

Transfer Stations

REGULATIONS

1. **Do not place garbage at front of site.**
2. No hazardous waste - asbestos, bio-medical waste, chemicals, etc. as defined in the Act are strictly prohibited.
3. No burning barrels or residues.
4. No dead animals.
5. No motor oil, undrained filters, or cooking oil.
6. No pesticide containers - empty boxes only.
7. No deep freezers, air conditioners, refrigerators, **or any white goods.**
8. No batteries.
9. **NO ASPHALT SHINGLES – must be taken to Youngstown Landfill Site.**
10. No loads of dirt, waste, gravel, concrete or rocks, sewage, sludge or grain dust.
11. No jugs, containers or barrels with any substance in them.
12. No smoking on site.
13. **No loads of wood and demolition materials,**
14. Four feet maximum length. No pallets or pieces of demolition larger than 4 feet by 2 feet. **SMALL AMOUNTS ONLY.**
15. **NO tires in site. ALL TIRES** must be taken to Consort, Oyen, Youngstown or Hanna **recycling areas.**
16. Silage plastic should be tied in a large knot.
17. Wire fencing – wire that is rolled and tied and no larger than 2 feet **in diameter** and in quantities not exceeding four rolls may be accepted.
18. Transfer stations are not designed to accept loads from **large dump trucks or trailers.**
19. All loose, blowable material must be bagged before disposal at transfer station or landfill.
20. Gates must be CLOSED.

For more information contact Transfer Site Supervisor at the Regional Landfill 403-779-3890.

GUIDELINES FOR TRANSFER STATIONS

1. Please throw garbage well back.

At present some users back up to the gate with their pickups and stand inside the truck boxes and throw it over the gate. Then when people do open the gates to back in they can't because the garbage has been dropped just inside the gates. This results in the garbage being scattered out onto the gravel.

2. No hazardous waste or chemicals as defined in the Act are Strictly Prohibited. Will accept asbestos, bio-medical waste on an appointment basis only.

a. Biomedical Waste, etc. can only be disposed of at Youngstown. It must be double bagged in bright colored bags and taped and tightly packaged.

b. Asbestos is considered hazardous but if wetted down and double bagged and the operator at Youngstown Landfill is notified in advance of its arrival it can be accepted at Youngstown. There is a \$30.00 per tonne with 1 hour labor minimum charge for capping time.

c. Batteries can go to either Hanna or Oyen waste transfer stations.

3. No burning barrels or residues.

a. The Commission has spent a large amount of money repairing transfer stations damaged by fire from burning barrels that have been dumped into the transfer stations. This burn material starts the other garbage on fire and may burn and damage the metal buildings or caged area.

b. We have also experienced costly repairs to our trailers after the garbage is loaded. Fires are reignited after being fanned by the wind while travelling. Sometimes the truck driver is able to notice the fire in the trailer and will unload into a farmer's summer fallow or ditch but there is a cleanup cost.

c. Our main pit has caught on fire as well and can be very difficult to deal with.

4. No dead animals.

Exceptions are made for small animals and process residues from butcher shops and hunting. The process residues or small animals must be double bagged and placed in an area designated by the attendant. Larger animals may be disposed of at the Youngstown Landfill.

5. No motor oil.

No motor oils, undrained filters, or cooking oil are accepted. There are groups or businesses that can look after these things if contacted directly. Quantities of cooking oil will be accepted at the Youngstown Landfill.

6. **No pesticide containers – empty boxes only.**

Empty pesticide containers are to be put in the pesticide buildings or fenced area designated for pesticide containers. The metal pails are to be kept separate from the plastic containers in these pesticide areas. Cardboard boxes are to be put into the transfer station not in the pesticide area. Jugs, containers or barrels with any substance, including water, will not be accepted without testing. This separate building or fenced designated pesticide area is a temporary holding area for the collection of agriculture quantities of containers of pesticide, sterilants, weed killers, etc. No empty oil jugs or drained filters are to go in the pesticide area. Empty oil jugs and WELL drained oil filters are to be disposed of in the transfer station.

7. **No deep freezers, air conditioners or refrigerators.**

No deep freezers, or refrigerators or household air containers are to be disposed of in the transfer station. They must be kept separate from all other appliances at the transfer station as the freon has to be removed. The charge for disposing of deep freezers, air conditioners or refrigerators is \$15.00 per unit. This cost is to help defray the cost of freon removal.

