

District of Squamish

BYLAW NO. 2870, 2021

A bylaw to establish a Solid Waste Utility and regulate Solid Waste Disposal

As Amended by Bylaw 3029, 3124 and 3262

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WHEREAS

- A. The *Community Charter* empowers the District to provide any service, including any work, facility or activity, whether directly or through another Person;
- B. Council has established a service for the collection, diversion and disposal of solid waste, recyclable materials and organic materials, including collection, disposal and recycling;
- C. The *Community Charter* empowers Council to regulate, prohibit and impose requirements in relation to any municipal service;
- D. The *Community Charter* empowers Council to impose fees in relation to a service.

AND WHEREAS

- E. The District of Squamish operates a Landfill under Province of British Columbia Ministry of Environment Operational Certificate #106063, which permits the disposal of Municipal Solid Waste to a Parcel of land leased from the Province under lease number 241545;
- F. The location of the Landfill is Lots 23 and 30 of District Lot 3186, Group 1, New Westminster District, Plan 5201, comprising 5.84 hectares, and the Council of the District has completed an environmental upgrade of the Landfill site subject to requirements of the Province;
- G. The Squamish-Lillooet Regional District has adopted a Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan that approves the operation of the Landfill at this site.

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the District of Squamish, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

1.0 CITATION

- 1.1 This Bylaw may be cited as “District of Squamish Solid Waste Utility and Regulation Bylaw No. 2870, 2021”.

2.0 DEFINITIONS (As Amended by Bylaw 3029, 3124 and 3262)

2.1 In this Bylaw:

“Agricultural Waste” means Municipal Solid Waste that originates from an agricultural operation as defined pursuant to the *Environmental Management Act* and includes manure, used mushroom medium and agricultural vegetation waste;

“Approved Waste Receptacle” means a Collection Container or other commercial or municipal container that is regularly serviced and is fitted with a Wildlife Resistant locking mechanism if the receptacle is intended for Residual Waste or Organic Material;

“Assessment Roll” has the meaning set out in the *Assessment Act*;

“Banned Materials” means Residual Waste that cannot be deposited at the Landfill in accordance with Schedule D;

“Biomedical Waste” means waste defined as Biomedical Waste in the Hazardous Waste Regulation under the *Environmental Management Act*;

“Biosolid” means primarily an organic, semisolid wastewater product that remains after solids are stabilized biologically or chemically and are suitable for beneficial use;

“Bylaw Enforcement Officer” means a person appointed by the District to enforce the bylaws of the District;

“Clean Wood Waste” means Municipal Solid Waste consisting of solid wood, lumber, or pallets that is untreated, unpainted, unsoiled, unstained, and free of glues or resins; (*amended as per Bylaw 3262, 2026*)

“Collection Contractor” means the Person who collects and disposes of Municipal Solid Waste as part of the Residential Curbside Collection Service;

“Collection Container” means a container for the collection of Municipal Solid Waste in the form of Recycling, Residual Waste or Organic Material. Residual Waste or Organic Container meeting the requirements of a Wildlife Resistant Container as defined in the *District of Squamish Wildlife Attractant Bylaw No. 2053, 2009*;

“Composting” means the controlled biological oxidation and decomposition of organic matter;

“Demolition and Construction Waste” means solid waste specifically originating from the construction or demolition of residential or ICI buildings, and which is not suitable for diversion, including vinyl siding, tar roofing paper, carpet, asphalt shingles, insulation ;

“District” means the District of Squamish, a municipality under the *Community Charter*;

“District of Squamish Finance Officer” means a person designated as the Municipal Finance Officer under section 149 of the *Community Charter*;

“Dwelling Unit” means, each self-contained unit of any building occupied and used as a habitation or place of residence, which unit contains not more than one set of cooking facilities;

“Environmental Management Act” means the *Environmental Management Act* S.B.C. 2003, c.53;

“Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) Material” means materials included in the provincial EPR programs, as may be updated from time to time;

“Fee” includes any fee authorized under Fees and Charges Bylaw;

“Fees and Charges Bylaw” means the *District of Squamish Fees and Charges Bylaw*;

“Food Service Business” means operations where food is served to the public, including a restaurant, café, health care facility, delicatessen, grocery store, bakery, butcher shop, fast-food outlet, cafeteria, bar or similar place. It does not include temporary locations, such as food trucks or a Farmer’s Market stall; (*amended as per Bylaw 3124, 2025*)

“Food Waste” means fruit and vegetables, meat, bones, coffee grounds and filters, tea bags and leaves, eggshells, dairy, coffee, tea, pasta, rice, baked goods and any other such material identified and communicated by the District to the residents as suitable for collection and Composting;

“Green Waste” means Municipal Solid Waste that comprises vegetative matter resulting from gardening, landscaping or land clearing that is capable of being composted and includes grass, shrubs, tree branches, flowers, weeds, leaves, vegetable stalks, brush and tree stumps with a maximum length of 120 centimetres, but excluding snow flocked or frosted trees, Invasive Species, Clean Wood, Food Waste and Agricultural Waste; (*amended as per Bylaw 3262, 2026*)

“Gypsum” means Municipal Solid Waste that comprises board made of several plies of fiberboard, paper or felt bonded to a hardened Gypsum plaster core that is also known as drywall or Gyproc, and includes Gypsum board that has been painted or covered in wallpaper and removed during renovation and demolition; (*amended as per Bylaw 3262, 2026*)

“Hazardous Waste” means waste defined as Hazardous Waste in the Hazardous Waste Regulation under the *Environmental Management Act*.

