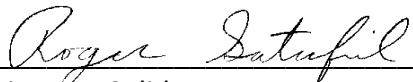


KOOTENAI COUNTY SOLID WASTE DEPARTMENT

Drums and Barrels Policy

This Department Policy governing the disposal of solid waste is promulgated under the authority of Title 4, Chapter 3 Kootenai County Code as it exists or may subsequently be amended and is effective on May 1, 2013.



Director, Solid Waste Department

Policy

In order to prevent liquid contaminants or hazardous materials from entering the landfill through drums or barrels the following policy has been developed. This policy is designed to provide disposal service to those individuals and companies that generate large liquid containers in Kootenai County. This policy does not extend to fuel tanks.

Procedure

The procedure for disposal is as follows:

1. All containers, regardless of capacity, containing hazardous materials must be triple rinsed and completely drained prior to disposal.
2. All metal and plastic containers having a capacity over 10 gallons shall have both ends removed and crushed* prior to landfilling.

*If containers cannot be crushed by owner, arrangements can be made at the landfill or transfer station to have this done. This arrangement must be made in advance with department approval.

Containers failing to meet the recommended disposal procedures, will not be accepted at the Kootenai County landfill or transfer stations.

ENFORCEMENT

Failure to comply with proper disposal procedures, false declaration and/or deliberate disposal of drums and barrels or disposal in a manner which may be deemed as resulting in a potential hazard to ground water or the environment may result in refusal of service and could be defined as unlawful disposal.

Any person unlawfully depositing or disposing of or in any way aiding or assisting in the depositing or disposing of, or provide for delivery of, inappropriately declared loads or improper disposal of drums and barrels within the Kootenai County disposal system or anywhere within the Kootenai County in an improper manner shall be civilly liable for the full costs and expenses of cleanup, control, elimination , abatement, decontamination or other remediation which is undertaken by Kootenai County or any other public agency to properly correct damages or potential damages associated with said violation and/or,

- a. civil responsibility for the violation
- b. criminal misdemeanor liability with a maximum of 6 months imprisonment and/or \$1,000 fine, and/or
- c. civil liability for cleanup costs