containers and shall maintain such solid waste containers and the area surrounding them in a clean, neat and sanitary condition at all times. Accumulation of waste in suitable containers shall not be stored upon any site in the City for a period longer than ten (10) days.
- C. Residential solid waste shall be stored in containers of not more than thirty-nine (39) gallons nor less than twenty (20) gallons in nominal capacity, except that residential solid waste may be stored in trash bags of adequate strength in a size not to exceed fifty-five (55) gallons. All containers, including bags, shall be leak-proof and water-proof, fly-tight and properly covered, tied or enclosed, except when depositing waste therein or removing the contents thereof. Containers other than bags shall have handles, bails or other suitable lifting devices or features. Containers other than bags shall be of a type originally manufactured for residential solid waste, with tapered sides for easy emptying. They shall be of lightweight and sturdy construction. The weight of any individual container, including bags and its contents, shall not exceed seventy-five (75) pounds. Galvanized metal containers or rubber, fiberglass or plastic containers which do not become brittle in cold weather may be used in addition to bags. Disposable solid waste containers with suitable frames or containers as approved by the City may also be used for storage of residential solid waste. Galvanized metal containers or rubber, fiberglass or plastic containers with suitable frames or containers as approved by the City may also be used for storage of residential solid waste. If the City's contracted trash service provides its own trash can, that can does not have to comply with the above-stated container weight and size regulations.
- D. Commercial solid waste shall be stored in solid waste containers as approved by the Board. The containers shall be water-proof, leak-proof and shall be covered at all times except when depositing waste therein or removing the contents thereof and shall meet all requirements as set forth by Section 230.060.
- E. Solid waste containers which are not approved will be collected together with their contents and disposed of.

Section 230.030. Collection of Solid Waste.

- A. The City shall provide for the collection of solid waste as follows:
 - 1. *Collection of residential solid waste.* The City shall provide for the collection of residential solid waste in the City, provided however, that the City may provide the collection service by contracting with a person, County or other City or a combination thereof for the entire City or portions thereof as deemed to be in the best interests of the City.

2. *Other collections.* The City may, at its discretion, provide commercial solid waste collection services upon specific application of the owners or persons in charge thereof. However, in the event that such application is not made or approved, it shall be the duty of such establishment to provide for collection of all solid waste produced upon any such premises in a manner approved by City. If and when the City does provide commercial collection service, the provisions herein concerning such service shall apply.
- B. All solid waste from premises to which collection services are provided under contract with the City shall become the property of the collection agency upon being loaded into the transportation equipment.
 - C. Solid waste containers as required by this Chapter for the storage of residential solid waste shall be placed at curbside for collection but shall not be so placed until after 6:00 P.M. on the day next preceding the regularly scheduled collection day. Containers shall be removed from curbside no later than 8:00 P.M. on the day of collection. No alley service shall be allowed under the terms of this Chapter, except as approved by the Board of Aldermen.
 - D. Individuals desiring the collection of bulky rubbish shall deal directly with those licensed by the City for the collection of the same.
 - E. Solid waste collectors, employed by the City or a solid waste collection agency operating under contract with the City, are hereby authorized to enter upon private property for the purpose of collecting solid waste therefrom as required by this Chapter. Solid waste collectors shall not enter dwelling units or other residential buildings for the purpose of collecting residential solid waste.
 - F. It shall be the responsibility of the occupants of each dwelling unit to prepare, package and deliver solid waste to curbside for collection as prescribed in this Chapter and as it may be amended from time to time.
 - G. It shall be the responsibility of each commercial, industrial, institutional or other non-residential generator of solid waste to prepare, package and store solid waste so generated as prescribed by this Chapter and as it may be amended from time to time.
 - H. It shall be the responsibility of every solid waste collector to abide by this Chapter and receive and transport solid waste in a manner consistent with the provisions of this Chapter.
 - I. The following collection frequencies shall apply to collections of solid waste within the City: All residential solid waste, other than bulky rubbish, shall be collected at least once weekly. All commercial solid waste shall be collected once weekly and shall be collected at such lesser intervals as may be fixed by the Board upon a determination that such lesser intervals are necessary for the preservation of the health and/or safety of the public.
 - J. Residential solid waste containers shall be stored upon the residential premises. Except as provided in Subsection (C) hereof, all solid waste containers stored out-of-doors shall be stored behind any building located on the tract of land. Commercial solid waste containers shall remain in the location from which they are to be serviced except while being serviced.
 - K. All solid waste collectors operating under contract with the City or otherwise collecting solid waste within the City limits shall be responsible for the collected solid waste from the

point of collection to the point of disposal, provided the solid waste was stored in compliance with the applicable Sections of this Chapter. Any spillage or blowing litter caused as a result of the duties of the solid waste collector shall be collected and placed in the transportation vehicle by the solid waste collector.

- L. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation collecting and disposing of rubbish, garbage or waste material from premises in the residential districts or premises in any commercial district which abuts or adjoins a residential district in the City to make such collection or dispose of rubbish, garbage or waste materials between the hours of 9:00 P.M. and 7:00 A.M.

Section 230.040. Transportation of Solid Waste.

