

BLADEN COUNTY ORDINANCE FOR

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT

Section I. Purpose and Statutory Authority

The purpose of this ordinance is to regulate the storage, collection, and disposal of solid wastes in Bladen County. This ordinance is adopted pursuant to the authority contained in G.S. 153A-121, -132.1, and 136.

Section II. Definitions

- A. Board: Board of Commissioners of Bladen County.
- B. Bulky Waste: Large items of solid waste such as household appliances, furniture, automobiles, large auto parts, boards, cement blocks, bricks, trees, branches, stumps, and other oversize wastes whose large size precludes or complicates their handling by normal solid waste collection, processing, or disposal methods.
- C. Collection: The act of removing solid waste from a point of generation to a central receiving area or to a disposal site and from a central receiving point to a disposal site.
- D. Commercial Solid Waste: Solid wastes generated by stores, offices, restaurants, warehouses, and other non-manufacturing activities.
- E. Construction and Demolition Waste: Waste building materials, packaging, and rubble resulting from construction, remodeling, repair, and demolition operations on pavements, houses, commercial buildings, and other structures.
- F. Division of Health Services: Division of Health Services of the North Carolina Department of Human Resources--Solid Waste Management Branch.
- G. Garbage: All putrescible solid wastes, including food wastes and food containers, animal and vegetable matter, animal offal, carcasses, and certain industrial by-products, but excluding sewage and human wastes.
- H. Health Director: The director of the Bladen County Health Department, or his authorized representative.
- I. Industrial Solid Waste: Solid wastes generated by industrial processes and manufacturing.
- J. Infectious Waste: (1) Equipment, instruments, utensils, and fomites of a disposable nature from the rooms of patients who are suspected to have or have been diagnosed as having a communicable disease and must therefore,

be isolated as required by public health regulations; (2) laboratory wastes, such as pathological specimens (e.g., all tissues, specimens of blood elements, excreta, and secretions from patients or laboratory animals) and disposable fomites (any substance that may harbor or transmit pathogenic organisms) attendant thereto; (3) surgical operating room pathologic specimens and disposable fomites attendant thereto, and similar disposable materials from outpatient areas and emergency rooms.

- K. Institutional Solid Waste: Solid wastes generated by educational, health care, correctional, and other institutional facilities.
- L. Person: Any individual, firm, partnership, corporation, association, governmental unit or agency, or other legal entity.
- M. Refuse: Solid wastes, excluding garbage and ashes, collected from residences, commercial establishments, and institutions.
- N. Solid Waste: Hazardous or non-hazardous garbage, refuse, sludge from a waste treatment plant, water supply treatment plant, or air pollution control facility and other discarded material, including solid, liquid, semisolid, or contained gaseous material resulting from industrial, institutional, commercial, and agricultural operations, and from community activities. The term does not include: (a) fowl and animal fecal waste; (b) solid or dissolved material in (i) domestic sewage and sludges generated by the treatment thereof in sanitary sewage disposal systems which have a design capacity of more than 3,000 gallons or which discharge effluents to the surface waters; (ii) irrigation return flows; and (iii) wastewater discharges and the sludges incidental thereto and generated by the treatment thereof which are point sources subject to permits granted under section 402 of the Clean Water Act, as amended (P.L. 92-500), and permits granted under G.S. 143-215.1 by the Environmental Management Commission; (c) oils and other liquid hydrocarbons controlled under Article 21A of Chapter 143, North Carolina General Statutes; (d) any radioactive material as defined by the North Carolina Radiation Protection Act, G.S. 104E-1 through B.S. 104E-23; or (e) mining refuse covered by the North Carolina Mining Act, G.S. 74-46 through G.S. 74-68, and regulated by the North Carolina Mining Commission.
- O. Solid Waste Disposal Site: A location at which solid waste are disposed of by incineration, sanitary landfill, or other approved method.
- P. Solid Waste Receptacle: Large metal container used for the temporary storage of solid wastes and capable of being automatically emptied into collection vehicles.

Section III. Disposal of Garbage and Solid Waste

- A. Solid waste or garbage shall not be deposited, stored, or permitted to accumulate on any property in such a manner that it will provide food or harborage for rodents and vermin or will create a fire or safety hazard.
- B. It shall be unlawful for any person to leave outside of any building or

dwelling, in a place accessible to children, any abandoned, unattended, or discarded icebox refrigerator or any other container of any kind which has an airtight door without first removing the door.

