

Storing Waste On Your Property

Dangerous or unsightly means partly demolished, decayed, or in a state of disrepair. This includes junk, ashes, equipment or machinery along with the accumulation of wood shavings, solid waste, paper, grass or other compostable material.

- Solid waste stored outside a building must be kept in a rodent proof container or box.



- Construction and demolition debris must be stored in a neat and tidy manner. These items can not be stored indefinitely, buried or burned on your property.



Visit our website for more information about disposal of these materials and hazardous waste.

STACK ITEMS NEATLY IN A PILE. COVER WITH A TARP WHEN POSSIBLE

What Are The Owners Responsibilities

As a property owner, you are responsible, including occupants having use of the property.

- Ensure there is no scattered waste or improperly stored materials.
- Remove wrongly stored solid waste and discard items immediately.
- Provide a garbage box or container for tenants
- Ensure tenants have information about proper disposal and waste collection.



For more information on Unsightly & Dangerous bylaws, please visit your municipality's website.



Learning About BURNING



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What is Open Burning?

Open burning of garbage has been against the law in Nova Scotia since April 1, 1996. Open burning refers to burning of garbage in barrels, open pits, outdoor furnaces, woodstoves, or fireplaces. Burning garbage is much more harmful to your health and the environment than you might think.



“I’ve been burning garbage for years”

Burning materials that might seem harmless such as paper, cardboard, construction debris, brush and other yard waste does release toxins and hazardous cancer-causing compounds. Even throwing small pieces of plastic into a campfire impacts the environment.

**Burning
garbage could
cost you \$697.00**



What Are The Risks?

Burning garbage poses a health risk to those expose directly to the smoke and even people miles away. People with respiratory problems, children and the elderly are among the highest risk. Short term exposure to smoke from a fire burning garbage can cause headaches, nausea and rashes. Over time it can increase the risk of developing heart disease. For more information on harmful side effects and toxins released, please visit Environment Canada website.

**Toxins are left behind in the ashes
which can end up in water wells,
crops, lakes and rivers**



**It’s easy to dispose of your garbage
the right way!**

Check with your municipality for Open Burning Bylaws and Permits.

**According to Environment Canada,
open burning of garbage produces
more dioxins and furans than all
industrial activities combined in
Canada.**

The Solution

Residents and businesses have access to curbside collection which allows for proper waste disposal. There are also stewardship programs in place which accepts free disposal of electronics, tires, sharps, oil and glycol.

It’s easy! Separate your garbage and place in the right colour bag:

GARBAGE such as toys, Styrofoam, chip bags and candy wrappers, bathroom waste and sanitary items can be placed into a clear bag.

RECYCLABLES such as plastic containers, bags, glass, metal and tin can be rinsed clean and placed into a blue bag.

PAPER/BOXBOARD such as flyers, junk mail, magazines, books, cracker, cereal and pasta boxes can be placed into a clear or blue bag.

COMPOST such as all food scraps, bones, napkins, paper towel and tissue can be placed in a green cart.



**“We are so lucky to
have the system we
do.”**



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