

**ORDINANCE NO. 779  
(AS AMENDED THROUGH 779.20)  
AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE  
COUNTY SOLID WASTE FACILITIES AND ESTABLISHING FEES**

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside ordains as follows:

Section 1. DEFINITIONS. The words used in this ordinance shall have the same meaning as the words as the definitions provided in Public Resources Code 40100 et. seq., and as they may be amended from time to time.

Section 2. ESTABLISHMENT OF SITES. Subject to control of the Board of Supervisors, the General Manager-Chief Engineer of the Department of Waste Resources may designate and operate or control by contract County owned, leased, or contracted sites for public transfer, processing or disposal of solid waste.

Section 3. REFUSE FROM OUTSIDE OF COUNTY. Unless so authorized in writing by the General Manager-Chief Engineer of the Department of Waste Resources or his designated representative, under general policies adopted by the Board, no person shall place, deposit, or dump, or cause to be placed, deposited, or dumped, in or upon any County owned, leased, or contracted transfer station or disposal site in the County, any solid waste originating outside of the County of Riverside, provided however, the General Manager-Chief Engineer of the Department of Waste Resources has discretion to accept incidental amounts of refuse from outside of Riverside County and near County borders for disposal at County landfills when payment is made according to Appendix A for such incidental refuse.

Section 4. REGULATIONS. All County owned leased, or contracted transfer stations and disposal sites in the County should be under the supervision of the General Manager-Chief Engineer of the Department of Waste Resources who shall have the power and the duty to prescribe reasonable regulations regulating the use by the public and the operation of such sites. Such rules shall include, but need not be limited to, the following subjects:

Days and hours of use.

Charges for use of sites at times other than regular hours, which shall be sufficient to reimburse the County for equipment, personnel and overhead costs.

Maximum size of articles and objects dumped.

Allocation of various types of waste to specific sites and the placement of waste within any site.

Prohibition or conditional acceptance of harmful, dangerous or difficult to handle materials, if allowed under the state operating permit, including a reasonable charge for their acceptance, unique handling requirements or assured destruction.

Prohibition of persons from entering the site for reasons including, but not limited to: unauthorized salvaging of waste and recyclables, attempting to dispose of hazardous waste, loitering, intoxication and other forms of conduct that reduce operational efficiencies and/or increase risk of injury to Department employees and the public.

Except for short-term emergencies, any regulation fixing days or hours of operation shall be submitted to the Board of Supervisors for approval before taking effect. All regulations prescribed by the General Manager-Chief Engineer of the Department of Waste Resources shall be filed in his or her office and shall be available for public inspection.

Section 5. HAZARDOUS WASTE LOAD CHECKING PROGRAM. All landfills and transfer stations in the County shall implement and maintain a hazardous waste load checking program at each of their solid waste facilities as required by California law (pursuant to Titles 14 and 27, California Code of Regulations); and which program shall also meet the minimum requirements outlined in this ordinance.

- a. Each solid waste facility operator shall perform random load checks across all load types including self-haul residential, business and industrial waste loads, franchise hauler waste loads (including residential, commercial and industrial) to detect hazardous waste before such incoming waste is transferred to, and/or disposed at, the landfill. Such program shall have the objectives of: 1) preventing hazardous waste from being placed in a landfill not permitted to receive such waste and 2) educating and discouraging both facility self-haul customers and franchise waste hauler customers from bringing or sending in such material. The minimum number of load checks performed at each solid waste facility shall comply with the following schedule:

Landfill/Transfer Station Random Load Check Schedule

| Average Daily Tonnage  | Random Samples per Day |
|------------------------|------------------------|
| 0 to 100 tons/day      | **                     |
| 101 to 600 tons/day    | 6*                     |
| 601 to 1,000+ tons/day | 10*                    |

\* The initial schedule is for a minimum number of "Random Samples per Day" for a minimum of three rotating days per week so arriving customers will not know when there will be an inspection.. If a problem persists with large quantities of hazardous waste being found at the landfill or transfer station, the Enforcement Agency or the General Manager-Chief Engineer of the Department of Waste Resources may require the number of "Random Samples per Day" to be applied every day the solid waste facility is open until the problem is deemed corrected.

