

TITLE 17

REFUSE AND TRASH DISPOSAL¹

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17-101. Garbage and refuse collection. The City of Waynesboro, Tennessee, shall hereafter provide to its residents a service of garbage/refuse collection. All individuals, firms, or corporations located within the City Limits of Waynesboro shall be required to make use of such service. (1995 Code, § 17-101)

17-102. Customer classifications. The following definitions shall apply to the type of service to be provided to the residents of Waynesboro. Such definitions of customer service shall additionally determine the fee structure applicable to each firm, individual, or corporation. The following definitions are provided:

(1) "Bin/container collection." Any retail, service, professional, industrial and commercial establishment located within the corporate limits of the City of Waynesboro generating an equivalent of more than ten (10), thirty (30) gallon bags of refuse/garbage per week shall be required to be collected

¹Municipal code reference

Property maintenance regulations: title 13.

through the use of bins/containers. Monthly fees for service shall be based upon a standardized rate system that depends upon the weekly volume of refuse collected, the frequency of collection and the number of bins/containers needed to service the customer.

(2) "Residential unit." A standard detached or attached single family dwelling unit located within the corporate limits of the City of Waynesboro. Such unit is occupied by a family or group of individuals not to exceed twelve in number. Apartments, mobile homes, or condominiums whether of single or multi story construction, consisting of twenty-four (24) or less contiguous or separate units shall be considered for billing purposes as single dwelling units and billed accordingly. Residential dwelling units shall be limited to a maximum weekly volume of five (5), thirty (30) gallon bags or equivalent per unit for collection purposes.

(3) "Singular person residential." The same definition of a "residential" dwelling unit defined above except that such unit shall house only one (1) occupant. Individuals declaring such status shall be required to sign and file necessary documentation for status certification declared necessary by the City of Waynesboro. Singular person residential dwelling units shall be limited to a maximum weekly volume of two (2), thirty (30) gallon bags or equivalent per unit for collection purposes.

(4) "Small business." Retail, service, professional, industrial and commercial establishments located within the corporate limits of the City of Waynesboro generating no more than an equivalent of ten (10), thirty (30) gallon bags of garbage/refuse per week. Such customers may elect to have bin/container collection solely at their discretion and cost. (1995 Code, § 17-102)

17-103. Monthly rates and collection rates. (1) The schedule of rates and charges shall be established by resolution of the city commission.

(2) **Method of charging and billing fees.** All refuse/garbage collection and disposal charges shall be billed through the city's present water and sewer billing department. The collection shall be due and payable on the same date as the water and/or sewer billings are due. The fees¹ fixed under the terms and provisions of this chapter shall be directed to the property owner, occupant or lessee of the premises. Water service may be discontinued for failure to pay the collection service fee. Any person making application for water service shall be deemed to have applied for refuse/garbage collection service and shall be considered a customer of the refuse/garbage collection service until such times as water service to such individual has been discontinued. (1995 Code, § 17-103)

¹Charges for service, as listed in Ord. #801, Sept. 2014, and any amendments thereto, may be found in the office of the recorder.

17-104. Collection service standards. (1) Residential, singular person residential and small business. (a) Mandatory bag required. All trash, rubbish, grass, yard clippings, refuse or garbage shall be placed and enclosed in a fastened plastic garbage bag or trash bag as commonly sold in retail stores. All bags shall be of a size of less than thirty (30) gallons or equivalent and so loaded as to prevent the bag from bursting. The contents of all bags shall be so protected in a manner that will prevent wind from blowing and scattering trash over adjacent public and private property and will prevent animal intrusion.

(b) Collection of tree limbs, bulky objects, white goods, etc. The collection of tree trimmings, appliances, furniture and bulky objects shall occur during the days established for residential refuse collection. Tree trimmings, loose materials and other such materials must be bagged, bundled or placed in a disposable container in lots not to exceed thirty (30) pounds in weight and not to exceed four feet (4') in length.

(c) Mandatory curbside collection required. Each receptacle, bag, bundle or object for collection shall be placed at the curbside for collection. Curbside refers to that portion of right of way adjacent to paved or traveled city roadways. Such items shall be placed as close to the roadway as practical without interfering with or endangering the movement of vehicles or pedestrians. The City of Waynesboro acting through its official representatives shall make the final determination of the point of collection.

(2) Bin/container collection. (a) Individual agreement with each customer. The City of Waynesboro shall provide a bin/container collection system for non residential customers generating an equivalent of more than ten (10), thirty (30) gallon bags of refuse per week. The city shall contract with each customer in an attempt to provide adequate services. The city reserves the right to increase the number of containers and/or the frequency of collection for the individual customer in order to protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the community and to bill the customer for such changes in services accordingly.

(b) Waste not contained in dumpster/bin. All refuse/garbage generated by the customer must be contained in the bin/container provided by the city. The City of Waynesboro shall not assume any responsibility for the collection and disposal of any waste, refuse or garbage not placed in bin/container.

(c) Location of bin/containers. Bins/containers shall be placed so that they are readily accessible in all weather conditions at the outside location, on a hard surface in accordance with the individual customer's agreement. The city may refuse to collect bins/containers not so placed. The customer shall be responsible for properly maintaining the drive or accessway required to access the bin/containers.

(3) Wastes generated by contractor for hire. Waste and refuse generated by contractors for hire, including but not limited to: construction, remodeling, repair, tree trimming, tree removal, debris removal, razing, land clearing, roofing, appliance repair and installation, will not be collected in accordance with the provisions of this chapter. Disposal of wastes/garbage/refuse generated by a contractor for hire will be collected only at a pre-negotiated rate with the city or at the individual responsibility of the contractor. Contractors shall be fully and legally responsible for any refuse, garbage, or waste not collected and disposed of by the City of Waynesboro. (1995 Code, § 17-104)

17-105. Removal or collection by unauthorized individuals. The removal of refuse/garbage by any individual, firm, or corporation, except as specified in § 17-104, other than the City of Waynesboro, or its authorized agents is strictly prohibited. (1995 Code, § 17-105)

17-106. Unauthorized use of bin/container. The placement of refuse/garbage in a collection bin/container without the express permission of the contracted customer is prohibited. (1995 Code, § 17-106)

17-107. Collection of non-resident refuse/garbage. The placement for collection of any non-resident refuse/garbage within the City of Waynesboro, is prohibited. (1995 Code, § 17-107)

17-108. Movement of refuse from one premises to another. The relocation or movement of refuse from one premises to another premises for collection purposes is prohibited. (1995 Code, § 17-108)

17-109. Establishment of collection routes and days. The City of Waynesboro shall establish routes and days for collection services. The city shall inform the general public of any changes in collection routes and/or days through a notice published in a newspaper of local circulation. Such notice shall be published a minimum of ten days before the implementation of proposed change. (1995 Code, § 17-109)

17-110. Collection during specific holidays. Refuse/garbage collection will not be performed on the established holidays. Routes not collected on these holidays will be rescheduled for collection either immediately before or after the respective holiday. Customers shall be informed of collection change resulting from the observation of a holiday by newspaper notice. (1995 Code, § 17-110)

17-111. Hours and days of collection. Refuse/garbage collection will not commence before the hour of 7:00 A.M. nor continue after 6:00 P.M., Monday through Saturday. (1995 Code, § 17-111)

17-112. Violations and penalty. Any person, firm or corporation failing to meet or violating the provisions of this chapter shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be fined a sum of not less than five dollars (\$5.00) nor more than fifty dollars (\$50.00) and each day of violation shall constitute a separate offense. (1995 Code, § 17-112)