- C. No person shall throw, dump, deposit, or cause to be thrown, dumped, or deposited solid waste on property owned by himself or another person or on any public highway, street, or road, upon public parks or recreation areas, or upon any other public property except that property specifically designated for that use.
- D. Solid waste shall be disposed of only in one of the following ways:
 - 1. In a sanitary landfill approved by the Division of Health Services.
 - 2. In an incinerator that has all required local, state, and federal air pollution control permits.
 - 3. By any other method, including reclamation and recycling processes, that has been approved by the Division of Health Services/and Bladen County Board of Commissioners.
- E. In addition to the methods listed in Section III.D., above, refuse may be disposed of in solid waste receptacles (green boxes) provided by the Bladen County Board of Commissioners.
- F. Construction and demolition wastes may be disposed of at disposal sites approved by the Division of Health Services and the Health Director.

Section IV. Landfill Management

- A. The sanitary landfill of Bladen County may be used for the disposal of solid wastes by any person who is a resident of Bladen County during regular hours of operation of the landfill. Solid wastes shall be disposed of at the landfill in the manner and according to the procedures required by the landfill manager or his representative.
- B. The following list must be followed:

ACCEPTABILITY OF MATERIAL FOR LANDFILL

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CONDITIONAL
ACCEPTANCE

(BASED ON RECYCLING POTENTIAL)

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ACCEPTABLE

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| 1. Garbage and rubbish from routine collection services from container sites and commercial establishments. | 1. Metal and cardboard drums containing residues of chemicals. | 1. Any liquid or semi-liquid waste or sludge |
| 2. Household appliances, furniture, bedding | 2. Metal filings, cuttings, trimmings. | 2. Any chemicals that may be dangerous to employees or equipment or that may pollute the ground water. |
| 3. Brush, tree trimmings, leaves and general refuse from residences. | 3. Plastic cuttings and trimmings. | |
| 4. Cardboard and wooden containers from businesses and industry. | 4. Plastic bags of wrappers in quantities. | 3. Any highly inflammable materials. |
| 5. Demolition and construction waste in small quantities. | 5. Textile waste not boxed or bagged, particularly long thread waste. | 4. Demolition and construction waste in quantities. |
| 6. Cardboard drums (empty) | 6. Metal bands in quantities. | |
| 7. Textile cones & tubes. | 7. Stumps and logs. | |
| 8. Textile waste when boxed or baled. | 8. Metal drums. | |
| 9. Street refuse & litter. | 9. Wire in quantities. | 5. Radioactive waste. |
| | 10. Junk cars or vehicles. | 6. No live or dead animals accepted. |

Section V. Solid Waste Receptacles

- A. Solid waste receptacles are maintained at numerous sites throughout the county for the convenience of county residents on land owned by the county or through contractual arrangements. Solid wastes may be deposited in the solid waste receptacles only in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance.
- B. All solid wastes shall be deposited inside the solid waste receptacle. No solid waste may be left at the solid waste disposal site outside the receptacle.
- C. The following wastes may not be deposited in solid waste receptacles:
 - 1. Hazardous waste;
 - 2. Liquid wastes;
 - 3. Infectious wastes;
 - 4. Radioactive wastes;
 - 5. Bulky wastes;
 - 6. Tires;
 - 7. Construction and demolition wastes;
 - 8. Burning or smoldering materials, or any other materials that would create a fire hazard.
 - 9. No live or dead animals of any kind shall be deposited in any county containers.
- E. It shall be unlawful for any person to remove any item from a solid waste receptacle, climb on or into a receptacle, or damage any receptacle, or set fire to or attempt to set fire to the contents of any receptacle.

Section VI. Violation and Penalties

Any person who violates any provision of the Bladen County Solid Waste Ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be subject to a fine of not less than fifty dollars (\$50.00) nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) and cost and/or imprisonment for a maximum of thirty (30) days, or both. A separate and distinct violation shall be deemed to have occurred upon each and every day during which such violation continues.

Section VII. Enforcement

This ordinance shall be enforced by the Board of County Commissioners along with help from the County Manager and Health Director. Policing of this ordinance shall be carried out by the Bladen County Sheriff's Department or other authorized representative of the Bladen County Board of Commissioners.

Adopted this 21st day of August, 1989

SIGNED

Robert G. Roberts, Chairman
Bladen County Board of Commissioners

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