

RESIDENTIAL REFUSE COLLECTIONS

Kitimat has a very efficient collection system for residential curb-side refuse. Residents can assist in keeping costs to a minimum and minimizing wildlife interaction by conforming to the following:

- a. Keep all refuse in bear proof containers or enclosures and do not place containers at curbside before 4:00 am on the scheduled pick up day.
- b. Use approved water-tight refuse receptacles constructed of galvanized metal or rigid plastic for putrescible waste. Receptacles must not exceed 46 cm (18 inches) in diameter or 72 cm (28 inches) in height. Plastic bags may be used for paper and plastic waste. **A maximum of 3 cans, or 6 bags, per residence will be picked up.**
- c. Do not overload containers - maximum weight of any receptacle for pick up is 35 kg (75 lbs.). As the containers must be manually dumped, weights in excess of this amount are unacceptable and may be left at curb side.
- d. Prepare refuse properly - thoroughly drain and wrap garbage in paper before placing in refuse receptacles. Particulate matter (dust, hair, sawdust, ashes, etc.) must be wrapped or bagged. Ashes must be properly quenched.
- e. **Clippings from shrubs and trees will be picked up during residential collections providing they are compactly and securely tied in bundles not exceeding 1.2 m (4 feet) in length and 0.5 m (1 ½ feet) in diameter.**
- f. Sharp objects (needles, glass) require special attention and must be packaged in unbreakable containers.

Questions or concerns regarding refuse collection can be made directly to our Contractor, **Geier Waste at 250-632-4689.**

SUGGESTIONS FOR WASTE REDUCTION

Reduce

Reduction is the most effective means to decrease the impact of refuse on the environment. When you buy an item, ask yourself if you really need it. Avoid items that are over-packaged, buy second-hand, rent, or share items. Compost yard and kitchen wastes.

Re-Use

Re-using products, or buying re-usable products is another efficient way to reduce the amount of refuse entering the environment. Using cloth instead of paper products for cleaning is one way of re-using materials instead of throwing them out with the trash. Repair broken items rather than buying new. Donate old clothes and items to charity. Use your own cloth shopping bags. Pack lunches in lunch kits instead of paper bags.

Recycle

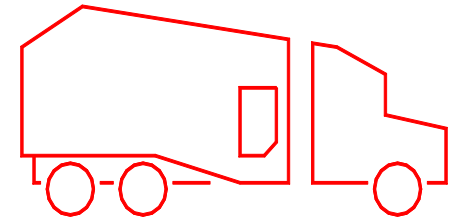
Many items in every day use can be recycled. In addition to bottles & containers, Kitimat Bottle Depot located at 428 Enterprise Ave. also collects clean cardboard and other multi materials, See website for detailed list: <http://www.return-it.ca/locations/kitimat-bottle-depot/>

KUTE operates a recycling depot at 316 Railway Avenue to handle newspaper, bond office paper, computer paper, glossy magazines, clean cardboard, paint, tin, aluminum nickel-cadmium, lithium and alkaline batteries cell phones, small appliances, and fluorescent lights.

KUTE Depot Hours of Operation

Mon. - Fri.	9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Saturday	11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

More detailed information can be obtained by phoning **250-632-6633.**



REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL INFORMATION

District of Kitimat
Engineering Services Department

270 City Centre
Kitimat, B.C. V8C 2H7
Phone: (250) 632-8900
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REFUSE SITE INFORMATION

Hours of Operation

The hours the refuse site is accessible to the public are limited to allow more efficient operation. Effective April 1, 2004, the hours of operation, are as indicated below:

Day	Summer Hours (April 1 - Sept. 30)	Winter (Oct. 1 - Mar. 31)
Monday	1:00- 8:00 p.m.	11:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Tuesday	Closed	Closed
Wednesday	1:00 - 8:00 p.m.	11:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Thursday	1:00 - 8:00 p.m.	11:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Friday	1:00 - 8:00 p.m.	11:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Saturday	11:00 - 5:00 p.m.	11:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Sunday	11:00 - 5:00 p.m.	11:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Statutory Holidays - 11:00 - 5:00 p.m. except closed New Years Day, Easter Sunday, July 1 st & Christmas Day		

Site Attendant

A site attendant will be on duty at the Refuse Site for all hours that the site is open to the public. The entrance gate will be locked at all other times.

Commercial users requiring access at other times may make their own arrangements with the refuse site operator.

Refuse Segregation

Refuse must be segregated and deposited in specific locations as shown by directional signs and as directed by the site attendant. Currently wood, tires, batteries, automobiles, appliances and domestic refuse areas have been designated.

Special and Hazardous Wastes

Certain waste materials **will not** be accepted for **burial** at the site, such as clean cardboard, batteries, car tires, used motor oil, anti-freeze, solvents, paint, friable asbestos, etc. Contact the **Recycling Hotline at 1-800-667-4321** for more information. Automotive batteries and car tires may be deposited in the designated area of the refuse site.

Used Motor Oil & Filters

Residents who do their own vehicle maintenance can dispose of the used oil and filters at no charge by taking them to the nearest recycling collection facility in the area refer to website:

<http://www.rcbc.ca/recyclepedia/search>

Turpentine/Paint Solvents

What to do with used turpentine? Reuse it as much as possible by allowing turpentine to sit in a sealed jar until paint particles settle. Pour off clear liquid and use again.

Tipping Fees per load

There will be no charge for self-hauled residential refuse disposal. However, for commercial loads the following tipping fees apply and must be paid on site.

Single-axle vehicle less than 1 ton	\$ 10.00
Single-axle vehicle greater than or equal to 1 ton	\$ 20.00
Tandem-axle vehicle up to 15 cu yds.	\$ 30.00
Loads over 15 cu. yds. up to 30 cu. yds.	\$ 50.00
Loads over 30 cu yds. up to 43 cu. yds.	\$100.00
Loads over 43 cu. yds.	\$150.00

Who Operates the Refuse Site?

The District of Kitimat holds the waste management permit for the refuse site, but has contracted **Andrew Towse Waste Management**, to provide landfilling services, **phone 250-632-3501**.

Scavenging

Scavenging is not allowed at the Municipal Refuse Site. Limited scavenging may be permitted by the Contractor in designated areas. The site attendant will be able to advise if there is an area where scavenging is allowed.

What Happens When I Go to the Dump with a Pick-Up Load of Old Junk from my Yard?

Directional signs and the site attendant will direct you to the proper location for dumping this refuse. Depending on your load, you may be directed to one or more locations to allow proper segregation of waste.

I Operate a Trucking Business, Can I Still Bring Truck Loads of Excavation Material to the Refuse Site?

Yes, excavation materials can be delivered to the refuse site, and providing they meet certain specifications, there will be no charge for their disposal at the location designated by the site attendant. The material must be clean excavated material, with a minimum of woody organics.

**For more information on disposing of household hazardous wastes contact the Ministry of Environment Office
Phone 250-847-7260.**