\*\*Minimum of 6 samples per week – may all be performed on the same day

- b. An inspection form (which shall be certified for completeness and accuracy by the load check inspector on duty) shall be filled out in its entirety at the time of each load check performed at the solid waste facility. The inspection form shall include the following information, to be filled out at the time of inspection:

Date and time of inspection

Load check inspector name, (certification)

Load type (residential, commercial, industrial)

Hauler/company name/customer name

Driver name

Vehicle type (e.g. Hand Unload, Dump Truck, Side Loader, Front End Loader, or Roll Off)

License plate number

Whether or not the load contained prohibited waste

- c. When prohibited waste is found, forms shall include the following:

Load origin (jurisdiction or route number for side loaders and front end

loader vehicles, customer/store name and address where picked up for all other vehicle types)  
Hazardous waste found (type/name, class, container size/quantity, volume/weight, unit of gallons or pounds)  
Disposition of material (e.g. picked up by responsible party, returned with customer at time of inspection, solid waste facility assumed responsibility of the material, etc.)

- d. Management shall review completed forms at a frequency sufficient to ensure forms are filled out completely and correctly.
- e. The General Manager-Chief Engineer of the Department of Waste Resources or his designated representative and/or a representative of the Enforcement Agency shall have the right to enter the solid waste facilities at any time to audit their load check program's compliance with these standards. These audits shall be limited to four times in any 12 month period and may include three days in which Department of Waste Resources personnel perform load checks at the facility and one day in which Department of Waste Resources staff review the facility's written load check program, hazardous waste and universal waste shipping records, facility personnel training records, hazardous waste storage areas, and load checking procedures in order to audit the solid waste facility load checking program and/or assist the operator in making its load checking program successful.

Section 6. SALVAGE OPERATIONS. Subject to the approval of the Board of Supervisors, salvage operations of reusable waste materials at all County owned, leased, or contracted transfer stations and disposal sites in the County may be conducted only by such persons as are authorized to do so and upon such terms and conditions as are imposed by the General Manager-Chief Engineer of the Department of Waste Resources.

Section 7. FEES.

Tipping Fees at Scaled Urban Sites: Pursuant to the authority of Government Code Section 25823, fees for the disposal of solid waste and disposal of liquid waste at enumerated landfills shall be as established by the Board of Supervisors following a duly noticed public hearing. The fees so established shall be in an amount sufficient to cover all costs including but not limited to the following: closure/postclosure (including past unfunded costs), remediation, environmental mitigation, state mandated and other pass-through fees, and general operations. Such fees and the landfills to which they shall apply appear as Appendix A to this Ordinance. The Board of Supervisors may establish different rates through contractual agreements when the terms of said agreements help stabilize revenues and system rates over a long-term period.

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Fees for Disposal at Rural Sites: Pursuant to the authority of Government Code Section 25823, fees for the disposal of solid waste at landfills and transfer stations, formerly in a land use assessment area, shall be as established by the Board of Supervisors following a duly noticed public hearing. The

fees so established shall be calculated to recover a fair share of the estimated costs for these facilities. Cards permitting entrance into these landfills and transfer stations shall be offered for sale to residents and businesses (only in the local areas surrounding these sites as shown on maps in Exhibit 1) at rates set by the Board of Supervisors. No access to these facilities will be allowed without a card, except in cases where permitted waste haulers or other large commercial users have negotiated separate contracts with the County. Waste from outside these areas shall not be accepted at the rural sites providing, however, waste from unincorporated areas outside of, but near the borders of these service areas may be accepted under the same terms and conditions herein set forth, if it is determined by the General Manager-Chief Engineer of the Department of Waste Resources that this is the most practical way to provide disposal service to these customers. Such rates and the landfills and transfer stations to which they apply shall appear in Appendices B and C to this Ordinance.

Miscellaneous Fees. A schedule of miscellaneous fees is attached as Appendix D.

