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GARBAGE COLLECTION SERVICES

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Policy Statement

Lacombe County recognizes that regular garbage pickup service may be required in some communities, hamlet and residential subdivisions in order to minimize health, safety and general nuisance hazards from garbage that is not properly disposed of.

Guidelines / Procedures

- 1. The provision of garbage collection service will only be considered on a cost recovery basis. Recovery costs shall include the cost to provide the service, cost to administer the services and the cost to collect user fees.
- 2. Where 75% of the residents in a community, hamlet, residential subdivision or other grouping of residences support a garbage collection service, Lacombe County may provide garbage collection services. The community is responsible for providing evidence that 75% of the residents support a garbage collection service.
- 3. When a garbage collection service is implemented in a community, hamlet, residential subdivision or other grouping of residences residents who signed up for the service will be required to participate in and pay for the service.
- 4. Where a garbage collection service is offered residents will have the option of selecting the service on a seasonal basis (defined as May through to September) or on a yearly basis.
- 5. Option to #4 & 5 Where a garbage collection service is offered those residents who wish to access garbage collection service must sign up for the service on a seasonal (defined as May through to September) or on a yearly basis.
- 6. If an owner or occupant wishes to access the service on a seasonal basis they will be required to pay for the service for the entire season in advance.
- 7. If an owner or occupant wishes to access the service on a year basis they will be required to pay for the service on a quarterly basis in advance.
- 8. Garbage collection service will be provided once per week at a time and day determined by the County
- 9. The owner or occupant of a dwelling is responsible to provide a secure garbage container of a sufficient number and size to hold seven (7) days of waste.

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10. Garbage collection is limited to the collection of normal household waste. The following wastes will not be accepted as part of the garbage collection service:

- ✓ Dead animals or dead fowl
- ✓ Grain, seed, feed, hay straw or manure
- ✓ Automobiles, machinery, equipment, tanks, vessels or portions thereof that are too large to be placed in a secure garbage container
- ✓ Sewage effluent or sewage solids
- ✓ Hazardous waste or industrial waste
- ✓ Biological or pathological waste
- ✓ Radioactive waste
- ✓ Construction materials
- ✓ Scrap tires
- ✓ Dry rubble such as mattresses, chesterfields old televisions
- ✓ Any waste in the judgment of the service provider should be rejected by reason of (a) unknown content that could be a hazard or (b) a type of material or a size that is not practical or possible to process though the compactor, or in the garbage truck and that is not acceptable in other on-site transfer station facilities.
- 11. Pursuant to Bylaw # 5-90 garbage collection services will be provided to every household within the Hamlet of Mirror.

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