

# Harrison Township Code of Ordinances

## Chapter 20: Solid Waste

### Part 2: COLLECTION OF SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLABLES

#### § 201 Findings of Fact.

[Ord. 1814, 8/1/1990, § 1]

The Board of Commissioners of the Township of Harrison ("Township") finds that:

A. Act 101 of 1988 requires the Township to implement a recycling program.

B. Recycling in the Township will be done most efficiently if the collection of recyclables is carried out in conjunction with the collection of solid waste.

C. A successful recycling program will require source separation by Township residents and the use of standardized collection practices and uniform containers for pick up of recyclables.

D. The success of the Township recycling program will be jeopardized if standard containers and collection practices are not used or if recyclables are removed from containers before authorized collection personnel can pick up the recyclables.

#### § 202 Definitions.

[Ord. 1814, 8/1/1990, § 2]

#### COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Any exhibition, show, festival, gathering, entertainment or other activity which requires an outdoor amusement permit from the Township under Chapter 13, Part 6, of the Township Code of Ordinances.

#### CURBSIDE CONTAINER

The container issued or approved by the Township for the purpose of collecting, storing and placing recyclables at the curbside for collection.

#### LEAF WASTE

Leaves, garden residues, shrubbery and tree trimmings and similar material, but not including grass clippings.

#### OWNER

The owner of record as shown by deed recorded in the office of the Recorder of Deeds of Allegheny County.

#### PERSON

Any individual, entity, association or enterprise.

## RECYCLABLES

Those materials that may be specified from time to time by the Township to be separated for recycling. Initially, recyclables shall include clear glass, colored glass and aluminum cans. Thereafter, the Township may specify different recyclables by way of resolution.

## SOLID WASTE

All garbage, refuse, trash or rubbish, excluding recyclables, that is collected by a hauler under agreement with or permission of the Township.

## RESIDENTIAL DWELLING

Includes all single family dwellings, duplexes, double houses, apartments and multifamily structures.

### **§ 203 Collection Regulations; Residential Dwellings with Less than Four Dwelling Units.**

[Ord. 1814, 8/1/1990, § 3]

From and after September 26, 1990, all solid waste and recyclables from households residing in single family homes, duplexes or multifamily rental housing structures or condominium structures with less than four dwelling units shall be stored, collected and disposed of solely as hereinafter provided:

A. All residents of such buildings shall separate clear glass, colored glass and aluminum cans, or such other recyclables as may be designated by resolution of the Township Board of Commissioners, from the solid waste generated at their residence.

B. All residents of such buildings shall arrange and contract with the collector designated by the Township for the collection, removal and disposal of all solid waste and recyclables.

C. Collection of solid waste will be made between 5:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. in the areas and in the days designated in the collection schedule attached to this Part as Exhibit A, which schedule may be revised by resolution of the Township Board of Commissioners.

D. All residents of such buildings shall place one type of recyclable into a curbside container, i.e., all clear glass into one container, all colored glass into another container and all aluminum cans into the third container, or in such other manner as shall be established by the Township.

E. Collection of recyclables will be made at least every two weeks at each residence. Residents are responsible for placing their curbside containers at the curb or alley by 5:00 a.m. on the day of collection and removing the containers from the curb or alley, after collection, by 7:00 p.m. on the same day.

### **§ 207 Curbside Containers.**

[Ord. 1814, 8/1/1990, § 7]

1. Curbside containers issued by the Township remain Township property at all times and are to be used for, and only for, recycling storage and collection as directed by the Township.

2. Should a curbside container be damaged, lost or otherwise become unavailable for recycling use, then the members of the household shall, at their expense, immediately replace the container with a container issued or approved by the Township. Such duty of replacing a curbside container shall be imposed regardless of who may be responsible for the damage or loss of the container.

3. When any resident moves from their residence, the curbside containers shall be left at the residence for the incoming residents.

**§ 209 Prohibition of Leaf Waste.**

[Ord. 1814, 8/1/1990, § 9]

From and after September 26, 1990, no person shall include leaf waste in the solid waste to be collected by the Township's designated collector.

**§ 210 Penalty for Violation.**

[Ord. 1814, 8/1/1990, § 10]

1. Any person who violates or fails to comply with any provision of this Part shall, upon conviction thereof, be sentenced to pay a fine or penalty not to exceed \$600 per violation, and, in default thereof, to undergo imprisonment for a term not to exceed 10 days.

2. Where a residential dwelling is occupied by residents other than the dwelling owner, the duty of compliance with this Part shall rest, to the extent permitted by law, upon both the occupants and owner.

3. Where there is a failure to separate recyclables or leaf waste from a container of solid waste that has been prepared or placed for collection, a separate violation shall exist for each such container of solid waste.

4. Where there is a failure to place recyclables generated by any household in containers for collection as required by this Part;

A. There shall be a separate violation for each date of recyclable collection which such failure occurs; and,

B. Each adult in the household shall be deemed to have violated the Part.

[Ord. 1814, 8/1/1990, § 12]

In addition to any other remedy provided in this Part, the Township may institute proceedings to restrain violation of, or to require compliance with, this Part or any regulation adopted pursuant to this Part.