

**WAC 480-70-226 Tariffs, definitions used in.** (See WAC 480-70-041 for definition of general solid waste terms.) Unless the language or context indicates that a different meaning is intended, the following words, terms and phrases have the following meanings:

**"Bale"** means material compressed by machine and securely tarped or banded.

**"Bulky materials"** means empty carriers, cartons, boxes, crates, etc., or materials offered for disposal, all of which may be readily handled without shoveling.

**"Commercial billing"** means solid waste collection service:

Billed to a commercial customer; or

Billed to, and paid for, by a property manager or owner rather than a residential tenant.

**"Compacted material"** means material which has been compressed by any mechanical device either before or after it is placed in the receptacle handled by the collector.

**"Loose material"** means material not set out in bags or receptacles, including materials which must be shoveled.

**"Pass-through fee"** means a fee collected by a solid waste collection company on behalf of a third party when the fee is billed directly to the customer without markup or markdown.

**"Permanent service"** means container and drop-box service provided at the customer's request for a period of more than ninety days.

**"Rate"** means a price per unit or per service. A rate is multiplied times the number of units transported or the number of times a service is performed to determine a charge.

**"Rate design"** and **"rate structure"** mean the relationship between rates charged for different solid waste service options offered to customers within the same class (residential, commercial or drop box). Neither of the terms includes setting specific rates for specific services.

**"Residential billing"** means solid waste collection service billed to and paid for by the resident.

**"Solid waste receptacle"** includes the following items, with the following meanings:

- **"Automated cart"** means a cart designed to be picked up and emptied by mechanical means. The specific type and size are to be defined in rate items.

- **"Can"** means a receptacle made of durable, corrosion-resistant, nonabsorbent material that is watertight, and has a close-fitting cover and two handles. A can holds more than twenty gallons, but not more than thirty-two gallons or four cubic feet. The maximum weight of an empty and filled can will be established in each company's tariff.

- **"Cart"** means a wheeled plastic container. A cart may also be referred to as a toter. If supplied by a customer, a cart must be compatible with the collector's equipment. The size and type of cart that is compatible will be established in each company's tariff.

- **"Container"** means a detachable receptacle (normally designed to hold at least a cubic yard of solid waste) from which materials are collected by mechanically lifting the receptacle and emptying the contents into the company's vehicle.

- **"Drop box"** means a detachable receptacle used to provide solid waste collection service by the receptacle being placed on the collector's vehicle by mechanical means and transported to a disposal site.

- **"Drum"** means a metal or plastic container of approximately fifty-gallon capacity, generally used for oils or solvents. The maximum weight allowed in a drum will be established in each company's tariff.

- **"Litter receptacle"** means a container not over sixty-gallon capacity, generally placed in shopping centers and along streets or highways for litter. The maximum weight allowed in a litter receptacle will be established in each company's tariff.

- **"Micro-mini can"** means a can made of durable, corrosion-resistant, nonabsorbent material that is watertight and has a close-fitting cover. A micro-mini can may not hold more than ten gallons. The maximum weight allowed in a micro-mini can will be established in each company's tariff.

- **"Mini can"** means a can made of durable, corrosion resistant, nonabsorbent material that is watertight and has a close-fitting cover. A mini can may not hold more than twenty gallons. The maximum weight allowed in a mini can will be established in each company's tariff.

- **"Recycling bin or container"** means a bin or container designed or designated for the collection of recyclables. The size and type of recycling bin or container will be established in each company's tariff.

- **"Toter"** means a wheeled plastic container. A toter may also be referred to as a cart. If supplied by customer, a toter must be compatible with the collector's equipment. The size and type of toter that is compatible will be established in each company's tariff.

- **"Unit"** means a receptacle made of durable, corrosion-resistant, nonabsorbent material, that is watertight, and has a close-fitting cover and two handles. A unit holds more than twenty gallons, but not more than thirty-two gallons or four cubic feet. The maximum weight of an empty and filled unit will be established in each company's tariff.

Where agreed on between the company and the customer, and where allowable under local ordinance, a box, carton, cardboard barrel or other suitable container may be substituted for a solid waste can, for a single pick-up that includes removal of the container, if it meets the size and weight limits established in the carrier's tariff.

- **"Yardwaste bin or container"** means a bin or container specifically designed or designated for the collection of yardwaste. Each carrier's tariff will refer to a specific type of yardwaste bin or container to be used by customers in a service area. The type, size, weight, etc., of this type of bin or container will often be set by local government plans or ordinances.

- **"Special pick-up"** means a pick-up requested by the customer at a time other than the regularly scheduled pick-up time, but which does not involve the special dispatch of a truck. If a special dispatch is required, the company will assess time rates established in the company's tariff.

- **"Temporary service"** means providing container or drop-box service at the customer's request, for a period of ninety days or less.

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