“Industrial/Commercial/Institutional (ICI)” means businesses, industries, commercial or institutional operations including stores, offices, hospitals, schools, and other similar operations, but excludes Residential Property;

“Invasive Species” means any invasive plant species that has the potential to pose undesirable or detrimental impacts on people, animals or ecosystems, including the plants listed includes species listed in Schedule A of the BC Weed Control Regulation;

“Landfill” means any of the Municipal Solid Waste disposal facilities listed in Schedule A;

“Load” means the quantity of Municipal Solid Waste material that is or was contained within a single vehicle attending at a Landfill;

“Manager” means the Person designated by the General Manager of Community Services with the responsibility for the operations of the Curbside Collection Services and the Landfill and includes their deputy or any other Person delegated from time to time to act in their place;

“Mixed Waste” means Residual Waste containing more than a threshold of 5% Recyclable Material or Organic Material, or a combination of both Recyclable Material and Organic Material, by weight or by volume;

“Municipal Solid Waste” means all types of waste that originate from residential, light industrial, commercial, institutional, demolition, land clearing or construction sources or any other Residual Waste, Recyclable Material or Organic Material specifically included in the Squamish Lillooet Regional District’s Solid Waste Management Plan under the *Environmental Management Act*;

“Occupational Health and Safety Regulation” means the Occupational Health and Safety Regulation B.C. Reg. 296/97 enacted under the *Workers Compensation Act*;

“Occupier” in addition to the persons identified in the definition of “occupier” in the *Community Charter*, includes contractors, licensees at Special Events and other temporary users of land or premises including construction, deconstruction, demolition, and similar activities; (*amended as per Bylaw 3029, 2024*)

“Opaque Bag” means a solid colour plastic garbage bag that can’t be seen through, and includes non-transparent household pet waste bags;

“Organic Material” means compostable material as listed in Schedule C, and for clarity includes all Food Waste, Yard Green Waste, and food soiled paper, but excludes pet waste and all plastic bags, including compostable or biodegradable bags; (*amended as per Bylaw 3262, 2026*)

“Owner” of land means the registered owner of an estate in fee simple, and also includes:

- (i) the tenant for life under a registered life estate,
- (ii) the registered holder of the last registered agreement for sale,
- (iii) the registered tenant of land under a Strata Lot lease pursuant to Part 3 of the *Strata Property Act*,
- (iv) a strata corporation or cooperative association, and
- (v) in dealings with the District, the agent of the Owner, authorized in writing by and acting on behalf of the Owner;

“Parcel” means a lot, block, or other area in which real property is held, or into which it is subdivided;

“Person” as defined in section 29 of the *Interpretation Act*;

“Premises” means land composed of one or more Parcels upon which any building or group of buildings may be located and includes buildings located on land under common ownership or management;

“Radioactive Waste” means waste defined as Radioactive Waste in the Hazardous Waste Regulation under the *Environmental Management Act*;

“Reactive Waste” means waste defined as Reactive Waste in the Hazardous Waste Regulation under the *Environmental Management Act*;

“Recyclable Material” means that class of Municipal Solid Waste that for Served Properties is Residential Curbside Recycling or for Unserved Properties is listed under Schedule B;

“Recycling Regulation” means the Recycling Regulation, B.C. Reg. 449/2004 enacted under the *Environmental Management Act*;

“Residential Curbside Collection Fee” means a fee assessed against each Dwelling Unit, as set out in the *Fees and Charges Bylaw*, to pay for residential collection of Residual Waste, Organic Material and Recyclable Material;

“Residential Curbside Recycling” means the products under an approved plan for the packaging and paper product category in Schedule 5 Packaging and Paper Product Category of the *Recycling Regulation*; and are accepted for Curbside Collection through the RecycleBC Program;

“Residential Property” means a Parcel which is “Class 1” (Residential) property as defined by the Prescribed Classes of Property Regulation (B.C. Reg. 438/81) of the *Assessment Act*;

“Residential Curbside Collection Service” or “Service” means the District’s municipal service to collect and dispose of Municipal Solid Waste;

“Residual Waste” means any material that is not suitable for reuse, composting or recycling programs and for which there is no opportunity for resource recovery and which must be disposed of at a Landfill in accordance with the terms of this Bylaw;

“Served Property” means a Residential Property receiving Residential Curbside Collection Services pursuant to section 4.2 of this Bylaw;

“Solid Waste Management Plan” see “Waste Diversion Management Plan”; (*amended as per Bylaw 3124, 2024*)

“Special Event” means an organized occasion, whether of a public or private nature, including, but not limited to, a festival, parade, musical attraction, community celebration, sporting event, wedding and charitable event; (*amended as per Bylaw 3262, 2026*)

“Strata Unit” means a Parcel that:

- (i) is held by Strata lot Lease under Part 3 (Leasehold Strata Plans) of the *Strata Property Act*;
 - (ii) is a Strata Lot as defined in section 1 of the *Strata Property Act*; or
 - (iii) is a Strata lot created by a “bare land Strata plan” as defined in section 1 of the *Strata Property Act*.
- (iv) but excludes Strata Duplexes;

“Strata Duplex” means a strata or Co-op Residential Property classified as “duplex – single unit ownership” on the most recent Assessment Roll;

“Tipping Fee” means the Fee charged by the District, pursuant to the Fees and Charges Bylaw, for depositing Municipal Solid Waste at Landfills, and directed to the costs of operation of the Solid Waste system other than those costs covered by the residential collection system;

“Unserviced Property” means any Premise or Parcel that is not a Serviced Property, which may include, but is not limited, to ICI, Strata Unit;

