

A BYLAW TO REGULATE THE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF WASTE WITHIN THE MUNICIPAL BOUNDARIES OF THE TOWN OF ECKVILLE, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, AND TO SET THE RATES THEREOF.

WHEREAS, under the authority of the Municipal Government Act, being Chapter M-26 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta, 1980, and amendments thereto, the Council of the Town of Eckville deem it advisable to regulate waste collection and disposal.

NOW THEREFORE, COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ECKVILLE, DULY ASSEMBLED, ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. The system for collection, removal and disposal of ashes, garbage, refuse and waste material accumulated within the corporate limits of the Town of Eckville shall be operated in the manner herein set forth.
2. **DEFINITIONS**
For the purpose of this Bylaw the following terms, phrases, words and their derivatives shall have the meanings given herein. When no inconsistent with the context, words used in the present tense include the future, words in the plural number include the singular, and words in the singular number include the plural. The word "shall" is always mandatory and not merely directory.
 - a) ashes mean the residue and cinders from any substance used for fuel, but does not include such residue as may accumulate as a result of building operations.
 - b) collection area means the location within the corporate limits of the Town of Eckville from which garbage of waste collection shall be made.
 - c) commercial property means a café or restaurant, hospital, nursing home, school, recreation center, warehouse, wholesale or retail business place, office building or premises except a dwelling or multiple family dwelling.
 - d) council means the municipal Council of the Town of Eckville.
 - e) dwelling means any building or place occupied or used as an abode or residence or place of living by not more than two families (including mobile homes). A duplex shall be considered two dwelling units.
 - f) garbage means all putrescent material including condemned meats, fish, fruits and vegetables resulting from the handling, preparation, cooking and consumption of food.
 - g) garbage can or receptacle means either a large bin or the small tote both supplied by the Town of Eckville.
 - h) industrial properties means places that carry on one or more of the following activities: the

manufacturing, processing, assembling, cleaning, repairing, servicing, testing, storage, warehousing distribution or transshipment of materials, goods, products, or equipment.

- i) institutional means places where the occupants sojourn for limited periods, including, but not limited to, senior citizens' residences and hospitals.
- j) multiple family dwellings means a building or buildings which are intended to be occupied as a residence by more than two tenants living independently of one another into the same or a separate building, and shall include apartments, hotels, motels, boarding and rooming houses, and row housing and also includes any room or suite of rooms in any building containing any commercial premises.
- k) person means any person, firm, partnership, association, corporation, company or organization of any kind.
- l) refuse means all putrescible and nonputrescible solid wastes including broken dishes, rags, cast off clothing, excelsior, food containers, grass cuttings which should be bagged if the Town staff are to pick it up; if not, grass and garden waste should be emptied into the compost pile. Other materials that fall under the refuse category are as follows: shrubbery and tree pruning, weeds and garden waste which should be bagged and thrown into the garbage bins, but does not include material from the work of constructing, repairing, decorating, clearing, or grading a building or premises, manure, night soil, tree stumps, roots, turf, earth or such waste as may accumulate as a result of building operations.
- m) school means an institution used for the education of 50 students or more. If a school has more than 1,000 students, it shall be classified as two schools for garbage billing purposes.
- n) street means any public roadway used by waste collection vehicles to gain access to the boundary of a private property from which garbage or refuse is being collected.
- o) town means the municipal corporation of the Town of Eckville.

3. GENERAL COLLECTION

- a) Refuse from the work of constructing, repairing, decorating, clearing, or grading a building or premises shall be the responsibility of the owner, renter or contractor to have removed at his/her own expense.
- b) No waste shall be collected from any building which is owned by the Provincial or Federal Governments and is exempt from municipal taxation, unless the Government or its agency pays to the Town the rates in effect for garbage collection services.
- c) Town Council shall ensure that the equipment for waste collection and the manner in which waste is collected and disposed of within the Town of Eckville shall comply with the regulations of the Alberta Board of Health.
- d) The Town may enter into a contract with any person for the collection of the whole or a portion of the ashes, garbage, and refused accumulated within the Town limits.

4. WASTE RECEPTACLES

- a) The owner of every multiple family dwelling and the owner of every commercial premise shall use the bin supplied by the Town of Eckville.
- b) Every householder, proprietor, or other person shall dispose of garbage upon the premises owned or occupied by him/her by placing or causing the same to be placed in a garbage can maintained for that purpose, or in such other container as specifically permitted by this Bylaw, but not elsewhere.
- c) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Bylaw, plastic bags of the type designed for the disposal of domestic refuse may be used for the disposal of garbage under the following conditions:
 - i) Plastic bags containing garbage shall be placed in a garbage receptacle.
 - ii) Plastic bags containing garbage shall be in good repair, and securely closed except when garbage is placed therein.
 - iii) Plastic bags, when filled, shall weigh not more than 30 pounds.
- d) All waste material shall be drained and wrapped and no liquid waste shall be disposed of in the container described and/or bagged and sealed in plastic garbage bags.
- e) Every householder or proprietor of premises from which ashes or refuse is to be collected shall wrap clippings from lawns, shrubs, trees in bundles, garbage bags or boxes and place them at the back of their own property where there is an alley, or otherwise at the curb. The weight of each bundle, etc., not to exceed thirty-five (35) pounds.
- f) No person shall fill a garbage receptacle to a greater height than within two inches from the top thereof or with material of such weight the combined weight of the receptacle and contents exceed thirty-five (35) pounds.
- g) Where any premises are served by a lane, all garbage from such premises shall be placed at a location within five (5) feet of such lane, but not in a lane and shall be easily accessible by the collector.
- h) Where any premises are not served by a lane, all garbage receptacles from such premises shall be placed for collection at a location as close as possible to the traveled portion of the adjacent street, but not on a sidewalk or in such a location as to interfere in any way with vehicle or pedestrian traffic and shall be accessible by the collector.
- i) No person shall directly or otherwise dispose of or permit any person to dispose of any explosive, inflammable, volatile, noxious, dangerous device, substance or thing in any garbage receptacle.
- j) No person shall directly or otherwise dispose of or permit any person to dispose of any hot

ashes, burning matter, or unwrapped wet garbage in any garbage can.

