

PUBLIC NOTICE

Rules and Conditions For Solid Waste and Recycling Services in Point Roberts

The Point Roberts Solid Waste System exists to serve this Community with the goal of providing necessary public services at the lowest cost rates. Rates and Services are regulated to protect the consumer. Certain Laws and Rules exist to support the Solid Waste System in order to achieve optimum rates and protect the community health and welfare. The Company operates under an obligation to serve current and future needs; to treat all customers equally; to provide fair, just and reasonable service; to ensure that all solid waste laws and rules are enforced; and to take all efforts to achieve the lowest cost rates and services. Each member of the community seeking to use the System is obligated to commit all of their waste to the system and to comply with all solid waste laws and rules. Any Person, Property, or Business who violates the intent of the System or any Solid Waste Laws and Rules forfeits their right to access the System and the Company may withhold any and all services.

The Company will be enforcing the following existing Solid Waste Laws and Rules:

Residential Properties: Whatcom County Universal Service Ordinance

All households are required to be on Residential Garbage Collection or to have a valid Solid Waste Exemption on file with the Company. All past Exemptions are void. Exempt Households are required to self-haul all their garbage to the Point Roberts Transfer Station. New exemption forms are available at the Transfer Station. The Company will be verifying the status of all residential properties. Effective immediately, only active Collection Customers or Valid Exempt households will be able to use the Transfer Station or other services. On July 1st, 2007, any residential property that is not on Collection Service or has a Valid Exemption will be forwarded to Whatcom County for enforcement action.

Prohibited Actions: Illegal Disposal

Burning of any garbage or construction waste is prohibited
Dumping or burying of any garbage or construction waste is prohibited
Placement of residential garbage into commercial dumpsters is prohibited
Transportation of any garbage or construction waste outside of Point Roberts is prohibited.

The Company will document all illegal disposal and seek enforcement action. Upon documentation, the Company will immediately suspend all services to the suspect property, property owner and any associated construction contractors until enforcement issues are resolved. The burden of proof of proper disposal is upon the property owner.

Construction Sites and Contractors:

The burning or burying of any construction waste is prohibited. All construction sites are required to keep waste within containers for collection by the Company or for self-haul to the Point Roberts Transfer Station.

The exportation of any waste outside of Point Roberts is prohibited. Any construction site that hauls waste out of Point Roberts whether by the property owner, contractor, sub-contractor or by using a foreign hauling company will result in the immediate and permanent suspension of all services for that property and any contractors associated with that project. The burden of proper disposal is upon both the property owner and the contractor.

This means that:

If a property owner hires a contractor who then burns or buries waste, hauls it out of Point Roberts, or hires a foreign hauling company; then that property and the contractor will be permanently excluded from the solid waste system.

If a contractor does work for a property owner who then burns or buries waste, hauls it out of Point Roberts, or hires a foreign hauling company; then that contractor and the property owner will be permanently excluded from the solid waste system.

The Point Roberts Solid Waste System exists as a balance of mutual commitment and sacrifice by both the Company and each member of the community. In order to correct certain ongoing and significant compliance problems that jeopardize the viability of this system, the Company must adopt an "all in or all out policy". The company is only obligated to serve when each individual is obligated to support the system. Individuals who do not fulfill their obligation to commit all their waste to the system are increasing rates for the other users of the system. In order to achieve the lowest cost rates and services, the Company cannot continue to provide any services to individuals who deliberately undermine the system.

If you have any questions regarding these rules, collection service or exemptions please call 945-1516 or visit the Transfer Station during regular hours Sunday, Tuesday, Thursday, 12-4