

TITLE 17

REFUSE AND TRASH DISPOSAL¹

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17-101. Refuse defined. Refuse shall mean and include garbage, rubbish, leaves, brush, and refuse as those terms are generally defined except that dead animals and fowls, body wastes, hot ashes, rocks, concrete, bricks, and similar materials are expressly excluded therefrom and shall not be stored therewith. (1979 Code, § 8-201)

17-102. Premises to be kept clean. All persons within the municipality are required to keep their premises in a clean and sanitary condition, free from accumulations of refuse except when stored as provided in this chapter. (1979 Code, § 8-202)

17-103. Storage. Each owner, occupant, or other responsible person using or occupying any building or other premises within this municipality where refuse accumulates or is likely to accumulate, shall provide and keep covered an adequate number of refuse containers. The refuse containers shall be strong, durable, and rodent and insect proof. They shall each have a capacity

¹Municipal code reference

Property maintenance regulations: title 13.

of not less than twenty (20) nor more than thirty-two (32) gallons, except that this maximum capacity shall not apply to larger containers which the municipality handles mechanically. Furthermore, except for containers which the municipality handles mechanically, the combined weight of any refuse container and its contents shall not exceed seventy-five (75) pounds. No refuse shall be placed in a refuse container until such refuse has been drained of all free liquids. Tree trimmings, hedge clippings, and similar materials shall be cut to a length not to exceed four (4) feet and shall be securely tied in individual bundles weighing not more than seventy-five (75) pounds each and being not more than two (2) feet thick before being deposited for collection. (1979 Code, § 8-203)

17-104. Location of containers. Where alleys are used by the municipal refuse collectors, containers shall be placed on or within six (6) feet of the alley line in such a position as not to intrude upon the traveled portion of the alley. Where streets are used by the municipal refuse collectors, containers shall be placed adjacent to and back of the curb, or adjacent to and back of the ditch or street line if there be no curb, at such times as shall be scheduled by the municipality for the collection of refuse therefrom. As soon as practicable after such containers have been emptied they shall be removed by the owner to within, or to the rear of, his premises and away from the street line until the next scheduled time for collection. (1979 Code, § 8-204)

17-105. Disturbing containers. No unauthorized person shall uncover, rifle, pilfer, dig into, turn over, or in any other manner disturb or use any refuse container belonging to another. This section shall not be construed to prohibit the use of public refuse containers for their intended purpose. (1979 Code, § 8-205)

17-106. Collection. All refuse accumulated within the corporate limits shall be collected, conveyed, and disposed of under the supervision of such officer as the governing body shall designate. Collections shall be made regularly in accordance with an announced schedule. (1979 Code, § 8-206)

17-107. Collection vehicles. The collection of refuse shall be by means of vehicles with beds constructed of impervious materials which are easily cleanable and so constructed that there will be no leakage of liquids draining from the refuse onto the streets and alleys. Furthermore, all refuse collection vehicles shall utilize closed beds or such coverings as will effectively prevent the scattering of refuse over the streets or alleys. (1979 Code, § 8-207)

17-108. Disposal. The disposal of refuse in any quantity by any person in any place, public or private, other than at the site or sites designated for

refuse disposal by the governing body is expressly prohibited. (1979 Code, § 8-208)

17-109. Placing unseparated garbage in containers designated for recyclable materials prohibited. It shall be unlawful fo place unseparated household garbage into any container designated for the sole purpose of receiving separated recyclable materials.

Punishment, upon conviction shall be a five hundred (\$500) dollar fine plus court cost and or twenty (20) hours of community service. (Ord. #95-2, May 1995)

CHAPTER 2

RESIDENTIAL GARBAGE SERVICES USER FEES

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17-201. Fees established, definition, collection rules and regulations.

17-202. Penalty for non payment.

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(1) There is hereby established a residential garbage service user fee to be charged to and collected from each household in the City of Caryville, Tennessee on a monthly basis.

(2) Household is defined, for the purpose of this section, as all residential living units within the City of Caryville, whether occupied or not, to which garbage and refuse pick up service is furnished by the City of Caryville, and available for use, whether utilized or not, and for which pick up service is not otherwise required to be provided as a commercial unit (or apartment development in excess of six (6) units).

(3) The residential garbage service user fee is established at the rate of twelve dollars (\$12.00) per month per residential household or apartment unit. The fee will not exceed twelve dollars (\$12.00) per month.

(4) The city recorder is authorized and directed to institute collection mechanisms, rules, and regulations and means as shall be deemed by the city recorder to be efficient, appropriate and expedient to effect collections.

(5) In the event a real property tax should be enacted, this ordinance will be abolished. (as added by Ord. #2005-05, Jan. 2006, and amended by Ord. #2009-02, June 2009)

17-202. Penalty for non payment. (1) It is unlawful to refuse or neglect to pay the monthly residential garbage service user fee when billed. Each user shall be given ten (10) days from the billing date to make payment to the city.

(2) Each thirty (30) day period that the service fee remains unpaid shall subject the owner or the tenant, whichever is the user, to a separate fifty dollar (\$50.00) civil fine for nonpayment. (as added by Ord. #2005-05, Jan. 2006)