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New King County Solid Waste Disposal Rates for 2025

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New solid waste disposal rate supports essential services, investment in climate neutrality

Low income discount increases for qualified individuals

Beginning January 1, 2025, King County's Solid Waste Division will enact a rate adjustment of 10% percent for solid waste disposal, an estimated \$0.93 increase to monthly residential curbside collection bills. The new rate was approved unanimously by the King County Council on August 20.

New minimum fees will change to \$32.60 per vehicle and \$203.81 per ton for self-haul customers. Contract haulers will pay \$165.91 per ton, in addition to their fixed annual charge. Yard and wood waste fees will remain the same at \$18 for sedans and two-door hatchbacks and a weighted rate of \$115 per ton for all other customers. Increased discounts for qualifying low-income customers will also coincide with the change, rising from \$16 to \$18.

Revenue from the 2025 rate will allow the Solid Waste Division to continue essential services and avoid cuts to vital programs and services, while supporting capital projects and programs crucial to environmental progress on climate change mitigation, recycling and waste reduction efforts.

In addition, the new rate further supports the division's goal of climate neutrality by strengthening commitments to resource recovery and green innovations such as electric trucks, renewable diesel and other low emission technology.

KING COUNTY 2025 SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL FEE RATES				
SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL FEE TYPE	KING COUNTY ¹ PER-TON FEE	MODERATE RISK ² WASTE SURCHARGE	WA STATE REFUSE TAX (3.6%)	TOTAL
Minimum Fee ³	\$32.60	\$2.23	\$1.25	\$36.00
Per-ton Fee (Self-Haul)	\$203.81	\$5.84	\$7.55	\$217.20
Per-ton Fee (Contract)	\$165.91	\$5.84	\$6.18	\$177.93
Charitable Organizations				
Minimum Fee	\$25.12	\$2.23	\$0.98	\$28.33
Per-ton Fee	\$156.93	\$5.84	\$5.86	\$168.63
Special Waste				
Minimum Fee	\$39.09	N/A	\$1.41	\$40.50
Per-ton Fee	\$244.57	N/A	\$8.80	\$253.37
Min. Extra Handling Charge	\$45.61	N/A	\$1.64	\$47.25
Per-ton Extra Handling Charge	\$285.33	N/A	\$10.27	\$295.60
Cedar Hills Regional Direct	\$163.05	N/A	N/A	\$163.05

¹ Solid waste contract collection companies pay only per-ton-fee at King County solid waste disposal facilities.
² The King County Board of Health has approved increases in the surcharge that funds hazardous waste programs.
³ The total minimum fee is rounded to the nearest quarter per King County Code 10.12.030.

Additional messaging about the new rate to the general public and solid waste facility customers will begin in mid-October and continue through the end of the year.

We value our relationship with you. If you have any questions or comments about the newly adopted rates and our future service plans, please contact the [King County Solid Waste Division](#) at 206-477-4466.

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