“Waste Diversion Management Plan” means a plan that:

- (i) describes how the Solid Waste generated will be separated, stored and disposed of in accordance with this Bylaw;
- (ii) includes measures to reduce the generation of Solid Waste that cannot be recycled or composted; and
- (iii) prepared using the District’s template, when available; (*amended as per Bylaw 3124, 2024*)

“Wildlife Resistant” means resistant to access by bears or other wildlife in accordance with District of Squamish Wildlife Attractant Bylaw No. 2053, 2009;

- 2.2 Any terms used in this Bylaw that are not otherwise defined herein, but that are defined in the *District Zoning Bylaw 2200, 2011*, shall have the meaning set out in the *District Zoning Bylaw 2200, 2011*.
- 2.3 Except as otherwise stated, a reference to a statute in this Bylaw refers to a statute of British Columbia, and a reference to a statute, regulation, bylaw or other enactment refers to that enactment as it may be amended or replaced from time to time.
- 2.4 If any portion of this Bylaw is held to be invalid, it shall be severed and the remainder of the Bylaw shall remain in effect.

3.0 GENERAL REGULATIONS

- 3.1 Every Owner and Occupier of any Parcel in the District which generates any form of Municipal Solid Waste must ensure that the Residual Waste originating on that Parcel is collected and disposed of in strict compliance with the provisions of this Bylaw.
- 3.2 A Person who has been delivered a notice or an order for compliance by the Manager must comply within the time period stipulated in the notice or order.
- 3.3 Every Person disposing of Residual Waste or Organic Material must, for that purpose, use only an Approved Waste Receptacle.
- 3.4 Each Owner and Occupier must do all of the following in respect of an Approved Waste Receptacle:
 - (a) maintain it in a clean and sanitary condition;
 - (b) ensure the locking mechanism (if required) is in working condition;

- (c) ensure the Approved Waste Receptacle is locked at all times other than during collection period;
 - (d) ensure it does not become noxious, offensive or dangerous to public health;
 - (e) ensure that the Approved Waste Receptacle does not overflow;
 - (f) clean up spillage from the Approved Waste Receptacle;
 - (g) prevent liquid from entering or accumulating in the Approved Waste Receptacle;
 - (h) keep the Approved Waste Receptacle free from liquid.
- 3.5 Except where the Residential Curbside Collection service is being provided, every Owner and Occupier of an Unserved Property, and every Person responsible for a Special Event or other temporary use where Residual Waste is produced, must ensure that clear transparent bags are used to collect Residual Waste.
- 3.6 Despite section 3.5, no more than ten percent (10%) of Residual Waste may be included in Opaque Bags to allow for the private disposal of personal items. Household pet waste and disposable diapers disposed of in Opaque Bags will not be counted towards the ten percent (10%) allowance, but the District may audit Opaque Bags to ensure compliance with the intention of section 3.5.
- 3.7 The District may from time-to-time conduct waste audits to ensure conformity with this Bylaw.
- 3.8 A Person must not obstruct or interfere with a Collection Contractor, Bylaw Enforcement Officer or other service provider or representative of the District from carrying out their functions pursuant to this Bylaw.
- 3.9 A Person is not, by complying with this Bylaw, relieved of the obligation to observe the requirements of all federal, provincial and municipal enactments by reason of the Service provided by the District or a private service.
- 3.10 No person shall litter, place, leave, scatter, dump or dispose of any Residual Waste, Recyclable Material, Organic Material or any other material.

Regular Disposal of Municipal Solid Waste

- 3.11 At least twice each month, every Owner or Occupier must dispose of, or arrange for the collection and disposal of, all Municipal Solid Waste which the Owner or Occupier, or any employee, agent, contractor, tenant, or other licensee or invitee of the Owner or Occupier, produces or collects on such property, in the following manner:
- (a) using, if eligible under section 4.2, the District's Residential Curbside Collection Service;
 - (b) contracting with a private contractor who operates a Municipal Solid Waste collection and disposal service; or,

- (c) removing, or arranging for the removal of, such Municipal Solid Waste to the Landfill or another location for lawful disposal of the materials.

4.0 RESIDENTIAL CURBSIDE COLLECTION SERVICE *(As Amended by Bylaw 3124, 2024)*

- 4.1 The Residential Curbside Collection Service, established in *The District of Squamish Solid Waste Utility and Regulation Bylaw No. 2251, 2012* to collect, recycle and dispose of Municipal Solid Waste, as modified by subsequent amending bylaws and the regulations contained in this Bylaw, is hereby continued.
- 4.2 Subject to section 4.3 and section 4.4, the District only provides Residential Curbside Collection Services to Residential Properties that are not otherwise excluded by this Bylaw or a decision of the Manager. The Manager has the authority to make a final determination of a Parcel's eligibility to receive Residential Curbside Collection Services.
- 4.3 A residential Strata Unit may receive Residential Curbside Collection Service where:
 - (a) the Premises consists only of townhomes or Strata Duplexes;
 - (b) the Owners have passed a resolution approving the provision of Residential Curbside Collection Service for the Premises, including each Strata Unit; and
 - (c) Manager has approved the delivery of the Services.

