



Chapter 7 – Garbage and Refuse

ARTICLE I - PURPOSE

The purpose of this ordinance is to protect, preserve and promote the health, safety, and welfare of all the citizens of the City of Winooski through the establishment of enforceable standards for safe and sanitary disposal of solid waste, and to establish measures to assure compliance of persons within the city limits and of collectors and haulers operating within the city.

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Statutory Cross-References: 24 V.S.A. § 2291(12); 24 V.S.A. § 2201.

ARTICLE III - GENERAL REGULATIONS

SECTION 7.01 - DEFINITIONS

For the purposes of this chapter the following terms shall have the meanings given herein:

GARBAGE shall mean putrescible animal and vegetable wastes resulting from the handling, preparation, cooking and consumption of food.

REFUSE shall mean all putrescible and non-putrescible solid wastes (except body wastes), including garbage, rubbish, ashes and solid market and industrial wastes.



RECYCLABLE WASTES, REFUSE OR RUBBISH shall mean matter that is capable of being salvaged, that has resale value, that is ultimately brought to a recycling center, and that constitutes the totality of that which is being collected.

RUBBISH shall mean non-putrescible solid wastes (excluding ashes), consisting of both combustible and noncombustible wastes, such as paper, cardboard, tin cans, yard clippings, wood, glass, bedding, crockery and similar materials.

SECTION 7.02 - PLACING GARBAGE AND OFFENSIVE MATTER ON STREETS AND OTHER PROPERTY PROHIBITED

- A. No person shall deposit, throw, cause to be deposited or thrown, or permit to remain on any public or privately-owned property in the city, any garbage, rubbish or refuse.
- B. It shall be a violation of this ordinance for any person to deposit, throw, cause to be deposited or thrown any garbage, rubbish or refuse in a dumpster or trash receptacle other than that owned or rented by such person.

Statutory Cross-Reference: 24 V.S.A. § 2201.

SECTION 7.03 - COLLECTORS TO BE LICENSED

No person shall carry on the business of collecting garbage, refuse or rubbish or collecting or disposing of refuse, waste or rubbish that is recyclable, within the city unless licensed by the city.

SECTION 7.04 - NUMBER OF LICENSES MAY BE RESTRICTED

The city council may, if it finds it to be in the best interest of the city, restrict the number of licenses issued under the provisions of this chapter.

SECTION 7.05 - LICENSE MAY BE SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS

All licenses required by section 7.03 will be subject to all conditions imposed by the council at the time of issuance.



SECTION 7.06 - REVOCATION OF LICENSE

The city council shall have the power to revoke at any time any license required by section 7.03.

SECTION 7.07 - LICENSE FEE

The annual fee for a license required by section 7.03 shall be as prescribed in Chapter 20 of the Winooski Municipal Code.

SECTION 7.08 - CONDITION OF COLLECTION VEHICLES

All vehicles used in the collection of garbage, refuse, or rubbish shall be kept well painted and shall be washed after each day's use. Such vehicles shall be equipped with close-fitting covers or constructed so as to prevent, as far as possible, the emission of offensive odors and the dropping of garbage, refuse, or rubbish.

ARTICLE IV - PENALTIES

A violation of this chapter shall be a civil violation and subject to civil penalties and enforcement as provided for in Chapter 1, Section 1.11 of the Winooski Municipal Code.