



BALDWIN COUNTY COMMISSION

POLICY #7.6	
Subject	Solid Waste Residential Garbage Deposit Fee Solid Waste Residential Garbage Service Rates Solid Waste Residential Garbage Account Late Fees
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POLICY STATEMENT

This policy provides for the establishment of a Solid Waste Residential Garbage Deposit Fee and, furthermore, codifies said Deposit Fee requirement with the current Solid Waste Residential Garbage Service Rates and Late Fees for the Solid Waste Residential Accounts. This policy will also include all Solid Waste Collection Exemptions for reference. (See Resolution #2013-036, May 21, 2013, regular meeting.)

PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENT

Deposit Fee

Beginning December 4, 2012, Baldwin County Solid Waste shall require a Thirty Dollar (\$30.00) deposit fee for each new solid waste residential account.

Garbage Service Rates

Residential Garbage Collection			
Service Type	Monthly Rate	Quarterly Rate	Annual Rate
1 x Week Pickup with BCSW Cart	\$ 16.00	\$ 48.00	\$ 192.00
1 x Week Pickup with Two (2) BCSW Carts	\$ 21.00	\$ 63.00	\$ 252.00
2 x Week Pickup* with BCSW Cart	\$ 32.00	\$ 96.00	\$ 384.00
* Service Not Available in All Areas			
2 x Week Pickup Required in Planning District 24 and 25, see chart below for rental properties	\$ 32.00	\$ 96.00	\$ 384.00
Seasonal Service			\$ 96.00
Additional Services			
Back Door Pick-Up/Private Drive	\$ 12.00	\$ 36.00	\$ 144.00
Shared Private Drive	\$ 4.00	\$ 12.00	\$ 48.00
Other Fees			
Cart Rental	\$ 5.00	\$ 15.00	\$ 60.00

Solid Waste Seasonal Rate

The Baldwin County Commission offers one seasonal rate to any homeowner whose secondary residence is occupied seasonally. This rate will be \$96.00 per year. Rental Property in Baldwin County will not be considered seasonal.

For Planning District 24 and 25, rental property owners and/or their managers, acting as agents, renting or leasing properties for intervals of seven (7) days or less shall provide the minimum number of approved containers per unit based upon the number of bedrooms in that unit and shall be subject to the garbage collection rates as follows:

Planning District 24 and 25					
March 1 through October 31	2 x Week Pickup		November 1 through February 28	2 x Week Pickup	
1 Bedroom	(2) -carts	\$37.00	1 Bedroom	(1) -cart	\$32.00
2 Bedroom	(2) -carts	\$37.00	2 Bedroom	(1) -cart	\$32.00
3 Bedroom	(2) -carts	\$37.00	3 Bedroom	(1) -cart	\$32.00
4 Bedroom	(3) -carts	\$42.00	4 Bedroom	(2) -carts	\$37.00
5 Bedroom	(3) -carts	\$42.00	5 Bedroom	(2) -carts	\$37.00

Eligibility for once per week pickup in Planning District 24 and 25 shall apply year round to permanent residences or single family non rental properties who file for a seasonal variance.

The Solid Waste Officer shall have the right to require owners of rental units and/or their agents or property managers, by written notice, to rent additional containers beyond the above minimums as necessary to ensure sufficient container capacity to contain all garbage generated from the aforementioned units. Any persons wishing to contest the requirement for additional containers may appeal to the Baldwin County Commission.

Late Fees

Beginning October 1, 2008, Baldwin County Solid Waste will begin assessing a late fee to any outstanding balance carried by a residential account.

COLLECTIONS A Ten dollar (**\$10.00**) late fee shall be imposed on all collection accounts that become delinquent as defined by the following:

1. Payment of **Monthly** billed services for garbage collection and rental of refuse container are not received and posted before the date stated on the billing under the heading, "LATE AFTER:"
 - a. Billed amount not received by due date, ten dollars (\$10.00) added to account.
 - b. A ten dollar (\$10.00) late fee will charged, each month, to any account showing an outstanding balance.
2. Payment of **Quarterly** billed services for garbage collection and rental of refuse container are not received and posted before the date stated on the billing under the heading, "LATE AFTER:"
 - a. Billed amount not received by due date, ten dollars (\$10.00) added to account.
 - b. A ten dollar (\$10.00) late fee will charged, each month, to any account showing an outstanding balance.
3. Payment of **Annually** billed services for garbage collection and rental of refuse container are not received and posted before the date stated on the billing under the heading, "LATE AFTER:"
 - a. Billed amount not received by due date, ten dollars (\$10.00) added to account.
 - b. A ten dollar (\$10.00) late fee will be charged, each month, to any account showing an outstanding balance.

4. Payment of billed services for garbage collection and rental of refuse container are not received causing repossession of refuse container:
 - a. Past due amounts not received by stated date, container repossessed.
 - b. A ten dollar (\$10.00) delivery fee will be charged to any account requiring re-delivery of repossessed refuse container.

WAIVING OF LATE FEES

Late Fees as provided by this policy may be waived only as follows:

1. **Customer Courtesy** - A one-time ten dollar (\$10.00) late fee waiver, per collection account, may be administratively waived by the Senior Accountant as a customer courtesy.
2. **System Error** - Late fee(s) of (\$10.00) or more billed due to system error and/or system limitations may be administratively waived by the Senior Accountant with subsequent review and approval of the Clerk/Treasurer and/or Development & Environmental Director.
3. **Administrative (Other)** - Late fee(s) of (\$10.00) or more may be administratively waived for accounts with good historical payment history due to extenuating circumstances as deemed necessary by the Senior Accountant and/or Deputy Solid Waste Officers with subsequent review and approval of the Clerk Treasurer and/or Development & Environmental Director.
4. **Baldwin County Commission Waiver** - The Baldwin County Commission reserves the right to waive any late fees for any reason as it determines appropriate and as approved in session assembled.

Cart Re-delivery Fee

All Baldwin County Solid Waste Customers with Current Accounts will be eligible for a Baldwin County Solid Waste Garbage Cart at no additional costs. If the account becomes delinquent, the county will repossess the County Cart until such time that the default is cured. Baldwin County Solid Waste is not responsible for damage to personal cans. At the time the account becomes in good standing, the cart will be redelivered to the customer at a fee of \$10.00 to be paid by the customer prior to delivery.

FORMS/ATTACHMENTS/EXHIBITS

N/A