In all other circumstances, a Strata Unit will be considered to be part of a Unserved Property and must comply with part 5.
- 4.4 A residential building containing more than three Dwelling Units is not eligible to receive Residential Curbside Collection Service.
- 4.5 Despite section 4.3, the District retains the discretion to discontinue or suspend Residential Curbside Collection Service to any previously approved Premises in accordance with Section 4.8(c). *(amended as per Bylaw 3124, 2024)*
- 4.6 The amount of Services provided to a Served Property is correlated to the Fees paid for the Services, including the size of the Residual Waste and Organic Material Collection Containers. The District may provide additional Services to a Served Property if the Owner of the Served Property requests additional Services for an additional Dwelling Unit, for a different size of Residual Waste Collection Container or for an additional Organic Material or Recycling Container. *(amended as per Bylaw 3124, 2024)*

Contamination *(amended as per Bylaw 3124, 2024)*

- 4.7 Every Owner or Occupier of a Served Property must ensure that:
 - (a) all Residual Waste in the Residual Waste Collection Container is bagged;
 - (b) Organic Materials, Residential Curbside Recycling and Residual Waste are placed in the appropriate Collection Container;

- (c) the Organics Collection Container contains only Organic Materials listed in Schedule C to this Bylaw, without contamination;
- (d) the Recycling Collection Container contains only Residential Curbside Recycling, without contamination;
- (e) Residual Waste Collection Containers do not contain the following by weight or by volume above the Mixed Waste threshold:
 - (i) One or more item of the Residential Curbside Recycling material; or
 - (ii) Organic Materials described in Schedule C; and
- (f) No Collection Containers contain materials described in Schedule D (Banned Materials).

General Conditions of Service

- 4.8 The following additional terms and conditions apply to the Residential Curbside Collection Service provided under this Bylaw:
- (a) the District will not be liable for any damages suffered or costs incurred by any Person by reason of the failure of the District to supply Service;
 - (b) the Service will be provided to each Owner and Occupier of a Serviced Property on a biweekly basis as scheduled and publicized annually by the District, as updated from time to time;
 - (c) the District may discontinue or suspend Service to a Serviced Property at its sole discretion, where:
 - (i) the Manager makes a determination that a Serviced Property is in continued breach of any provision of this bylaw after 30 days' written notice of the breach has been sent to the Owner or Occupier; *(amended as per Bylaw 3124, 2024)*
 - (ii) the Manager makes a determination that a Residential Property previously receiving Residential Curbside Collection Services is no longer eligible for the Service based on a change in use or an error in determining that the Residential Property was eligible for the Service under this Bylaw, or
 - (iii) the Collection Contractor has requested under section 4.10 of this Bylaw that the District discontinue providing Residential Curbside Collection Services; and
 - (d) except for manifest errors, the records of the District relating to the Service performed by the District will be conclusive;
 - (e) where the District has discontinued or suspended Service to a Serviced Property in accordance with section 4.8(c), the Owner or Occupier of the property shall dispose of all solid waste generated from the property via delivery to the Landfill or another location for lawful disposal of the materials. *(amended as per Bylaw 3124, 2024)*

Authority of Manager

4.9 The Manager may do or authorize the Collection Contractor to do the following in respect of a Collection Container:

- (a) repair, alter, remove or replace the Collection Container if, in the opinion of the Collection Contractor or a person designated by the Manager, the repair, alteration, removal or replacement of the Collection Container is necessary to effectively provide the Residential Curbside Collection Service; and
- (b) to collect from a Serviced Property excess Municipal Solid Waste, upon proof that a Fee for such additional service has been collected in advance or that no such Fee is required.

Authority of Collection Contractor

4.10 The Collection Contractor has the authority to

- (a) request the District discontinue providing Residential Curbside Collection Services to a Serviced Property where its configuration results in safety risks to the Collection Contractor, its staff or residents, which request may be approved by the Manager after consultation with the Owner or Occupier of the Serviced Property on ameliorating such safety risks; and
- (b) decline to provide the Residential Curbside Collection Services to a Serviced Property on a collection day if the Serviced Property does not comply with the provisions under parts 3.0 and 4.0.

Collection Containers

4.11 The following rules apply in respect of Collection Containers:

- (a) The Collection Container remains the property of the Collection Contractor.
- (b) The Collection Container is assigned to a specific address by the Collection Contractor and must remain with that Parcel if the Owner or Occupier moves.
- (c) The Owner and Occupier are responsible for the costs of any damage to a Collection Container caused by willful or accidental damage to the container that is not caused by normal wear and tear, by the actions of the Collection Contractor, or by wildlife.
- (d) The Owner or Occupier must use only the Collection Containers supplied by the Collection Contractor when placing Municipal Solid Waste outside the Serviced Property for collection and disposal.
- (e) The Owner of each Dwelling Unit may choose the size of Residual Waste Collection Container that best meets their needs and the Fees charged will reflect the size of the container, which subject to section 4.12, the sizes are approximately as follows:
 - (i) a small container is 35 gallons / 132 litres;
 - (ii) a medium container is 65 gallons / 246 litres; and

(iii) a large container is 95 gallons / 356 litres.

