

# **BALDWIN COUNTY COMMISSION**

POLICY #7.1		
Subject	Bulky Waste, White Goods and Yard Waste Pick Up Policy for Residential Customers of the Baldwin County Solid Waste Department	
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# **POLICY STATEMENT**

This policy is based on Resolution #2017-020. The Solid Waste Department will provide one (1) Bulky Waste, White Goods, Light Construction and/or Yard Debris pickup per month to all residential garbage customers in good standing with the department at no extra charge.

#### PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENT

- 1. Each resident may request one (1) free scheduled pickup per month.
- 2. The pickup may consist of Bulky Waste, White Goods, Light Construction and/or Yard Debris *Limit of four (4) cubic yards (not to exceed eight (8) cubic yards) per pickup.*
- 3. Waste or Debris generated by a Contractor is not eligible for pickup.

### **DEFINITIONS AND RULES**

- 1. **Bulky Waste** means furniture, small appliances, mattresses, carpet/linoleum (rolled or bundled), pool liners, toys, auto tires, and light construction (from home self-repairs). Construction items consisting primarily of glass cannot be picked up curbside.
  - a. Limit of four (4) tires per pickup (no larger than 20" in diameter).
  - b. Construction and Demolition Waste generated by a contractor is not eligible.

- 2. White Goods means refrigerators, ranges, water heaters, air conditioners, console televisions,
  - a. exercise equipment, toilets, swing sets \* and other large appliances.
    - 1. \*Swing sets taken down and broken apart are acceptable.
- 3. **Yard Waste** means material resulting from landscape maintenance, including but not limited to, grass clippings, leaves, mulch and twigs, etc.
  - a. Grass clippings, mulch and leaves should be bagged.
  - b. Tree trunks or limbs over six (6) inches in diameter and over six (6) feet long are not considered yard waste. Smaller twigs and branches should be bundled, secured or piled together for manageable pickup by knuckle boom truck with grapple/claw.
  - c. Tree Service and Lawn Maintenance vegetation generated by a contractor is not eligible.

\*Customers can have one (1) Bulky Waste, White Goods, Light Construction and/or Yard Debris pickup per month - *Limit of four (4) cubic yards (not to exceed eight (8) cubic yards) per pickup.* 

- d. A cubic yard means a volume the same as a cube that is one yard on each edge. In other words, it is 3 feet wide by 3 feet deep by 3 feet high. Some common approximations of cubic yard measurements:
  - i. One standard stove = 1 cubic yard
  - ii. Two standard refrigerators = 4 cubic yards
  - iii. The bed of a regular size pick-up truck filled to the top of the cab = 4.5 cubic yards

Do not place items under power lines or within four (4) feet of any other object (mailboxes, fire hydrants, fences, trees etc.). Items/Material must be placed neatly in separate piles on the right of way as different trucks may be utilized in the pickup process.

### **BUNDLED WASTE AND BULKY WASTE**

Cardboard material, which does not fit into a garbage can, shall be bundled. Bundles shall be bound securely together so as to avoid disintegration or spillage when lifted or moved. Bundles shall not exceed two (2) feet by two (2) feet by four (4) feet in size and fifty (50) pounds in weight. The Department strongly encourages that cardboard material be taken, by the resident, to the nearest recycle facility. Bundled cardboard that cannot be transported to a recycle facility or exceeds the above size and/or weight restrictions should be scheduled as a Bulky Pickup.

The Department will collect White Goods, Bulky Waste, Light Construction and/or Yard Waste from residential units on a **call for service basis** for no additional charge based on the policy outlined above. **Contact the Department's dispatcher at (251) 972-6878 to set up a date for pickup**. Each residential unit may opt to bring monthly approved bulky waste, white goods, light construction and yard waste to Magnolia Landfill, Bay Minette Transfer Station, or MacBride Landfill for disposal at no charge based on the policy outlined above. This service is provided for waste generated from the residential and home business use of the property on curbside pickup. **The customer's residential account must be current to receive these services at no charge. If the residential customer is not current, they can still bring the items to the landfill and pay the normal scale fees to dispose of the item(s).** 

When the pickup request exceeds the free service level and limitations set forth above, the customer will receive a courtesy call and/or notice to contact Solid Waste for alternative disposal options.

Should a residential unit in good standing choose to utilize the Baldwin County Solid Waste Department to pick up and dispose of additional approved materials, a service fee of \$100.00 for a half truck load or \$200.00 for a full truck load will be charged to the requesting residential unit. **Payment for additional services must be made to the Department before service is rendered.** 

# COMMUNITIES/HOMEOWNER/PROPERTY OWNER ASSOCIATIONS

Communities/Homeowner/Property Owner property owner associations requesting monthly neighborhood sweeps shall be considered by the Solid Waste Officer but may not be feasible in all service areas. However, if approved, monthly sweeps would be offered in lieu of scheduled free bulky and/or yard debris pickups. If affected customers need additional pickup outside of monthly sweep, a special pickup may be requested for the fees outlined above.

### FORMS/ATTACHMENTS/EXHIBITS

N/A