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Kirkland, WA 98033

Rate Increase Notice

January 15, 2021

Dear Valued Customer,

Waste Management is pleased to be your solid waste services collection provider. We value your business and welcome your feedback on our services.

Like all of us, the garbage industry is faced with many challenges today. Rising costs for processing yard waste and recyclables and labor and maintenance expenses have resulted in increased costs for us to provide collection services. Many of the above-mentioned costs have risen considerably since our last general rate increase more than six years ago in June 2014. Accordingly, we have applied for a change in rates, subject to the review and approval of the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (UTC). These proposed rates are shown on the back of this notice. If approved, the new rates would become effective February 15, 2021.

The UTC has the authority to set final rates, depending on the outcome of its investigation. You can submit a comment to the UTC by using the online comment form at <https://www.utc.wa.gov/comment>, via email at comments@utc.wa.gov, or by using the contact information below to write or call. Please include your name, mailing address, the name of the company (Waste Management), and a description of this filing.

*Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
P.O. Box 47250
Olympia, WA 98504-7250
Telephone: 1-888-333-WUTC (9882)*

Commission staff will make a recommendation to the commissioners at a virtual open meeting, which is scheduled for 9:30 a.m. on February 11, 2021. If you choose to do so, you will have an opportunity to comment at this meeting by calling 1 (360) 407-3810 and entering conference ID: 648699, or via the Skype Meeting Application at the following link <https://lync.wa.gov/utc.wa.gov/meet/omeeting/4YJ5Z17S>. We appreciate your patience as we adjust to these market conditions. The industry is working to meet the new quality demands while keeping costs down. We apologize for any confusion or inconvenience this has caused.

As a valued customer, you can help reduce contamination in your recycling cart by:

- Recycling the right things—when in doubt, throw it out
- Sort plastics by the shape—ignore numbers and symbols
- Ensure all recyclables are clean, dry, empty, and loose

If you have questions or need additional information about the proposal please contact us as your convenience by email pnwrsservices@wm.com, chat with a representative by visiting www.wm.com or call our customer service team at 1-800-592-9995.

Thank you for your business.

Waste Management of Seattle
Waste Management – South Sound

Proposed Rates Effective February 15, 2021
Monthly Garbage and Recycling Rates (billed quarterly) (a)

<u>Residential Garbage Service</u>	<u>Pickup Frequency</u>	<u>Current Rates</u>	<u>Proposed Rates</u>
Mini-Can	weekly	\$ 11.49	\$ 12.01
1 Can	monthly	\$ 8.82	\$ 9.22
1 Can	weekly	\$ 19.24	\$ 20.11
2 Cans	weekly	\$ 29.33	\$ 30.65
1 20 gal. Cart	weekly	\$ 13.59	\$ 14.20
1 35 gal. Cart	weekly	\$ 21.16	\$ 22.11
1 64 gal. Cart	weekly	\$ 30.97	\$ 32.36
1 96 gal. Cart	weekly	\$ 43.00	\$ 44.94
Occasional Extras(each)	weekly	(b) \$ 5.31	\$ 5.60
<u>Recycle Service</u>			
<u>Residential</u>			
Recycling as part of garbage service	EOW	\$ 10.49	\$ 13.24
Recycling Only (No Garbage Service)	EOW	\$ 11.69	\$ 14.74
<u>Multi-Family (based on garbage service level) - per pickup)</u>			
32 gal. can	EOW	\$ 0.30	\$ 0.37
35 gal. cart	EOW	\$ 0.32	\$ 0.40
64 gal. cart	EOW	\$ 0.60	\$ 0.75
96 gallon cart	EOW	\$ 1.00	\$ 1.24
1 yard container	EOW	\$ 2.00	\$ 2.52
1.50 yard container	EOW	\$ 3.00	\$ 3.79
2 yard container	EOW	\$ 4.00	\$ 5.05
3 yard container	EOW	\$ 6.00	\$ 7.56
4 yard container	EOW	\$ 8.00	\$ 10.10
6 yard container	EOW	\$ 12.00	\$ 15.14
8 yard container	EOW	\$ 16.00	\$ 20.19
<u>Optional Yardwaste Service</u>			
1 35 gal. Cart	weekly	\$ 10.70	\$ 12.74
1 64 gal. Cart	weekly	\$ 12.24	\$ 14.57
1 96 gal. Cart	weekly	\$ 14.04	\$ 16.72

(a) Not all collection services provided by the company are listed above. If your particular service is not shown your proposed increase in your base service charge will be approximately 5% greater than your current rate. Please call the company's phone number listed on the front of this letter for further details.

(b) Occasional extra rates shown above are per item, hence the monthly charge will be the above rate times the number of services per month.