

**AMENDED & SUBSTITUTED ORDINANCE NUMBER 13**

**IDA COUNTY ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A MANDATORY PROGRAM FOR THE  
SEPARATION OF RECYCLABLE MATERIALS IN ORDER TO FACILITATE  
COLLECTION AND ENCOURAGE RECYCLING**

**WHEREAS**, conservation of recyclable material is now a necessity in order to conserve our natural resources; and

**WHEREAS**, the separation, collection and sale of recyclable materials will reduce the financial burden of solid waste disposal.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Ida County Board of Supervisors; and is hereby enacted and ordained by authority of the same as follows:

**I. Separation Required.**

Commencing July 1, 2001, every person or entity disposing of solid waste or recyclable materials in the County of Ida shall separate recyclable material from garbage, rubbish and other solid waste. This shall apply to the owner or occupant of each residence or residential unit and the owner or occupant of each non-residential agricultural, commercial or industrial premise authorized to place waste in the designated solid waste facility. Accepted recyclable materials may differ as conditions warrant.

**II. Disposition of Recyclables**

Recyclable materials shall not be placed in the designated solid waste facility on or after July 1, 2001. Persons or entities shall place recyclable materials in county approved containers for collections, or in the alternative, shall deliver recyclable materials to the recycling center.

**A. Definitions-The following terms shall mean:**

1. "Collector" means the person, persons or entity specifically authorized by the City Councils and the Board of Supervisors to collect garbage, rubbish and recyclable materials and to dispose of the same. Rural patrons shall constitute self-collectors.
2. "Garbage" means all solid and semisolid, putrescible animal and vegetable wastes resulting from the handling, preparing, cooking, storing, serving and consuming of food or of materials intended for use as food, and all offal, excluding useful industrial byproducts, and shall include all such substances from all public and private establishments and from all residences.
3. "Rubbish: means nonputrescible solid waste consisting of combustible and noncombustible waste, such as ashes, paper, cardboard, tin cans, wood, glass, bedding, crockery, or litter of any kind.
4. "Construction and Demolition waste" means waste building materials including wood, metals, and rubble which result from construction and demolition of structures.
6. "Solid waste" means all garbage, refuse, rubbish and similar discarded solid or semisolid materials, including but not limited to such materials resulting from industrial, commercial, agricultural, and domestic activities.
7. "Paper" means phone books, magazines, catalogs, office paper (white and pastel bond paper, all computer paper, copy machine paper, adding machine papers, telephone message slips, letterhead paper, tablet and note pad paper, fax paper, newspapers, fill folders), box board containers (cereal boxes, gift boxes, shoe boxes and envelope boxes), junk mail ( including window

envelopes), and other similar items as determined to be recyclable by the recycling center contractor. If hard covers are removed from books, the books maybe recycled.

8. "Recyclable material" means
  - a. Paper items including but not limited to newspaper, office paper, magazines and catalogs, box board and junk mail,
  - b. Unwaxed, corrugated card board,
  - c. White goods (appliances) which includes stoves, refrigerators, washers and dryers, water heater, air conditioners, dishwashers, freezers, & microwaves,
  - d. Glass jars and bottles,
  - e. Cans and other metals
  - f. Plastic containers, and
  - g. Lead-acid batteries
  - h. Recyclable household batteries (including nickel-cadmium & mercuric-oxide batteries)
  
9. "Non-recyclable materials" means all material not having a present, economic reusable value. Examples include but are not limited to:
  - a. Window glass, mirrors, drinking glass, pottery and ceramics,
  - b. Light bulbs,
  - c. Plastic food containers with #3-#7 on the bottom, including but not limited to plastic bags, Styrofoam products, etc.
  - d. Waxed-paper and waxed cardboard,
  - e. Hard covers of books, carbon paper, food wrappers and containers contaminated with food, thermal fax paper, tissue paper,
  - f. Textiles and clothing, carpets, rugs, shoes and belts,
  - h. Garbage
  - i. Rubbish

#### B. Separation of Recyclable Materials:

1. Separation Required - Commencing on July 1, 2001, every person or entity disposing of solid waste or recyclable materials in Ida County shall separate recyclable materials from garbage, rubbish, and other solid waste.

