

Chapter 85
RECYCLING

- § 85-1. Title.**
- § 85-2. Definitions.**
- § 85-3. Program established.**
- § 85-4. Separation of recyclables; placement for disposal.**
- § 85-5. Multifamily dwellings.**
- § 85-6. Commercial and institutional establishments.**
- § 85-7. [Repealed]**
- § 85-8. Alternative collection of recyclable materials.**
- § 85-9. Collection by unauthorized persons.**
- § 85-10. Development plans to include recycling provisions.**
- § 85-11. Enforcement and administration.**
- § 85-12. Violations and penalties.**

[HISTORY: Adopted by the Common Council of the City of Corbin City 5-14-1990 as Ord. No. 3-90. Amendments noted where applicable.]

§ 85-1. Title.

This chapter shall be known and may be cited as the "Recycling Ordinance of the City of Corbin City."

§ 85-2. Definitions.

The words, terms and phrases used in this chapter shall have the following meanings:

ALUMINUM CANS. All aluminum beverage containers and aluminum pet food or other containers.

CARDBOARD OR CORRUGATED PAPER. Clean, heavy box materials commonly known as "cardboard boxes" and similar have paper packaging containers that are

free of plastic, foam and other contaminants, also including food packaging boxes and other commercial packaging that is free of food contaminants, plastic, wax and foam materials that would make it undesirable for recycling purposes. All cardboard and packaging must be opened and flattened for ease of handling.

COMMERCIAL ESTABLISHMENTS. Those properties used primarily for commercial purposes.

FERROUS CONTAINERS. Empty steel or tin food or beverage containers.

GLASS CONTAINERS. Bottles and jars mad of clear, green or brown glass. Expressly excluded are non-container glass, plate glass, blue glass and porcelain and ceramic products.

INSTITUTIONAL ESTABLISHMENTS. Those facilities that house or serve groups of people, including but not limited to hospitals, schools, nursing homes, libraries and government offices.

MULTIFAMILY RESIDENCES. All residential living units containing four (4) or more dwelling units.

PAPER. Newsprint and other forms of paper and paper products, such as magazines, telephone books, catalogs, white office paper, computer paper, etc., excluding those soiled (i.e., containing carbon, adhesive or plastic) or unfit due to health and/or sanitary reasons. Newspapers shall also be deemed soiled if they have been exposed to substances rendering them unusable for recycling (i.e., water).

PERSON. Every owner, lessee and occupant of a residence, commercial or institutional establishment within the boundaries of the City of Corbin City.

PLASTICS. Plastic, soda, juice and liquor bottles, plastic laundry and dish detergent bottles, plastic bleach bottles, and, in addition, any plastic bottles or containers that have the recycling symbol or the initials PETE or HDPE stamped on the container.

RECYCLABLE MATERIALS. Those materials which would otherwise become municipal solid waste and which may be collected, separated or processed and returned to the economic mainstream in the form of raw materials or products.

RESIDENCE. Any occupied single or multifamily dwelling having up to four (4) dwelling units per structured from which a municipal or private hauler collects solid waste.

SOLID WASTE. Garbage, refuse and other discarded solid material normally collected by a municipal or private hauler.

PERSON. Every owner, lessee and occupant of a residence, commercial or Institutional establishment within the boundaries of the City of Corbin City.

PLASTICS. Plastic, soda, juice and liquor bottles, plastic laundry and dish

detergent bottles, plastic bleach bottles, and, in addition, any plastic bottles or containers that have the recycling symbol or the initials PETE or HDPE stamped on the container.

RECYCLABLE MATERIALS. Those materials which would otherwise become municipal solid waste and which may be collected, separated or processed and returned to the economic mainstream in the form of raw materials or products.

RESIDENCE. Any occupied single or multifamily dwelling having up to four (4) dwelling units per structured from which a municipal or private hauler collects solid waste.

SOLID WASTE. Garbage, refuse and other discarded solid material normally collected by a municipal or private hauler.

§ 85-3. Program established.

There is hereby established a mandatory program for the separation of the following recyclable materials from the municipal solid waste stream by all persons within the City of Corbin City hereinafter referred to as the "municipality", as follows:

- A. Residences and multifamily residences shall recycle aluminum cans, glass containers, plastic containers, newspapers and paper goods.
- B. Commercial and institutional ESTABLISHMENTS shall recycle aluminum cans, glass containers, plastic containers, cardboard, newspapers and paper goods, such as white office paper and computer paper.
- C. As the municipality sees fit to include other recyclable materials in the program, all persons falling under this chapter will be required to separate these items from the municipal solid waste stream.

§85-4. Separation of recyclables; placement for disposal.

- A. The recyclable materials designated in §85-3 of this chapter, excluding newspapers, shall be put in a suitable container, separate from other solid waste, and placed at the curb or such other designated area for collection at such times and dates as may be hereinafter established in the municipality's recycling regulations. The container for recyclable materials shall be clearly labeled and placed at the curb or such other designated area for each collection.
- B. Newspapers shall be bundled and tied with twine or placed in a kraft paper (brown paper) bag and placed at the curb or other designated area for collection at such times and dates as are established in the municipality's recycling regulations. The maximum weight of each bundle of Newspapers shall not exceed thirty (30) pounds (approximately twelve (12) inches high).
- C. Aluminum and glass containers shall be rinsed, lids removed and placed commingled, in said suitable container.