Section 8. PROHIBITIONS. No person shall violate any regulation prescribed by the General Manager-Chief Engineer of the Department of Waste Resources regulating the use of a County disposal site or transfer station, or fail to obey any sign giving notice of any regulation, maintained at any such site or facility by the General Manager-Chief Engineer of the Department of Waste Resources. Violation of any such regulation shall be a violation of this Ordinance.

Section 9. VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES. The General Manager-Chief Engineer of the Department of Waste Resources reserves the right to deny entrance to an individual for an appropriate time span when said individual is deemed to pose a safety risk and/or is disruptive to the normal workflow of the landfill or transfer station operations. A letter of notification specifying the dates and location(s) of restriction will be mailed to the individual and be on hand at the gate fee booth(s).

It shall be unlawful for any person to violate any provision of this Ordinance. Any person violating any provision of this Ordinance may be deemed guilty of an infraction or misdemeanor as hereinafter specified. Such persons shall be deemed guilty of a separate offense for each day, or portion thereof, during which any violation of any of the provisions of this Ordinance is committed or continued. Any person so convicted shall be: (1) guilty of an infraction offense and punished by a fine not exceeding One Hundred dollars (\$100.00) for a first violation; (2) guilty of an infraction offense and punished by a fine not exceeding Two Hundred dollars (\$200.00) for a second violation. The third and any additional violations shall constitute a misdemeanor offense and shall be punishable by a fine not exceeding Five Hundred dollars (\$500.00). Notwithstanding the above, a first offense may be charged and prosecuted as a misdemeanor. Payment of any penalty herein shall not relieve a person from the responsibility for correcting the violation.

Section 10. SEVERABILITY. If any provision, clause, sentence or paragraph of this Ordinance (including its appendices) or the application thereof to any person or circumstances shall be held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions or applications of the provisions of this Ordinance (and its appendices) which can be given effect without the invalid

provision or application, and to this end, the provisions of this Ordinance (and its appendices) are hereby declared to be severable.

Section 11. ATTACHMENTS. The following attachments as referenced above in this Ordinance are attached hereto and by this reference incorporated herein:

**APPENDIX A - Schedule of Waste Disposal Fees**

**APPENDIX B - Residential Self-Haul Cards**

**APPENDIX C - Rural Site Access – Commercial Cards**

**APPENDIX D - Schedule of Miscellaneous Fees**

Section 12. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after its adoption."

**Adopted:**

779 Item 10.1 of 07/28/1998 (Eff: 08/27/1998)

**Amended:**

(Amendment to Appendix A) Item 12.4 of 07/06/1999

- 779.1 Item 10.1 of 06/19/2001 (Eff: 07/19/2001)
- 779.2 Item 10.1 of 05/07/2002 (Eff: 06/06/2002)
- 779.3 Item 12.1 of 08/19/2003 (Eff: 09/18/2003)
- 779.4 Item 16.8 of 03/16/2004 (Eff: 04/15/2004)
- 779.5 Item 12.1 of 05/25/2004 (Eff: 06/24/2004)
- 779.6 Item 12.2 of 06/07/2005 (Eff: 07/07/2005)
- 779.7 Item 12.1 of 05/16/2006 (Eff: 06/15/2006)
- 779.8 Item 12.1 of 05/08/2007 (Eff: 06/07/2007)
- 779.9 Item 12.3 of 05/20/2008 (Eff: 06/19/2008)
- 779.10 Item 12.1 of 07/29/2008 (Eff: 08/28/2008)
- 779.11 Item 12.1 of 05/12/2009 (Eff: 06/11/2009)
- 779.12 Item 12.4 of 06/08/2010 (Eff: 07/28/2010)
- 779.13 Item 12.1 of 05/08/2012 (Eff: 06/07/2012)
- 779.14 Item 12-2c of 04/30/2013 (Eff: 05/30/2013)
- 779.15 Item 12-3 of 05/06/2014 (Eff: 06/05/2014)
- 779.16 Item 12-1 of 06/02/2015 (Eff: 07/02/2015)
- 779.17 Item 12-1C of 05/24/2016 (Eff: 07/01/2016)
- 779.18 Item 12.2C of 05/23/2016 (Eff: 06/22/2017)
- 779.19 Item 12.1 of 05/22/2018 (Eff: 06/21/2018)
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