5. GARBAGE COLLECTION

- a) Ashes, garbage, and refuse shall be collected a minimum of one day a week in residential areas and three days a week in commercial and industrial areas (every seven days) excluding holidays, or more often as Council so directs. For the purposes of performing their duties, any collector or inspector shall have the right to enter premises and yards at all convenient times between the hours of 8:00 am and 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday.
- b) No person other than the owners or occupants or those appointed by the owners or by the Council to collect waste shall interfere with or disturb the contents of any receptacle or other waste placed for collection.
- c) Except on collection day, all garbage cans shall be kept and maintained on the premises of the householder or proprietor, and any garbage can located on any street or lane in the Town other than on collection day may be removed and disposed of at the discretion of Council or their designated Agents without compensation to the owner thereof.
- d) No garbage collection shall be made from the inside of the dwelling or from the basement or upper floors of any multiple dwelling or commercial premises.
- e) The Town shall not be required to remove any waste material from any receptacle which, with its contents, exceeds thirty-five (35) pounds in weight.
- f) Except as otherwise specifically provided in this Bylaw, the collection, removal, and disposal of garbage shall be under the supervision of the Council or their designated agents.
- g) The Town will not be responsible for picking up loose ashes or hot ashes.
- h) No vehicle, conveyance or container shall be used for conveyance or storage of waste unless such vehicle, conveyance or container is fitted with suitable cover capable of preventing the dropping, spilling or blowing off of waste while it is being transported or stored.

6. SPRING OR FALL CLEAN-UPS

- a) Council may, at any time, call for spring and fall clean-ups for special occasions.
- b) The Town, at no extra charge to the residents, will provide these extra pick-ups where the provisions of this Bylaw are met: bagging, boxing, bundling, etc.
- c) Residents will be so advised of the special pick-ups by insertion of advice in the local newspaper at least one week prior to the dates.

7. BURNING

- a) No person shall burn or attempt to burn any garbage or refuse within the Town except

where permitted to do so by special permit issued by the Town of Eckville Fire Chief.

8. CHARGES AND RATES

- a) Every person, firm or corporation being an occupant, registered owner, or purchaser entitled to possession under an agreement for sale of property which is served by scavenging services of the Town of Eckville shall pay to the Town the scavenging charges for the collection, removal and disposal of ashes, garbage and refuse as set forth in Schedule "A" attached to this Bylaw.
- b) All accounts with the Town of Eckville shall become due and payable in the same manner as the Water and Sewer Services bill with the Garbage Service being added to the said Water and Sewer bill.
- c) Payment shall be made at the Town Office during regular office hours or may be made by mail.
- d) That the garbage service charges shall:
 - i) be a debt recoverable by action and/or,
 - ii) be recoverable by distress upon and seizure of the goods and chattels of either the property owner or purchaser of the property and/or,
 - iii) be a lien upon the land served and subject to the said penalties and collectible in the same manner as taxes.
- e) Any future changes in the charges and rates shall be amendments to Schedule "A" of this Bylaw.

This Bylaw shall come into effect on January 1, 1989

INTRODUCED AND GIVEN first reading this 14th day of November, 1998.

GIVEN second reading this 14th day of November, 1998.

GIVEN third and final reading this 28th day of November, 1998.

Mayor

Municipal Administrator

TOWN OF ECKVILLE
GARBAGE BYLAW

BYLAW 687/08

A BYLAW OF THE TOWN OF ECKVILLE IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBRTA TO AMEND THE GARBAGE BYLAW OF THE SAID TOWN OF ECKVILLE KNOWN AS BYLAW 539/88.

WHEREAS it is deemed necessary and expedient to amend the present Garbage Bylaw 539/88, and,

Pursuant to the provisions of the Municipal Government Act, being Chapter M-26 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta, 2000, and amendments thereto, the Council of the Town of Eckville duly assembled enacts as follows:

1. That "Schedule A-Amendment 2008" be rescinded and replaced with "Schedule A - Amendment 2009" attached to and forming part of this Bylaw and Bylaw 539/88.
2. That this bylaw shall come into effect on the first day of January, 2009.
3. That Bylaw 675/08 thereto is hereby repealed.

Read a first time this 8th day of December, 2008.

Read a second time this 8th day of December, 2008.

Read a third and final time this 8th day of December, 2008.

Mayor

Administrator

SCHEDULE "A"
AMENDMENT 2009

GARBAGE COLLECTION
RATE AND FEE STRUCTURE

BASE RATEMONTHLY RATEResidential:

1.	Dwelling: single family	20.50
2.	Duplexes: each unit	20.50
3.	Multi-family Dwellings: each unit	20.50
4.	Manufactured Home Parks: per unit	20.50
5.	Institutional, Non-private Seniors' homes:	
	a) weekly pick up	29.55
	b) weekly multiple pick up	88.65

Non - Residential:

1.	weekly pick up	29.55
2.	weekly multiple pick up	88.65

PAYMENT DUE DATE

1. All accounts are due and payable upon receipt of invoice.