- A. All transportation vehicles shall be maintained in a safe, clean and sanitary condition and shall be so constructed, maintained and operated as to prevent spillage of solid waste therefrom. All vehicles to be used for transportation of solid waste shall be constructed with water-tight bodies and with covers which shall be an integral part of the vehicle or shall be a separate cover of suitable material with fasteners designed to secure all sides of the cover to the vehicle and shall be secured whenever the vehicle is transporting solid waste or, as an alternative, the entire bodies thereof shall be enclosed with only loading hoppers exposed. Provided however, other vehicles may be used to transport bulky rubbish which because of its size or weight is not susceptible to being loaded or unloaded in vehicles described above, but in no event shall such vehicles be operated without adequate cover or binding to prevent spillage or waste therefrom and in accordance with the rules and regulations made by the Board.
- B. Permits shall not be required for the removal, hauling or disposal of earth and rock material from grading or excavation activities. However, all such material shall be conveyed in tight vehicles, trucks or receptacles so constructed and maintained that none of the material being transported shall spill upon the public rights-of-way.
- C. Transportation and disposal of demolition and construction wastes shall be in accordance with this Section and Section 230.050.

Section 230.050. Disposal of Solid Waste.

- A. Solid wastes shall be deposited at a processing facility or disposal area approved by the City and complying with all requirements of the Missouri Solid Waste Management Law, Sections 260.200 to 260.255, RSMo., and the rules and regulations adopted thereunder. The City may designate the processing or disposal facility to be utilized by persons holding permits under this Chapter.
- B. The Board may classify certain wastes as hazardous wastes which will require special handling and shall be disposed of only in a manner acceptable to the Board which will meet all local, State and Federal regulations.

Section 230.060. Rules and Regulations.

- A. The Board may make, amend, revoke and enforce reasonable and necessary rules and

regulations governing, but not limited to:

1. Preparation, drainage and wrapping of garbage deposited in solid waste containers.
 2. Specifications for solid waste containers including the type, composition, equipment, size and shape thereof.
 3. Identification of solid waste containers, and of the covers thereof, and of equipment thereto appertaining, if any.
 4. Weight limitations on the combined weight of solid waste containers and the contents thereof, and weight and size limitations on bundles of solid waste too large for solid waste containers.
 5. Storage of solid waste in solid waste containers.
 6. Sanitation, maintenance and replacement of solid waste containers.
 7. Schedules of and routes for collection and transportation of solid waste.
 8. Collection points of solid waste containers.
 9. Collection, transportation, processing and disposal of solid waste.
 10. Processing facilities and fees for the use thereof.
 11. Disposal facilities and fees for the use thereof.
 12. Records of quantity and type of wastes received at processing and/or disposal facilities.
 13. Handling of special wastes such as toxic wastes, sludge, ashes, agriculture, construction, bulky items, tires, automobiles, oils, greases, etc.
- B. The City Clerk or such other City Official who is responsible for preparing utility or other service charge billings for the City is hereby authorized to make and promulgate reasonable and necessary rules and regulations for the billing and collection of solid waste collection and/or disposal service charges, as hereinafter provided for, subject to the approval of the Board.
- C. A copy of any and all rules and regulations made and promulgated under the provisions hereof shall be filed in the office of the City Clerk of the City.

Section 230.070. Prohibited Practices.

- A. It shall be unlawful for any person to:
1. Deposit solid waste in any solid waste container other than his/her own without the written consent of the owner of such container and/or with the intent of avoiding payment of the service charge hereinafter provided for solid waste collection and disposal.
 2. Interfere in any manner with solid waste collection and transportation equipment or with solid waste collectors in the lawful performance of their duties as such, whether

such equipment or collectors shall be those of the City, those of a solid waste collection agency operating under contract with the City, or any duly licensed collector.

3. Dispose of solid waste at any facility or location which is not approved by the City and the Missouri Division of Health.
4. Dispose of any yard waste in any solid waste container.
5. Engage in the business of collecting, transporting, processing or disposing of solid waste within the corporate limits of the City without a permit from the City, or operate under an expired permit, or operate after a permit has been suspended or revoked.

Section 230.080. Bonds.

The Board may require performance or payment bonds of any solid waste collection agency prior to issuing permits to so operate.

Section 230.090. Service Charges. [R.O. 2011 §230.100; Ord. No. 230.100, 9-20-2007]

- A. There is hereby imposed for the collection and disposal of solid wastes and for the improvement of the general public and environment, a service charge for each dwelling unit to which such service shall be provided under the provisions of this Chapter. Said service charge shall be the amount charged by the service contractor per dwelling unit, plus an administrative fee of fifty cents (\$.50) per dwelling unit.
- B. The system of services established by the provisions of this Chapter hereof is designated as an integral part of the City's program of health, sanitation and general welfare to be operated as an adjunct to the City's system for providing all manner of utilities services. The City may enforce collection of such charges by bringing proper legal action against the occupant of the premises which has received such services to recover any sums due for such services plus a reasonable attorney's fee to be fixed by the court, plus the cost of such action.
- C. The service charge herein provided for is hereby imposed upon the occupant of each occupied dwelling unit and the billing therefor shall be made to the person contracting for City utilities of any kind to each such dwelling unit. In the event a dwelling unit is not serviced by City utilities or in the absence of information that such person is neither the owner or the tenant of such dwelling unit, then billing therefor shall be made to the owner. Service charges shall be payable to the City of Puxico, Missouri.
- D. The City shall include the foregoing service charge on its utility bill as a separate charge, which shall be paid on or before the tenth (10th) of the following month.
- E. The City shall provide any contractor hereunder with a monthly statement showing the number of dwelling units, together with all additions and deletions.