

Fees for Lane County Solid Waste Services.

This section establishes a rate schedule for disposal of solid waste at all Lane County solid waste facilities and a Solid Waste System Benefit Fee for countywide solid waste management services, assessed on all municipal solid waste generated inside Lane County. Except where otherwise clearly indicated, all individuals, firms, agencies or corporations whether Public or private, shall pay the total solid waste service fee at any of the County solid waste facilities which includes the listed Disposal Fee, the System Benefit Fee assessed against any municipal solid waste which is generated inside Lane County, and other fees as listed and further described below. All individuals, firms, agencies or corporations whether Public or private, using solid waste disposal facilities other than Lane County facilities, shall pay to Lane County the System Benefit Fee assessed against any municipal solid waste which is generated inside Lane County. The solid waste service fees are established, as follows:

- (1) User Fees for Residential, Commercial and Industrial Waste, Not Including Specific Wastes. At sites where Lane County provides scales for determining weight-based fees and the scales are functioning, the weight-based fee will be charged for all wastes. Lane County retains sole authority to charge by weight or volume and to classify loads as commercial or residential at any site.

Effective July 1, 2021

		System Benefit Fee	Disposal Fee	Other Fees	Total Fee
(a)	Up to 1 cu yard	\$ 7.50	\$ 5.00	none	\$ 12.50
(b)	More than 1 cu. yd. to 3 cu. yd.	\$ 12.00	\$ 8.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 21.00
(c)	Loose waste over 3 cu.yd	\$ 5.70/cu.yd	\$ 3.80/cu.yd	\$ 1.00/cu.yd	\$ 10.50/cu.yd
(d)	Loose waste weight- based fee	\$ 48.24/ton	\$ 32.16/ton	\$ 5.50/ton	\$ 85.90/ton
(e)	Compacted waste	\$ 48.24/ton \$ 13.91/cu.yd	\$ 32.16/ton \$ 9.28/cu.yd	\$ 5.50/ton \$ 1.00/cu.yd	\$ 85.90/ton \$ 24.19/cu.yd
(f)	Demolition, and construction waste	\$ 48.24/ton \$ 13.91/cu.yd	\$ 32.16/ton \$ 5.80/cu.yd	\$ 5.50/ton \$ 1.00/cu.yd	\$ 85.90/ton \$ 15.50/cu.yd
(g)	Rubble, roofing material, stumps, rock, dirt	\$ 48.24/ton \$ 24.00/cu.yd	\$ 32.416ton \$ 16.00/cu.yd	\$ 5.50/ton \$ 1.00/cu.yd	\$ 85.90/ton \$ 41.00/cu.yd
(h)	Compacted waste- weight-based fee at landfill	\$ 46.15/ton	\$ 30.77/ton	\$ 5.50/ton	\$ 82.42/ton

The minimum weight-based fee in any case shall be \$12.50. Except where Lane County has provided scales to determine fees based on weight of waste, minimum fees for compacted garbage collection vehicles and other enclosed vehicles shall be based upon rated cubic yard capacity regardless of the actual volume being hauled. Minimum fees for container vehicles of capacity greater than 3 cubic yards shall be based on the volume of the vehicle or container. Loads heaped above an open container will be charged based on the total estimated loose waste volume.

- (2) User Fees for Specific Waste. Where Lane County provides scales and they are working, the weight-based fee will be charged. Lane County retains sole authority to charge by weight or volume and to classify loads at any site.

		System Benefit Fee	Disposal Fee	Total Fee
(a)	Tires:			
	(i) Smaller than 17 inch rim diameter (tire only)	\$ 1.80 ea.	\$ 1.20 ea.	\$ 3.00 ea.
	(ii) Smaller than 17 inch rim diameter (including wheel)	\$ 2.40 ea.	\$ 1.60 ea.	\$ 4.00 ea.
	(iii) 17 inch through 24 inch rim diameter (tire only)	\$ 6.00 ea.	\$ 4.00 ea.	\$ 10.00ea.
	(iv) 17 inch through 24 inch rim diameter (including wheel)	\$12.15 ea.	\$ 8.10 ea.	\$ 20.25 ea.

