

CITY OF PIERZ

SOLID WASTE POLICY

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Definitions?

1.0 Garbage System:

The City of Pierz contracts with a Licensed Solid Waste Collector for collection of garbage and recycling within City limits. Customers are allowed to choose from the City of Pierz bag system or the City of Pierz can system. The rates for services of choice can be found on the fee schedule. All Customer’s will be charged a drive-by fee for *both* garbage and recycling, regardless if they use either option. Charges will be added to each Customers City of Pierz electric bill.

1.1 Garbage Requirements:

The Contractor will collect garbage every Wednesday morning.

The Contractor will only collect garbage that is placed out for collection by 6:00 am on the date of collection. Garbage cans must be placed as close to the curb as possible, with the handle facing the street and at least three (3) feet from any car, tree, mailbox, fence, or other garbage can. Lids must be completely closed for garbage to be collected. *Garbage will not be collected if the can lid does not close or if the garbage is not completely inside the garbage can.*

1.1.1 Unaccepted Items

- Electronics
- Appliances
- Motor Oil
- Hazardous Waste
- Needles or Syringes
- Yard Waste
- Loose or Hot Ashes
- Animal Waste (not contained in a bag)
- Unbagged packing pellets or sawdust
- Concrete, Rocks, or Dirt
- Bulk Items (such as carpet, mattresses, furniture, construction materials)

2.0 Recycling System:

The Contractor will collect recycling every other Wednesday morning. The dates and a list of what is/is not accepted for recycling is available under the Utilities section of the City of Pierz website, www.pierzmn.org. All Customers will receive a recycling bin to encourage participation in City-wide recycling.

2.1 Recycling Requirements

The Contractor will only collect recycling that is set out by 6:00 am on the morning of collection.

Customers will be provided with a recycling bin. The bin is a single sort bin that all recyclable materials may go in to at once. Sorting by Customers is required of any recyclable materials. Recycling is highly encouraged and will help to reduce and eliminate garbage in the City of Pierz. It will also save Customers the extra cost of potentially having to purchase a second can for extra garbage. Please take advantage of recycling and promote green living.

3.0 Garbage Can Deposit Requirement:

The City of Pierz will require a deposit on all garbage cans used by Renters. A Renter will be charged a deposit *per* can used, and the current rate can be found on the fee schedule. The deposit will last for the lifetime of the can and will be refundable in the event the Renter moves from the City of Pierz and returns the can. In the event that a Renter would like to return their can, they may contact City Hall (320.468.6471) to schedule a return and refund request. The garbage can must meet the following conditions, upon return, in order to receive a refund of their deposit (*condition of garbage can is determined at the discretion of the City of Pierz*):

- Can must be returned in original condition
- Can must be 100% operable and functional
- Can must include cover and all original parts (wheels, handles, etc.)
- Can must be cleaned, washed, and free of all garbage
- Can must be reusable by another resident
- Can must pass inspection by City of Pierz Public Works Director

4.0 Warranty and Life of Garbage Cans:

The City of Pierz will honor a warranty for the life of the can, up to ten (10) years from the date of delivery of the can to the Customer. In honoring this warranty, the City of Pierz will manage the cans and any manufactured errors in the cans. If a Customer has an issue with a malfunctioning can, and is still within their warranty period, they may contact City Hall (320.468.6471) to request a part replacement at no cost to the Customer. The can must be malfunctioning due to a manufacturer's error in order for warranty to be honored, which will be determined by the City of Pierz Public Works Director. If the can is determined to be malfunctioning due to an error or action by the Customer, the Customer will be responsible for any costs incurred in repairing the can. Beyond the ten (10) years, the Customer will be responsible for all incidents involving the can. The warranty does not cover being run over, hot ashes, or misuse by the Customer.

Mayor Signature

Clerk Signature

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