This shall apply to the owner or occupant of each residence or residential unit and the owner or occupant of each non-residential, commercial or industrial premise authorized to place waste in the designated solid waste facility.

2. Disposition of Recyclables - Urban persons or entities shall place recyclable materials in city/county-approved containers for collection; rural patrons shall deliver recyclable materials to an approved recycling center or to the Ida County Recycling Center, unless they subscribe to a collection service.

#### C. Containers for Collection.

1. Solid waste - Solid waste, not including recyclable materials, shall be placed in plastic bags and/or in a waste storage container as defined in Ordinance #15, Section 8 and as authorized by the city/county. When filled, bags/containers shall weigh no more than 50 pounds per bag/container unless it is an approved container designed to be mechanically emptied.
  
2. Recyclable - Recyclable materials shall be placed in a separate container for recyclables only. Jars, bottles, aluminum products, tin cans and plastic containers (co-mingled items) shall be placed in the bottom of the recycling bin. Corrugated cardboard bundles should be placed on top and weighed down by bagged or bundled paper products to prevent blowing. Paper products should not be mixed with co-mingled items.



3. Larger quantities of solid waste - Persons or entities disposing of large quantities of solid waste and recyclable materials shall use separate, city/county approved, marked and covered dumpsters for the separate solid waste and recyclable materials.

#### D. Preparation and Placement of Recyclable Materials for Collection

1. Newspapers and other paper as described above shall be bundled, boxed or placed in the recyclable container(s), either curbside or at the recycling center.
2. Glass shall be unbroken, rinsed, metal caps and rings removed and placed in recyclable container(s), either curbside or at the recycling center.
3. Metal cans (aluminum, tin or other) shall be rinsed, and placed in the recyclable container(s), either curbside or at the recycling center.
4. Corrugated cardboard shall be flattened, bundled, and placed in or under the recyclable container(s), either curbside or at the recycling center.
5. HDPE (#1) and PET (#2) plastic containers shall be rinsed, metal and plastic rings removed and placed in the recyclable container(s), either curbside or at the recycling center.
6. Tires shall be taken to the designated solid waste facility or to an area tire dealer for recycling. A disposal fee will be assessed.
7. Motor vehicle batteries and rechargeable household batteries (nickel-cadmium and mercuric-oxide) shall be taken to an area recycler, returned to the point of purchase, or taken to the designated solid waste facility.
8. Used oil shall be taken to the designated solid waste facility collection barrel or recycled with an area automotive products retailer.
9. Oil filters shall be drained prior to disposal or recycling. All drained oil shall be recycled.
10. Appliances (white goods) shall be separated from all other waste, handled in a manner that will prevent the release of PCBs (polychlorinated biphenyls), mercury, and refrigerants contained in the appliance. Appliances must be demanufactured in accordance with all state and federal regulations prior to recycling or disposal.

#### III. Refusal of Service

The collector shall refuse to furnish collection service to any person not complying with or refusing to comply with the Ordinance for the collection of garbage, rubbish and other solid waste and the separation of recyclable materials.

#### IV. Collection by Unauthorized Person

From the time of placement of recyclable materials at the collection point for collection by the County of Ida or its authorized agent(s) in accordance with the terms herein, recyclable materials shall be and become the property of Ida County. It shall be a violation of this Ordinance for any person not authorized by Ida County to collect or pick up or cause to be collected or picked up any such recyclable materials. Any and each such collection in violation hereof from any one recyclable material container shall constitute a separate and distinct offense punishable as hereinafter provided. All collected recyclables are required to go to the Ida County Convenience Center for processing.

This shall not prevent a business for arranging for independent collection and processing of its own recyclables, generated on its own property, provided that the recycled tonnage's are periodically reported to the county or designated representative.

**V. Penalty.**

The penalty for the violation of an section of the Ordinance shall be a fine of not less than \$25.00 nor more than \$150.00 for the first offense and not less than \$100.00 nor more than \$250.00 for each subsequent offense.

Passes and approved on the 4th day of December, 2007.

Ida County Board of Supervisors

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Robert Paulsrud, Chair

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Attest: Lorna Steenbock  
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