- (f) An Owner or Occupier must not fill a standard Residual Waste Collection Container in its possession:
 - (i) to a gross weight that exceeds 100kg or such lower weight as may be specified by the Collection Contractor based on the load capacity of its equipment;
 - (ii) to the extent that the lid does not close;
 - (iii) to the extent that the District cannot easily empty the contents; or
 - (iv) to exceed the maximum volume associated with the size of the Collection Container.
- (g) Subject to paragraph (h), every Owner or Occupier must place all Collection Containers intended for collection on the lane abutting the Premises as close to the travelled portion of the lane as possible without creating an obstruction to traffic, cyclist and pedestrians, in accordance with the *District of Squamish Traffic Bylaw*.
- (h) Where the Premises are not serviced by a lane or where the District is of the opinion that Premises cannot be adequately serviced by a lane because of configuration or insufficient width, Collection Containers must instead be placed on the boulevard in front of the Premises and as close to the curb as possible, or where no curb is present, the roadway portion of the Highway, in accordance with the *District of Squamish Traffic Bylaw*.
- (i) Where the Premises are serviced by a lane, Collection Containers must be kept at ground level at the lane and readily accessible from the lane.
- (j) A Person who uses a Collection Container must place the container for collection in a location free from obstructions at least one metre horizontally on all sides of the Container and three metres vertically above the Container.
- (k) Where circumstances peculiar to any Premises do not permit compliance with the requirements of paragraphs (g), (h), or (i), the Manager may approve an alternate location for the placing of Collection Containers.
- (l) Collection Containers must be used in accordance with the regulations in the *District of Squamish Wildlife Attractant Bylaw No. 2781, 2020*.

4.12 The District may change or substitute the Collection Containers contemplated by this Bylaw. If the District changes or substitutes the Collection Containers, the Fees charged for the Services will be for the nearest type and size of Collection Container contemplated by this Bylaw.

5.0 UNSERVICED PROPERTIES *(As Amended by Bylaw 3124, 2024 and Bylaw 3262, 2026)*

5.1 Every Owner or Occupier of an Unserviced Property shall:

- (a) arrange for the collection and removal of Municipal Solid Waste by a private service provider engaged for that purpose;
- (b) provide Acceptable Waste Receptacles for the Residual Waste, Recyclable and Organic Materials that is generated at the Premises;
- (c) ensure that adequate space is provided on the Premises to accommodate the appropriate Acceptable Waste Receptacles;
- (d) replace any lost or stolen Acceptable Waste Receptacles at their cost;
- (e) place all Acceptable Waste Receptacles in accordance with the *District of Squamish Traffic Bylaw*;
- (f) provide written information to new residents, tenants, employees and contractors, and at least annually to all existing residents, tenants, employees and contractors on how to separate and deposit Residual Waste, Organic Materials and Recyclable Materials into the correct Acceptable Waste Receptacles and provide information on the District's *Wildlife Attractant Bylaw*; and
- (g) post signage, of sufficient size and number, with information on separating Residual Waste, Organic Materials and Recyclable Materials on the Premises and in the disposal area, as well as information pursuant to the District's *Wildlife Attractant Bylaw*.

Contamination: (Amended as per Bylaw 3124, 2024 and Bylaw 3262, 2026)

5.2 Every Owner or Occupier of an Unserviced Property shall ensure that:

- (a) All Residual Waste in the Residual Waste Approved Waste Receptacle is bagged;
- (b) Organic Materials, Recyclable Materials and Residual Waste are placed in the appropriate Approved Waste Receptacle, without contamination;
- (c) The Organics Approved Waste Receptacle contains only Organic Materials listed in Schedule C to this Bylaw, without contamination;
- (d) The Recyclable Collection Container contains only Recyclable Materials listed in Schedule B to this Bylaw , without contamination;
- (e) If the Owner has contracted for collection Recyclable Materials, the Recyclable Materials' Approved Waste Container(s) for collection contains only those Recyclable Materials for which the Owner has contracted for collection and alternate arrangements are made to recycle any other Recyclable Materials which are not contracted for collection;
- (f) Residual Waste Approved Waste Containers do not contain the following by weight or by volume above the Mixed Waste threshold:
 - (i) One or more item of the Recyclable Material; or

- (ii) Organic Materials described in Schedule C; and
- (g) No Approved Waste Containers contain materials described in Schedule D (Banned Materials).

6.0 LANDFILL

- 6.1 If the weigh scale system at a Landfill is not functioning, whether due to a power outage, mechanical failure or any other reason, at their discretion the Manager may either:
- (a) close the Landfill until the weigh scale system is functioning; or
 - (b) permit a Person to deposit a single Load at the Landfill subject to the following:
 - (i) the Tipping Fees set out in *Fees and Charges Bylaw* will apply to the Load; and
 - (ii) the Person must obtain an estimated Tipping Fee, or weigh at another location approved by the District and supply weigh slips from that location.

7.0 LANDFILL REGULATIONS (*amended as per Bylaw 3262, 2026*)

- 7.1 No Person shall dispose of any material, substance or object at a Landfill except in accordance with this Bylaw.
- 7.2 No Person shall dispose of any Banned Materials, as listed in Schedule D, or those listed in Schedules B & C as Residual Waste at the Landfill, unless prior to disposal, written approval for that material is obtained from the Manager.
- 7.3 No person shall dispose of any Banned Materials, as listed in Schedule D within the boundaries of the District, except at disposal facilities authorized by a government body for that purpose.
- 7.4 No Person shall dispose of any Loads that emit odours, fumes or particulate matter, including dust, which causes or is capable of causing material discomfort to a Person at a Landfill.
- 7.5 No Person shall dispose at a Landfill any Loads characterized by oily materials, substances or objects, or any materials containing liquid or semi-liquid material.
- 7.6 No Person shall engage in harassing, discriminatory, offensive or objectionable conduct while using the Landfill, all persons must comply with the Site Code of Conduct. (*amended as per Bylaw 3262, 2026*)
- 7.7 No Person shall dispose of any Gypsum in a Landfill, except as directed by the District. Any Gypsum accepted for Recycling must be free of asbestos.
- 7.8 No Person shall deposit or dispose of Municipal Solid Waste at a Landfill unless it originates from within the boundaries of the Squamish Lillooet Regional District.