(vi) Fee for Tires Placed in Waste Stream. Double the current tire fee based on the size of the tire and whether the wheel is present, per tire, per occurrence. This fee shall be assessed to any customer who places, or causes to be placed, any tire or tires in the disposal area of any Lane County solid waste facility.

(b) Petroleum Contaminated Soil (PCS). Only PCS that meets Lane County standards for disposal will be accepted regardless of the material being treated as waste or used as cover material. A special waste permit is required before any material is delivered to Short Mountain Landfill. PCS will be charged as follows:

	System Benefit Fee	Disposal Fee	Other Fees	Total Fee
PCS accepted for disposal	\$ 46.15/ton	\$ 30.77/ton	\$ 5.50/ton	\$ 82.42/ton

At the discretion of the Manager, or his or her authorized representative, materials, including PCS, which are accepted for beneficial use may be charged a lesser rate.

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©	Asbestos	None	\$ 114.56/ton	\$ 5.50/ton	\$ 120.06/ton
(d)	Infectious Wastes, as defined in ORS 459.386	none	\$ 114.56/ton	\$ 5.50/ton	\$ 120.06/ton
(e)	Yard Debris and Wood Waste				
	(i) Up to 3 cu.yd	\$ 42.52/ton \$ 9.00/cu.yd	\$ 28.34/ton \$ 6.00/cu.yd	\$ 5.50/ton \$ 1.00/cu.yd	\$ 76.36/ton \$ 16.00/cu.yd
	(ii) Over 3 cu.yd	\$ 4.20/cu.yd	\$ 2.80/cu.yd	\$ 1.00/cu.yd	\$ 8.00/cu.yd

Minimum charge for Yard Debris and Wood Waste: \$8.00

(f) Special wastes. A special waste is any waste material that, because of its origin, physical state or characteristics, would suggest that it may: be a hazardous waste, contain hazardous substances or wastes prohibited in municipal landfills, require additional management such as hazard review or special disposal conditions or precautions, carry potential liability to Lane County disposal sites or create unsafe or unhealthy conditions for Lane County employees or the public.

Examples of special wastes include, but are not limited to, clean-up materials from petroleum or chemical spills and or tank removals, industrial chemicals and by-products, liquids, dusts, sludges (liquid/solid mixtures), wastes in drums, tank trucks or vacuum trucks.

Prior to delivery for disposal a special waste application must be submitted to Lane County for each special waste. The special waste will be thoroughly investigated to determine that it is not considered to be a hazardous waste and that Lane County is authorized to accept it for disposal.

	System			
	Benefit Fee	Disposal Fee	Other Fees	Total Fee
(i) Application review (non-refundable)				\$ 25.00
(iv) Recycling Process Waste. The System Benefit Fee may be waived in whole or in part, at the discretion of the Manager of the Waste Management Division, for residual waste from processing recycled materials. Rates will be determined based on the amount of material being recovered to correspond with MRF recovery rates.				

Rates for other specific waste not included in the above list shall be temporarily determined by the Manager of the Waste Management Division as the need occurs until a permanent rate can be established in this section. Specific wastes may be limited to designated areas or sites. Specific waste fees shall not be subject to discounts under section (7), (8) and (9) below.

(g) White goods. Except as otherwise provided herein, white goods (stoves, refrigerators and other large appliances), water heaters, metal tanks and similar large metal items shall not be accepted for disposal at County solid waste facilities. White goods and similar large metal items may be accepted for recycling at County sites where metals recycling facilities are provided, as follows:

	System		
	Benefit Fee	Disposal Fee	Total Fee
* (i) White goods containing refrigerants and/or electric motors (refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners, etc.)	\$ 9.45	\$ 6.30	\$15.75
(ii) Other white goods and large metal items	none	none	none

* - Proposing a total fee increase to \$22.00 effective January 1, 2021. (System Benefit Fee-\$13.20, Disposal Fee- \$8.80) To provide comment on this proposed increase, please e-mail: Jeffrey.orlandini@lanecountyor.gov by 5:00pm on October 14, 2021.