- D. Plastic containers shall be rinsed, lids removed, flattened and placed in a suitable container.
- E. Cardboard shall be flattened and placed alongside other recyclable materials.
- F. White office paper and computer paper shall be placed in a kraft paper (brown paper) bag or in a suitable container separate from the other recyclable materials.

§85-5. Multifamily dwellings.

- A. The owner/manager or association of every multifamily dwelling (apartment, townhouse or condominium) shall designate space for the placement and storage of newspaper, glass, aluminum, plastic and all other recyclable materials. The owner/manager or association also has the option of arranging for curbside pickup service from the Atlantic County Utilities Authority. All lessees/owners of these dwelling units shall be required to separate items as mention in §85-3 and place them in a designated place.
- B. All multifamily residences that provide private collection for recyclable materials named in §85-3 of this chapter shall submit written documentation to the municipality and to the Atlantic County Utilities Authority, by June 1, the total amounts of recyclables collected in the prior calendar year. The only exception to this collection and documentation method will be if the multifamily dwelling is serviced by the Atlantic County Utilities Authority collection program. Multifamily residences have the choice of private or county collection for recycled materials, but the Municipal Recycling Coordinator and Atlantic County Utilities Authority must be notified of the collection method selected.

§85-6. Commercial and institutional establishments.

Commercial and institutional establishments may transport their recyclables to the containers at the municipal drop-off facility or to the Atlantic County intermediate processing facility or contact with a private hauler to collect them. It is the responsibility of the commercial or institutional establishment to properly separate or have separated and store or have stored all recyclable items on its premises prior to periodic disposal of these materials. Yearly documentation of amounts recycled by a private hauler must be made to the City Clerk Administrator and the Atlantic County Unities Authority prior to June 1 for the preceding calendar year. Materials taken to the county facility will be recorded for the municipality. Municipal records will be maintained for materials disposed of at the drop-off facility and credit given to those participating commercial and institutional establishments accordingly. The only exception to this collection method is if the commercial or institutional establishment participates in the Atlantic County collection service program.

§85-7. Repealed.

§85-8. Alternative collection of recyclable materials.

Any person may donate or sell recyclable materials to individuals or organizations authorized by the municipality in its recycling regulations. These materials may either be

delivered to the individual's or organization's site, or they may be placed at the curb for collection by said individual or organization on days in the municipality's recycling regulations. Said individuals or organizations may not collect recyclable materials on or within the twenty-four (24) hours immediately preceding a regularly scheduled curbside collection day and shall, prior to June 1 of each year, provide written documentation to the municipality of the total amount of material recycled during the preceding calendar year.

§85-9. Collection by unauthorized persons.

It shall be a violation of this chapter for any unauthorized person or organization to collect, pick up or cause to be collected or picked up within the boundaries of the municipality any of the recyclable materials designated in §85-3 of this chapter. Each such collection in violation of this chapter shall constitute a separate and distinct offense punishable as hereinafter provided.

§85-10. Development plans to include recycling provisions.

In accordance with the New Jersey Statewide Mandatory Source Separation Recycling Act of 1987, proposals for new developments of fifty (50) or more single-family units and/or five (5) multifamily units and/or one hundred (100) square feet or more of commercial or industrial space must incorporate provisions in the site plan for recycling. Master Plans must be updated for recycling every three (3) years and must incorporate a recycling plan element into the Municipal Master Plan.

§85-11. Enforcement and administration.

- A. The municipal governing body is hereby authorized to establish and promulgate reasonable regulations to be adopted by resolution detailing the manner, days and times for the collection of the recyclable materials designated in §85-3 of this chapter. Such regulations shall take effect only upon the approval of the Municipal Council by adoption of a resolution implementing the same. The municipality is hereby authorized and directed to enforce the provisions of this chapter and any implementing regulations adopted hereunder. The position of the Municipal Recycling Coordinator as per N.J.S.A. 13:1E-99.13b(1) is hereby established and will be held by the person who shall be appointed by resolution of the Municipal Council. The municipal recycling coordinator's name and telephone number shall be forwarded to the Atlantic County Utilities Authority.
- B. Noncollection of solid waste contaminated by designated recyclables. The municipality or any other person collecting solid waste generated within the municipality may refuse to collect solid waste from any person who has clearly failed to source-separate recyclables designated under any applicable section of this chapter.

§85-12. Violations and penalties.

- A. Any person, firm or corporation violating the provisions of any section of this chapter shall be issued warnings for the first and second offense and will then be subject to a fine of not less than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) nor more than Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) for each offense and/or fifteen (15) to ninety (90) days' community service and/or up to ninety (90) days' jail

sentence.

- B. Each and every day in which a violation of any of the provisions of this chapter exists shall constitute a separate offense.
- C. Any person, firm or corporation placing non-recyclable materials at the recycling drop-off facility within the City of Corbin City shall be subject to a fine of not less than One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars nor more than Two Thousand (\$2,000.00) Dollars for each offense.