- 7.9 At the direction of the Manager and while on the Landfill, a Person entering the Landfill with a Load must ensure the Load is tied, tarped, covered or otherwise secured to prevent any waste from escaping while the vehicle is in motion or at a standstill.
- 7.10 Subject to this Bylaw, no Person shall dispose of Municipal Solid Waste within the boundaries of the District except in the Landfill, using an Approved Waste Receptacle, or at another authorized disposal facility.
- 7.11 Every Person using the Landfill shall only deposit Municipal Solid Waste as directed by Landfill staff or signage in accordance with this Bylaw.
- 7.12 Other than as authorized by the Manager, no Person shall enter the Landfill except for the purpose of disposal of Municipal Solid Waste and only during the posted open hours of the Landfill. No Person shall scavenge or salvage material from the Landfill without prior approval of the Manager.
- 7.13 No Person shall smoke anywhere within the Landfill boundaries, or otherwise cause any open flame for any reason.
- 7.14 No Person shall dispose of more than 5 mattresses per day at the Landfill recycling drop-off, unless prior to disposal, written approval for the additional number of mattresses is obtained from the Manager.

8.0 WASTE DIVERSION MANAGEMENT PLANS *(amended as per Bylaw 3124, 2024)*

- 8.1 Every Food Service Business shall submit a Waste Diversion Management Plan when applying for a business license.

9.0 FEES

Authority to Establish Different Fees *(amended as per Bylaw 3124, 2024 and Bylaw 3262, 2026)*

- 9.1 The *Fees and Charges Bylaw* may establish a different Fee to be charged for the disposal of Municipal Solid Waste, including, but not limited to, establishing:
 - (a) a minimum Tipping Fee for the disposal of any Municipal Solid Waste;
 - (b) a surcharge to be applied to loads with Banned Materials;
 - (c) different Tipping Fees to be charged for individual items described in the *Fees and Charges Bylaw*;
 - (d) different Tipping Fees to be charged by weight for different categories of Municipal Solid Waste as described in the *Fees and Charges Bylaw* such as Clean Wood Waste, Demolition and Construction Waste, Dirty Wood Waste, Gypsum;
 - (e) different Tipping Fees to be charged by weight for different categories of Municipal Solid Waste as described in the *Fees and Charges Bylaw*; *(amended as per Bylaw 3262, 2026)*

- (f) different rates for the Residential Curbside Collection Fee based on the size of the Residual Waste Container.

Payment Due as Allocated

- 9.2 Every Owner is responsible to pay the applicable Fees set out as Residential Curbside Collection Fees in the *Fees and Charges Bylaw*.

Billing and Collections

- 9.3 The District of Squamish Collector shall classify each consumer in accordance with the categories set out in the *Fees and Charges Bylaw*, and the Owner is liable for the appropriate rate.
- 9.4 The rate chargeable under this section, in the calendar year of initial occupancy, shall be one-twelfth (1/12) of the full rate as set out in the *Fees and Charges Bylaw* multiplied by the number of full months remaining in the calendar year following receipt of final occupancy permit issued by the District's Building Department.

Due Date

- 9.5 All Fees set out in *Fees and Charges Bylaw*, except where otherwise indicated in this Bylaw, are payable on or before the first business day of July of each year.
- 9.6 Partial annual fees charged between January 1 and April 30 are due and payable on or before the first business day in July of each year. Partial fees charged after April 30th are due and payable on or before December 31 of each year.

Change in Use (Amended as per Bylaw 3124, 2024)

- 9.7 Every Owner or Occupier of Premises must notify the District's Finance Officer in writing of any change in use of the Premises or other matter which may affect a Fee payable under *Fees and Charges Bylaw*.
- 9.8 Any change under paragraph 8.7 entitling the Owner or Occupier to a reduction in a Fee or to a refund of a Fee paid in advance will take effect on the first of the month following the receipt of notice or from the date of actual change, whichever is later.
- 9.9 For existing Owners, changes to Residual Waste Container sizes or requesting an additional Organic Material or Recycling Container will be allowed once annually.
- A change of Collection Container size application must be made to the District of Squamish prior to October 31 with sufficient time to allow for processing, with the change to be effective in the following year.
 - There will be a one-time intake of additional Organic Material or Recycling Containers, which will end on January 31, 2025.

Each change will be subject to an administrative fee established in the *Fees and Charges Bylaw*.
(Amended as per Bylaw 3124, 2024)

- 9.10 If ownership changes for a property receiving Residential Curbside Collection Service, the new Owner will be permitted to change the Residual Waste Collection Container size one time in the year of property purchase, with proof of ownership change; however, any fee increase or decrease will be effective January 1st of the following year. Each change will be subject to an administrative fee established in the *Fees and Charges Bylaw*.

Reimbursement During Construction

- 9.11 Despite section 8.2, if the Owner of a residential Dwelling Unit:

- (a) demolishes that Dwelling Unit and constructs a new residential Dwelling Unit in its place; and
- (b) provides the District of Squamish Finance Officer with copies of the demolition permit for the demolished Dwelling Unit and an occupancy permit for the new residential Dwelling Unit;

then, where the period between the dates of the demolition permit and the occupancy permit exceeds 12 calendar months and the Collection Containers are returned to the District, the District will reimburse the Residential Curbside Collection Fees paid by the Owner under the *Fees and Charges Bylaw*, for the number of whole calendar months that occur during that period, by way of billing credit.