The Manager of the Waste Management Division may accept white goods or similar large metal items for disposal at County solid waste facilities only when he/she determines that it is unreasonable to require that the item be recycled. In such case, the appropriate fee, (2) or (3) shall be charged for disposal of the item.

(h) Post-MRF Residues. Material recovery facility (MRF) post MRF residue fees shall be set based on the level of recovery achieved by qualifying MRFs. These fees apply only to the residual waste (waste requiring disposal after reusable and/or recyclable materials have been separated) generated by a MRF permitted by the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality. In order for a MRF to qualify for the disposal rates set forth, it must be in compliance with all permits, including but not limited to the disposal site permit issued by the Department of Environmental Quality, land use permits, etc. Further, in order to be eligible, MRFs must have satisfied any requirements for the payment of civil penalties by permitting agencies after all available appeals have been exhausted.

The disposal fees apply only to residual wastes delivered directly to the Short Mountain Landfill. The tipping fee per ton for post-MRF waste will be determined by the MRF's level of recovery based on the schedule set forth below.

In order to qualify for the post-MRF rate, permitted MRFs must submit monthly reports to the Lane County Waste Management Division by the 15th day of each month for activity occurring in the previous month. "Monthly" shall be from the 1st day of one month to the end of the month so the recovery rates will match up with billing records. Forms to be provided by the Division will require the following information:

- (i) Tons of mixed waste received at the MRF – monthly total
- (ii) A summary of outgoing tons of residual waste, reusable material, inerts and tons of recovered materials and their destinations – monthly total
- (iii) Tons of source separated material received monthly.

Monthly MRF discounts and tipping fees shall be based on the average recovery rate established during the previous twelve months for MRFs in operation longer than one year – a rolling average calculated each month. MRFs which have been in operation for longer than six months, but less than twelve months, shall receive discounts and tipping fees based on the most recent six months of activity using a six month rolling average calculated each month until they have been in operation for a full twelve months. Once in operation a full twelve months, their discounts and tipping fees will be based on a twelve month rolling average calculated monthly. MRFs which are not in operation on September 26, 2001 will receive a discount equivalent to that provided for a 23% recovery rate until such time as they are eligible for discounts and tipping fees based on a six month rolling average as described above. After review of the monthly report and approval by the Waste Management Division, the appropriate rate/discount will be applied to the current month's billing.

New MRFs must demonstrate to Lane County's satisfaction that they are making a good faith effort to accomplish reasonable recovery for the entire first year of operation. Failure to do so may be cause for Lane County to withhold discounts until such time as the MRF demonstrates an ability to accomplish meaningful recovery.

Authorized representatives of Lane County shall be permitted to inspect information from which all required reports are derived during normal working hours or at other reasonable times with 48 hours' notice. Lane County's right to inspect shall include but not be limited to the right to review records, receipts, books, maps, plans and other like materials that are directly related to the facility's recovery rate calculation. Refusal by the MRF operator to allow inspection is grounds for loss of eligibility for the post-MRF disposal credit. Failure of the records to substantially balance, or to verify the level of recovery shown in the monthly report by the end of the month shall be cause for Lane County to assume a recovery rate equal to the minimum recovery rate then in effect on the schedule of rates. That recovery rate would also become part of the rolling average.

The data in the monthly report will be used to calculate the monthly level of recovery as follows:

$$\frac{\text{Tons of Recovered Material}}{\text{Tons of Material Disposed} + \text{Tons of Recovered Material}}$$

Where total tons recovered is the amount of materials sent to market for that month.