If there is a designated area for appliances that is where they should be placed. They should not be put in the transfer station. Appliances that should go into these designated areas are stoves, washers, dryers and dishwashers. Household air conditioners, fridges or deep freezers are not to be placed with the appliances due to the freon and capacitors.

8. **No batteries.**

Batteries are considered hazardous and dangerous when the acid is spilled into the other garbage or splashed on the operator while loading. They may start a fire when the acid is mixed with the wrong counterparts.

9. **Only small amounts of asphalt shingles - (Ex: a wheelbarrow load.)
Trailer or pick-up and larger amounts go to Youngstown Landfill.**

Small trailer or pick-up loads of shingles placed in one area is acceptable however larger amounts must be hauled to Youngstown. Larger amounts cannot be loaded with the bobcats due to their weight. It costs the Commission a great deal of money to repair the trailer when too much dirt or asphalt shingles are loaded onto our trailer. It may not look like a large amount when pushed into larger trailer however the trailer can end up being overloaded. As well, the hydraulics does not have enough power to unload large loads and damage to the trailer can easily occur.

10. **No loads of dirt, waste, gravel, cement, sewage, sludge or grain dust.**

This material is too heavy. Sewage or sludge is not accepted. Grain dust can be hauled to landfill or private arrangements made on private property.

11. No jugs, containers or barrels with any substance in them.

No chemicals can be disposed of in any transfer station. It is best to check with Youngstown who will try to assist in this disposal. There may be a \$300.00 plus charge to test any substance, even water. This charge is the responsibility of the generator and so BCWMC will not take any liquids at all.

12. No smoking on site.

For all the same reasons as #3 and in case of fire.

13. NO DEMOLITION MATERIAL (concrete and shingles in particular).

Cost of handling and space associated with these materials has become overwhelming and underfunded.

14. Four ft. by 2 ft. maximum dimensions.

a. **The** commission realizes demolition is hard to separate but if we state 4 ft. most people will put it in 6 ft. or 8 ft. lengths. When longer than 8 ft. in any amount it is impossible to load into the trailer and keep it level with the top of our trailers so the top doors can be closed. Long pieces of wood sticking up would damage the screens on the top doors that holds all the paper, etc. from blowing out on the highways.

b. **Any amounts of wood** that can be burnt at dry sites is that much space not used up in our main landfill.

15. Tires.

All tires must be disposed of at the Dry Waste Sites at Youngstown, Hanna, Consort, or Oyen.

16. Silage Plastic.

Silage plastic must be tied into a bundle before disposal. Loose silage plastic wraps around the bobcat wheels and ramps and can take as much as an hour to untangle. As well the plastic can get tangled to the trailer floor and pulled underneath, taking a long time to unload.

17. Wire Fencing.

Fencing must be rolled into a loop shape or a ball and tied up tightly with only small amounts being accepted at the transfer stations. Larger amounts must be taken to Youngstown or arrangements for pick-up at other sites may be made by contacting Wally Whitehead at Youngstown. Loose fencing can get tangled around the bobcat wheels or the chain drive in the trailer and can take hours to untangle and may damage bearing seals.

18. Loads from 3 and 5-ton trucks.

Transfer stations are not designed to accept loads from 3 and 5-ton trucks as the garbage spreads out too far when unloading. Trucks with hoists are not allowed as they may catch in the screening.

19. All loose blowable material must be bagged before disposal at transfer station or landfill.

20. Please close gates.

Especially at the end of the day (at manned sites) to reduce litter blowing as much as possible.

**BIG COUNTRY WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMISSION
NOTICE REGARDING DEMOLITION DISPOSAL FEES AND LOCATION**

Please take note that in accordance with a Waste Commission Motion, effective December 1, 2011 ALL DEMOLITION MATERIAL (concrete and shingles in particular) will be received only at the Youngstown Landfill.

In addition the current landfill tipping fee rate of **\$30.00 per tonne** will be charged commencing at the time for all users. Occasional half-ton sized loads will be charged a \$10.00 flat rate.

Transfer stations will continue to be primarily for household waste collection and will not be receiving demolition material.

This adjustment becomes necessary as the accumulation, cost of handling, and space associated with these materials has become overwhelming and underfunded.

For further information please contact Waste Commission staff at 403-779-3890.