Interest, Penalties and Costs (As amended by Bylaw 3029, 2024)

- 9.12 If all or part of an annual rate imposed on an Owner under this bylaw is due and payable and remains unpaid in the year levied after the first working day in July, the owner shall be subject to a penalty equal to 5% of the unpaid amount. *(As amended by Bylaw 3029, 2024)*
- 9.13 If all or part of an annual rate imposed on an Owner under this bylaw is due and payable and remains unpaid in the year levied after the last working day in July, the owner shall be subject to a second penalty equal to 5% of the unpaid amount. *(As amended by Bylaw 3029, 2024)*

Scheduled Fees Apply

- 9.14 Fees imposed for Residential Curbside Collection Services reflect the District's cost of providing all Municipal Solid Waste services and such Fees cannot be broken down into component parts. No Owner or Occupier shall have the right to pay separately for individual Residential Curbside Collection Services.

Collection of Unpaid Fees

- 9.15 The Fees and other amounts payable under this Bylaw, in the amounts set out in the *Fees and Charges Bylaw*, with respect to Residential Curbside Collection Service, are a special fee and may form a charge or lien on the Parcel or the strata corporation to which Service is allocated or to which Service is provided.

- 9.16 Any Fees or other amounts owing to the District that are not paid in full by December 31st may be added to the tax roll of the Parcel and may be collected from the Owner in the same manner as for property taxes in arrears.

Tipping Fees (*amended as per Bylaw 3262, 2026*)

- 9.17 Subject to paragraph 8.18, every Person depositing Municipal Solid Waste at a Landfill must pay to the District the applicable Tipping Fees in the Tipping Fee amounts set out in the *Fees and Charges Bylaw* before the Person leaves the Landfill.
- 9.18 If a person attends the Site with a Load that contains multiple material types, and the person chooses not to weigh-out after dropping off each material type, then the person must pay the highest Tipping Fee of the material types disposed of, for the entire Load, together with any applicable Surcharges. (*As added by Bylaw 3262, 2026*)
- 9.19 In the event that a customer is not fully on the weigh scale when the weight is collected for the scale ticket, the Manager may, at their discretion, pull the previous three-five (3-5) tickets with the same license plate and same material type, and charge the customer the average of those tickets. (*As added by Bylaw 3262, 2026*)

Exemption of Tipping Fee

- 9.20 Tipping Fees are not payable in any one of the following circumstances:
- (a) by a registered participant in a Pitch-in week initiative;
 - (b) by a Person or participant in a District approved community clean-up program;
 - (c) by a customer who is weighing their materials as part of their compliance with The District of Squamish Demolition Waste Diversion Bylaw No 2813, 2021; and
 - (d) in other circumstances where the disposal of Municipal Solid Waste at no charge provides some other benefit to the District, and does not provide assistance, or greater advantage, to a business, and is approved at the discretion of the Manager.

Mixed Waste Rate

- 9.21 Every Person who deposits a Load at a Landfill that contains a quantity of Recyclable Material or Organic Material that exceeds the Mixed Waste threshold must pay the Banned Materials rate in the amount set out in the *Fees and Charges Bylaw*. Such determination will be calculated by the Landfill staff, either at the scale house upon entry, or upon dumping.

10.0 ADMINISTRATION

- 10.1 This Bylaw is administered by the Manager, who may:
- (a) create, amend, publish and prescribe any forms, notices, policies, codes of conduct, or any other documents that may be convenient for the administration of this Bylaw;

- (b) issue notices and orders for compliance;
 - (c) supervise, control and direct the collection, removal and disposal of Residual Waste, Organic Material and Recyclable Material from any Premises in the District;
 - (d) commence enforcement proceedings in court; and
 - (e) take such other steps that the Director or Council considers relevant to ensuring the objects and purposes of this Bylaw are carried out.
- 10.2 Any notice or order for compliance sent by the Manager pursuant to this Bylaw is deemed to have been received by the person to whom it is directed:
- (a) if delivered in person, on the date that it was delivered;
 - (b) if delivered by mail, on the 5th business day after it is mailed; and
 - (c) if posted on the property, on the day following it's posting.
- 10.3 The Manager may temporarily or permanently restrict the access of any Person to the Landfill for conduct that contravenes the provisions of this Bylaw. A Person whose right of access has been restricted pursuant to this section may request, in writing, a review of the Manager's decision by the General Manager of Community Services.

11.0 OFFENCE, ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTY

- 11.1 A Person who:
- (a) contravenes, violates or fails to comply with a provision of this Bylaw;
 - (b) fails or neglects to do anything required to be done under this Bylaw; or
 - (c) causes, permits, suffers or allows any action or thing to be done in contravention of this Bylaw, or any order or direction made under this Bylaw,
- commits an offence, and where the offence occurs or continues for more than one day, each day that the offence occurs or continues shall amount to a separate offence.
- 11.2 Any person convicted of an offence in a prosecution under the *Offence Act* is liable to pay:
- (a) A minimum fine of no less the general penalty established by the *Offence Act*; and
 - (b) A maximum fine of no more than the maximum fine established by the *Community Charter*.
- 11.3 This Bylaw may be enforced by means of:
- (a) prosecution under the *Offence Act*;

- (b) a municipal ticket under Schedule R of the *District of Squamish Municipal Ticket Information Bylaw*, pursuant to Division 3 of Part 8 of the *Community Charter*;
- (c) a bylaw notice under the *Local Government Bylaw Notice Enforcement Act* and the *Bylaw Notice Enforcement Bylaw No. 2418, 2015*; or
- (d) any other remedy that would otherwise be available at law to the District at law, including injunction or other civil remedies.