Depending on the level of recovery, Lane County will discount the base disposal rate at the Short Mountain Landfill and charge fees as follows:

Recovery	System Benefit Fee	Disposal Fee	Other Fees	Total Fee
>20%	\$34.52	\$23.01	\$5.50	\$63.03
>25%	\$26.94	\$17.96	\$5.50	\$50.40
>30%	\$25.43	\$16.95	\$5.50	\$47.88
>35%	\$23.98	\$15.99	\$5.50	\$45.47

>40%	\$22.62	\$15.08	\$5.50	\$43.20
>45%	\$21.32	\$14.21	\$5.50	\$41.03
>50%	\$20.08	\$13.39	\$5.50	\$38.97

In the event of the catastrophic failure of a recycling market, MRF operators may petition the Lane County Waste Management Division for a decrease in the recycling recovery rate percentage necessary to achieve post-MRF discounts. The Manager of the Waste Management Division may decrease the recycling recovery rate percentage necessary for post-MRF discounts in the event MRF operators petition Lane County for a decrease due to catastrophic failure of a recycling market.

If unacceptable waste is found in a post-MRF load (i.e. tires, lead acid batteries, appliances) any per unit fees associated with tires, appliances or other unacceptable waste plus any processing fees shall be charged. If Lane County determines through its load inspections that a post-MRF load contains more than 5% putrescible waste, that load will be charged the standard non-MRF disposal fee.

Lane County reserves the right to visit and inspect MRF facilities during normal operating hours. Refusal of a MRF operator to allow such inspections will result in the loss of post-MRF discounts for the duration of such refusal.

Source separated recyclable material will not count toward the MRF's recovery rate. However, a MRF that accepts source separated recyclable material for processing or sorting may subtract 5% of the total tons of source separated recyclable material from the total tons disposed when calculating the facility's monthly recovery rate. Source separated recyclable material includes but is not limited to curbside residential and commercial recyclables that are collected commingled but separate from waste.

In order for a material to count toward a MRF's recovery rate, it must be used in the manufacture of a new product. However, materials that are diverted for fill, such as shaker fines, brick, concrete, etc., may be counted toward a MRF's recovery rate, but at only half their actual weight.

Because reuse is emphasized above recycling in the State of Oregon, a MRF may double the weight of items recovered for reuse and the doubled weight for reusable items will be applied to the calculation of the MRF's monthly recovery rate.

(i) Cover Material\$ 21.47/ton

At the discretion of the Manager, or his or her authorized representative, materials may be accepted for use as cover at the Short Mountain Landfill depending upon the characteristics of the material and the need at the landfill.

(j) Propane Tanks Up to 5 gallons in capacity.....\$ 4.50 each

This fee applies only to refillable propane tanks, not over 5 gallons in capacity. Refillable propane tanks shall be separated from other wastes and recyclables and will be accepted for recycling only.

(k) Assistance/Special Handling Fee. At the discretion of the Manager, or his or her authorized representative, fees for county assistance or special handling of waste delivered to Lane County for disposal or recycling may be charged in addition to other fees. These fees may be assessed when a customer requests assistance or the material, because of a unique nature or circumstance, requires special handling. The fee will be based on the time required for the assistance or special handling and the cost for use of equipment. The fee for labor only is \$30.00/hour per person. The fee for equipment usage will be based on the current Fleet Services hourly rate for the equipment used. When applied, these fees will be determined in quarter hour increments with a ½ hour minimum.

		System Benefit Fee	Disposal Fee	Other Fees	Total Fee
(1)	Mattresses and Box Springs	\$125.55/ton	\$83.70/ton	\$5.50/ton	\$214.75/ton
		<p>At sites without scales, mattresses and box springs will be charged as garbage at the loose waste volume rate. Maximum of four units per day.</p> <p>At sites with scales, mattresses and box springs will be charged at \$12 each for the first four units. Loads containing more than four units will be charged by weight at the rate below for the entire load. Maximum of 10 units per day.</p>			

(3) Other Fees. Unless indicated otherwise, the equivalent of \$5.50/ton or \$1.00/cubic yard thereafter as allocated and listed in (1) and (2) shall be collected to be used for solid waste regulation and management, code compliance and enforcement, or long-range planning programs in the Lane County Public Works Department, Land Management Division as directed by the Board.

