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SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL  
Snohomish County, Washington

ORDINANCE NO. 25-027

RELATING TO THE SOLID WASTE SERVICE FEE SCHEDULE AND CHARGES FOR  
SECURED LOADS; AMENDING CHAPTER 7.41 SCC

BE IT ORDAINED:

Section 1. Snohomish County Code Section 7.41.020, last amended by  
Amended Ordinance No. 22-068, on December 14, 2022, is amended to read:

**7.41.020 Solid waste service fee schedule.**

(1) All persons using a county owned and operated solid waste disposal system facility shall pay the service fees set forth in the solid waste service fee schedule or waste export service fee schedule. The solid waste service fee schedule and any revisions to the service fee schedule shall be prepared by the director and submitted to the county council for approval by motion. The solid waste service fee schedule will be based on full cost recovery standards. Listed fees are subject to applicable taxes. The director shall, at the time of payment, round the total service fees and taxes owing up to the nearest whole dollar when any fraction of a dollar owing is \$0.50 or greater, and round the total service fees and taxes owing down to the nearest whole dollar when any fraction of a dollar owing is less than \$0.50.

(2) Service fees for solid waste disposal shall be based upon measured weights whenever possible. In the absence of weight information, service fees shall be based upon the cubic yard or as otherwise defined in the solid waste service fee schedule. All vehicles shall be charged at least a minimum fee regardless of weight or volume, as established in the solid waste service fee schedule.

(3) In the absence of exact measurements of weight or quantity, the estimate of the director shall be final and binding on the user.

(4) Service fees do not apply to specific source separated recyclable materials accepted by county owned and operated solid waste disposal system facilities for recycling, except for those materials for which specific fees have been designated in the established solid waste service fee schedule.

(5) All users of the vector decant facility will establish a credit account with the solid waste management division in accordance with the provisions of SCC 7.41.030. Cash will not be accepted at this facility.

(6) There is no service fee for the disposal of household generated hazardous waste from Snohomish County residents residing in unincorporated Snohomish County or in

municipal corporations situated within Snohomish County that enter into or maintain interlocal agreements with the county for the purpose of disposing of solid waste generated and collected therein.

~~((7) Service fees for certified scale weights will be as established in the solid waste service fee schedule.))~~

~~((8)))~~ (7) Operators of reclamation sites that qualify to directly ship residual waste to an intermodal facility under the provisions of SCC 7.35.125 shall pay the service fees set forth in the ~~((solid waste))~~ waste export service fee schedule.

(8) Except as provided in SCC 7.35.165 and 7.41.042, beginning January 1, 2026, and ending December 31, 2026, waste export service fees shall be as follows:

<b>Waste Export Service</b>	<b>Fee</b>
<u>Solid Waste (Self-Haul) based on weight at Transfer Stations (per ton) (plus Solid Waste Collection Tax)</u>	<u>\$ 160.00</u>
<u>Solid Waste (Self-Haul) Minimum Fee at Transfer Stations (up to 360 pounds) (Fee includes applicable Solid Waste Collection Tax)</u>	<u>\$ 30.00</u>
<u>Solid Waste (G-Certificated Haulers) based on weight at Transfer Stations (per ton)</u>	<u>\$ 149.00</u>
<u>Solid Waste (Self-Haul) at Drop Box Sites (per cubic yard) (Fee includes applicable Solid Waste Collection Tax)</u>	<u>\$ 30.00</u>
<u>Solid Waste (Self-Haul) Minimum Fee at Drop Box Sites (up to 1 cubic yard) (Fee includes applicable Solid Waste Collection Tax)</u>	<u>\$ 30.00</u>
<u>Vactor Waste (per load) (plus Solid Waste Collection Tax)</u>	<u>\$ 598.00</u>
<u>Residual Reclamation Waste (RRW) delivered to Intermodal Facility (per ton) (plus Solid Waste Collection Tax)</u>	<u>\$ 104.00</u>
<u>Residual Reclamation Waste (RRW) Minimum Fee (up to 23 tons per container) (plus Solid Waste Collection Tax)</u>	<u>\$ 2,392.00</u>
<u>Hard to handle waste (per ton) (plus Solid Waste Collection Tax)</u>	<u>\$ 250.00</u>

(9) Except as provided in SCC 7.35.165 and 7.41.042, beginning January 1, 2027, and annually thereafter, the fees in the waste export service fee schedule shall be the fees from the previous year increased by three percent.

Section 2. Snohomish County Code Section 7.41.042, is amended to read:

**7.41.042 Secured loads – Additional charge.**

All loads arriving at any county solid waste facility shall be covered or secured so as to prevent any solid waste being transported from unintentionally falling or being blown out of the vehicle.

(1) After ~~((June 30, 1994))~~, January 1, 2026, any vehicle arriving at a solid waste facility which contains waste that is not covered or secured shall be charged an additional fee as follows:

(a) for vehicles with gross vehicle weights up to and including 8,000 pounds, the additional charge shall be ~~(((\$5.00))~~ \$20.00.

(b) for vehicles with gross vehicle weights over 8,000 pounds, the additional charge shall be ~~(((\$10.00))~~ \$25.00.

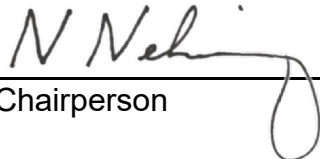
~~(((2) Until June 30, 1994, the operator of any vehicle meeting the conditions described in (1)(a) or (b) of this section shall be issued a written warning alerting the operator to the requirements of this section.))~~

~~(((3)))~~ (2) All monies collected under this section shall be placed in an unsecured loads additional charge account.


~~(((4)))~~ (3) The unsecured loads additional charge account shall be disbursed no less often than quarterly and shall be used by the solid waste management division only for the purposes of reducing and remediating littering and illegal dumping.

PASSED this 4<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2025.

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Deputy Clerk of the Council

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/s/ Sean Reay  
Deputy Prosecuting Attorney