

Empire Disposal, Inc.

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RATE INCREASE NOTICE FOR COMMERCIAL CONTAINER AND CAN SERVICES – SPOKANE COUNTY

Dear Customer:

March 31, 2023

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	Per Pick-up	Per Pick-up	Per Pick-up
Commercial Carts:			
1-32 gal	\$ 4.97	\$ 0.73	\$ 5.70
1-32 gal minimum charge-Monthly	22.43	3.29	25.72
1-90 gal	11.94	1.75	13.69
1-90 gal minimum charge-Monthly	51.74	7.58	59.32
Carry-Out Services	0.96	0.14	1.10
Commercial Containers (Permanent Services):			
1 yard	20.94	3.06	24.00
1 yard - Monthly Rent	12.13	1.78	13.91
1.5 yards	31.32	4.58	35.90
1.5 yards - Monthly Rent	14.58	2.13	16.71
4 yards	77.38	11.32	88.70
4 yards - Monthly Rent	27.98	4.09	32.07

Other Services not listed will increase 14.63%

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RATE INCREASE NOTICE FOR RESIDENTIAL GARBAGE SERVICES– SPOKANE COUNTY

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Residential Garbage:	Current Rate	Proposed	Proposed Rate
	Per Month	Increase Per Month	Per Month
1-20 gal (Mini) once a week	\$ 17.80	\$ 2.60	\$ 20.40
1-32 gal once a week	22.05	3.23	25.28
1-65 gal once a week	33.11	4.85	37.96
1-90 gal once a week	41.57	6.08	47.65
1-32 gal once a month	13.71	2.01	15.72
Occasional Extra Unit	5.24	0.77	6.01

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	Current Rate	Proposed Increase	Proposed Rate
	Per Pick-up	Per Pick-up	Per Pick-up
Roll Off Services: Non Compacted (Permanent Service)			
25 yards - First Pickup	\$ 295.24	\$ 43.20	\$ 338.44
25 yards - Each Additional Pickup	230.15	33.68	263.83
40 yards - First Pickup	425.38	62.25	487.63
40 yards - Each Additional Pickup	334.59	48.96	383.55
Roll Off Services: Non Compacted (Temporary Service)			
Initial Delivery - All Sizes	87.31	12.78	100.09
25 yards	274.22	40.13	314.35
25 yards-Monthly Rent	115.56	16.91	132.47
40 yards	407.16	59.58	466.74
40 yards-Monthly Rent	144.36	21.13	165.49
Roll Off Services: Compacted (Permanent Service)			
30 yards	294.96	43.16	338.12
Mileage	6.33	0.93	7.26

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1-32 gal minimum charge-Monthly	22.43	3.29	25.72
1-90 gal	11.94	1.75	13.69
1-90 gal minimum charge-Monthly	51.74	7.58	59.32
Extra Can	4.99	0.73	5.72
Commercial Containers (Permanent Services):			
1 yard	20.94	3.06	24.00
1 yard - Monthly Rent	12.13	1.78	13.91
1.5 yards	31.32	4.58	35.90
1.5 yards - Monthly Rent	14.58	2.13	16.71
4 yards	77.38	11.32	88.70
4 yards - Monthly Rent	27.98	4.09	32.07
Loose/Bulky Materials	24.27	3.55	27.82

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Residential Garbage:			
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1-32 gal once a week	21.43	3.13	24.56
1-65 gal once a week	30.46	4.46	34.92
1-90 gal once a week	37.88	5.55	43.43
1-32 gal once a month	13.24	1.94	15.18
Occasional Extra Unit	4.90	0.72	5.62
Other Garbage Services not listed will increase 14.63%			
Recycling Service - City Of Colfax Only			
Recycling With Garbage - every-other-week	10.01	(0.10)	9.91
Other Recycling Services not listed will decrease 0.97%			

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25 yards - Each Additional Pickup	213.96	31.31	245.27
40 yards - First Pickup	395.61	57.89	453.50
40 yards - Each Additional Pickup	310.82	45.48	356.30
Roll Off Services: Non Compacted (Temporary Service)			
Initial Delivery - All Sizes	84.90	12.42	97.32
25 yards	255.12	37.33	292.45
25 yards-Monthly Rent	115.56	16.91	132.47
40 yards	377.50	55.24	432.74
40 yards-Monthly Rent	144.36	21.13	165.49
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