12.0 SCHEDULES AND REPEAL

- 12.1 Schedules A, B, C and D are attached to and form part of this Bylaw.
- 12.2 “District of Squamish Solid Waste Utility and Regulation Bylaw No. 2547, 2017” and all amendments is repealed.

READ A FIRST, SECOND and THIRD time this 16 day of November, 2021.

RECONSIDERED AND FINALLY ADOPTED this 7 day of December, 2021.

Armand Hurford, Mayor

Melissa von Bloedau, Corporate Officer

SCHEDULE “A” LANDFILL

Solid Waste Utility and Regulation Bylaw No. 2870, 2021

Lots 23 and 30 of District Lot 3186, Group 1, New Westminster District, Plan 5201, comprising 5.84 hectares, as expanded or replaced from time to time.

SCHEDULE “B”

RECYCLABLE MATERIALS FOR UNSERVICED PROPERTIES

Solid Waste Utility and Regulation Bylaw No. 2870, 2021 (*amended as per Bylaw 3262, 2026*)

The materials listed in this Schedule are suitable for collection and disposal from Unserviced Properties, and is not intended for Residential Properties receiving Residential Curbside Collection Services.

1. Corrugated Cardboard
2. Glass Containers or Products
3. Boxboard (e.g. cereal box, shoe box)
4. Moulded boxboard, (e.g. egg cartons, beverage carry-out trays)
5. Paper bags with single and multiple layers (e.g. pet food bags)
6. Shredded paper
7. Paper like products (e.g. newspaper, magazines, flyers, envelopes, writing paper, and computer paper)
8. Packing styrofoam
9. Beverage containers
10. Rigid plastic containers
11. Scrap metal
12. Metal cans and lids
13. Plastic bottles, jugs and jars with caps and lids
14. Plastic clamshells, trays and tops, tubs and lids
15. Plastic cold drink cups and lids
16. Clean plastic garden plant pots
17. Dirty Clean Wood Waste;
18. Green Waste;
19. Any other material approved by the Solid Waste Manager as part of a District waste diversion program, Provincial Stewardship or Extended Producer Responsibility Program, or other similar programs.

SCHEDULE “C”
ORGANIC MATERIALS

Solid Waste Utility and Regulation Bylaw No. 2870, 2021 (*amended as per Bylaw 3262, 2026*)

The materials listed in this Schedule are applicable to both Unserviced Properties and Serviced Properties.

1. Food Waste;
2. Food Soiled Paper such as napkins, paper plates, or pizza boxes;
3. Green Waste and other plant materials (including cannabis plant byproduct), excluding invasive species;
4. Any other material approved by the Manager as part of a District waste diversion program, Provincial Stewardship or Extended Producer Responsibility Program, or other similar programs.

**SCHEDULE “D”
BANNED MATERIALS**

Solid Waste Utility and Regulation Bylaw No. 2870, 2021 (*amended as per Bylaw 3262, 2026*)

The following items are banned from the Landfill for the purposes of this bylaw:

1. Mixed Waste;
2. Agricultural Waste;
3. automobile parts and bodies;
4. Waste that is on fire, smouldering, flammable or explosive;
5. Empty oil containers identified in “Schedule 2 – Residual Product Categories” to the *Recycling Regulation*;
6. Oil filters identified in “Schedule 2— Residual Product Categories” to the *Recycling Regulation*;
7. Paint products identified in “Schedule 2 — Residual Product Categories” to the *Recycling Regulation*;
8. Pesticide products identified in “Schedule 2 – Residual Product Categories” to the *Recycling Regulation*;
9. Pharmaceutical products identified in “Schedule 2 – Residual Product Categories” to the *Recycling Regulation*;
10. Solvents and flammable liquids identified in “Schedule 2 – Residual Product Categories” to the *Recycling Regulation*;
11. Electronic and electrical products identified in “Schedule 3 – Electronic and Electrical Product Category” to the *Recycling Regulation*;
12. Tires identified in “Schedule 4 – Tire Product Category” to the *Recycling Regulation*;
13. Mattresses;
14. Extruded Styrofoam;
15. Hazardous Waste;
16. Creosote treated wood or railroad ties;
17. Propane Tanks;
18. Inert fill material including soil, sod, gravel, concrete and asphalt exceeding 0.5 cubic metres per Load, excluding materials meeting the District’s specifications for landfill cover, road building, and closure where the disposal of the materials has been approved by the Manager.;
19. All battery types;
20. Liquids and sludges;
21. Metal household or commercial appliances;
22. Dead animals without the express permission of the Manager;
23. Excrement or manure, excluding household pet waste;
24. Soil contaminated with Invasive Species
25. Barrels, drums, pails or other large (45 gallon or greater) liquid containers, whether full or empty;
26. Radioactive Waste or Reactive Waste;
27. Any single object that:
 - a) weighs more than 100 kilograms,
 - b) exceeds 3500 centimetres squared in cross section at any point, or
 - c) exceeds 2.5 metres in length;
28. Fabricated objects exceeding 1.2 metres in width or thickness and 2.5 metres in length or 3 cubic metres in volume;
29. New or used Gypsum (drywall);
30. Any material that would cause undue risk of injury or occupational disease to any person at the

Squamish Landfill and Transfer Station or that would otherwise contravene the Occupational Health and Safety Regulation (B.C. Reg. 296/97) enacted pursuant to the Workers Compensation Act, as amended or replaced from time to time;

31. Biomedical Waste; and
32. Any other material which the Manager, Site Supervisor or Medical Health Officer considers hazardous or unsuitable to handle.