(4) Out-of-County Wastes. Wastes generated outside of Lane County may be accepted, at the Manager's discretion, dependent upon circumstances, including but not limited to: the quantity of waste; the difficulty the generator is having in finding a suitable disposal location; and capacity at the landfill. Fees will be determined based on the nature of the incoming waste, the frequency of disposal, and the impact to the operation at the landfill. Out-of-County waste received on a regular basis, i.e. from another county or city, will require a contract.

(5) Waiver of Fees.

(a) The Manager of the Waste Management Division, or his or her authorized representative, may waive all or part of the appropriate fees (2) above for loads of dirt, rock, dirty wood waste or other materials when they are received at specific solid waste facilities where they can be beneficially used.

(b) In the event of disaster or emergency conditions the Director of the Department of Public Works, or his or her authorized representative, may waive fees at County solid waste facilities to assist in cleanup of private property that endangers the public safety and health as provided in the Lane County Basic Disaster Operations Plan.

(c) In the event a city government or an officially recognized community organization representing an unincorporated community or an organized service group wishes to sponsor a community or area-wide clean-up program, the Director of the Department of Public Works, or his or her authorized representative, may waive fees for disposal of materials collected during the cleanup and may specify a period during which the fee waiver will apply. Fee waivers are limited to one per year per community or area. A fee waiver may not exceed \$1,500 except for the City of Eugene which shall not exceed \$5,000 and the City of Springfield which shall not exceed \$3,000 and the total yearly aggregate of fee waivers under this section shall not exceed \$17,500.

(d) In the event an individual collects solid waste in the performance of a public service, such as picking up roadside litter or cleanup of a park area, the Director of Public Works, or his or her authorized representative, may waive fees for the disposal of the collected materials. The individual must request the fee waiver in writing and must certify in the request that the wastes result from a cleanup activity for public benefit. Fee waivers are limited to four per year per individual or household. An individual fee waiver shall not exceed \$15 and the total yearly aggregate of fee waivers under this section shall not exceed \$7,500.

(e) In the event that a benevolent/charitable organization develops waste from a specific one-time activity such as construction, repair or remodeling of their facilities, removal of underground storage tanks or other excavation on their property, the County Administrator, or his or her authorized representative, may waive the fees for the specific waste. The organization must request the

waiver in writing and describe how the waste is being generated. Fee waivers are limited to one per year per organization. A fee waiver shall not exceed \$2,000 for any single organization request.

(6) Discount for Recycling. This subsection establishes a system for discounting the fees at County solid waste facilities for recyclers by recognizing the benefits associated with the reduction of wastes. Fees for recyclers shall be discounted by the amounts listed as follows:

- (a) Entire load of recyclable items. All Fees
- (b) Partial load of recyclable items. \$ 1.00 from total fee

In order to qualify for the fee discount for a partial load of recyclable items, the total amount of recyclable material must be significant (10 pounds or more). The fee discount for recycling will only be available at solid waste sites which have recycling capability. Only items for which recycling capability is provided at each solid waste site will be eligible for the discounted fee rates.

(7) Discount for Seniors. Individuals sixty (60) years of age or older shall receive a \$1.00 per load discount from total fees at County solid waste facilities provided that such discount shall only apply on cash transactions for residential loads only. Will not apply to loads larger than six cubic yards.

(8) Discount for Charitable Recycling Organizations. Organizations that are nonprofit and are engaged as a primary form of business in the processing of abandoned goods for resale or reuse shall receive a 33.3% discount on their fees at County solid waste facilities.

(9) Ability to Reject Wastes. Any wastes may be rejected at Lane County solid waste facilities if they are deemed to be hazardous to the operation or environment, if they are prohibited by State or Federal regulations or permits, or if they include large quantities of materials which can be recovered for a beneficial purpose.