

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF STRONG**  
**By-law 2023-031**

**Being a By-Law for Establishing and Maintaining a System for the Disposal  
of Garbage, Recyclable Material, Yard Waste, and Other Refuse Within the  
Municipality**

**WHEREAS** subsection 10(1) of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25, as amended, authorizes a municipality to provide any service or thing the municipality considers necessary or desirable for the public;

**AND WHEREAS** subsection 10(2) of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, C.25 as amended, authorizes a municipality to pass by-laws respecting the health, safety, and well-being of persons, the services and things the municipality is authorized to provide, and the protection of persons and property;

**AND WHEREAS** subsection 11(3) of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, C.25 as amended, authorizes a municipality to pass by-laws respecting waste management;

**AND WHEREAS** subsection 319(1) of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, C.25 authorizes a municipality to impose fees and charges on persons;

**AND WHEREAS** the Township of Strong has passed by-law 2021-011, as amended, to establish fees and charges for various services provided by the municipality, including, but not limited to the disposal of items at the municipal landfill sites;

**AND WHEREAS** Section 425 of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, C.25, as amended, states that a municipality may pass By-laws providing that a person who contravenes a By-law of the municipality passed under this Act is guilty of an offence;

**AND WHEREAS** pursuant to Section 426 of the of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, C.25, as amended, states no person shall hinder or obstruct, or attempt to hinder or obstruct any person who is exercising a power or performing a duty under a by-law passed under this Act;

**AND WHEREAS** section 436 of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c.25, as amended, a municipality has the power to pass by-laws providing that the municipality may enter on land at any reasonable time for the purpose of carrying out an inspection to determine whether a by-law of the municipality passed under the Act is being complied with.

**AND WHEREAS** it is in the interest of the Municipality and its ratepayers that the amount of waste material generated be reduced, that wherever possible such material be reused or recycled, that the environment be protected from contamination by hazardous substances, and that the lifetime of existing landfill sites be extended.

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Strong enacts as follows:

**Definitions**

**“Almaguin Recycling Initiative”** shall mean the organization of cooperating municipalities responsible for the organization and administration of the designated Hazardous Waste disposal days;

**“Biomedical Waste”** shall mean whether solid or liquid, including but not limited to, any animal or human organ or part thereof, bone, muscle, or animal or human tissue or part thereof, used bandages, poultices, dressings, vials or any other similar material or substance which contains or may contain pathogenic micro-organisms or which may be hazardous or dangerous;

**“Council”** shall mean the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Strong;

**“Construction Waste”** shall mean waste or debris is any kind of debris from the construction process, including but not limited to, wood, shingles, drywall, insulation, concrete, bricks, carpet, tiles, cabinets, countertops;

**“Commercial Waste”** shall mean waste generated from the operation of a business but shall not include any form of hazardous waste, any byproducts of an industrial activity, any items returned to a business, or any items deemed by the operating authority as unable to be processed at the Municipal Landfill Sites;

**“Domestic Waste”** shall mean the waste products commonly generated by a dwelling;

**“General Waste”** shall include domestic and solid non-hazardous, non-recyclable refuse and other wastes as designated and as approved by the Ministry of Environment, Conservation, and Parks;

**“Township”** shall mean the Corporation of the Township of Strong;

**“Landfill Card”** shall mean a card provided to “users” which allows access to the Municipal Landfill Sites;

**“Municipal Landfill Sites”** shall mean the real property owned by the Municipality at:

- **Con 10, Lot 31, 483 Forest Lake Road – known as Landfill #1**
- **Con 3, Pt. Lot 10, 950 Muskoka Rd – known as Landfill #2**

Where there is a license issued by the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation, and Parks for the Operation of a Waste Disposal Site;

**“Operating Authority”** shall mean the Corporation of the Township of Strong;

**“Hazardous Waste”** shall mean waste requiring special care as defined by the Environmental Protection Act;

**“Household Waste”** shall have the same meaning as “domestic waste”;

**“Landfill Attendant”** shall mean any person employed by the Township of Strong to operate the Municipal Landfill Site;

**“Landfill Card”** shall mean an access pass issued by the Operating Authority for the purposes of granting access to the Municipal Landfill Sites;

**“Municipality”** shall mean the Corporation of the Township of Strong;

**“Municipality Under Contract”** shall mean a municipality which has entered into a contract with the Township of Strong for the use of the Municipal Landfill Sites;

**“Officer”** shall mean a person appointed in the Township of Strong as a Municipal Law Enforcement Officer, or a member of the Ontario Provincial Police;

**“Prohibited Materials”** shall mean those materials and items listed in Schedule “A” of this by-law or material that the Operating Authority has refused to accept for disposal or recycling after inspection of same;

**“Recyclable”** shall mean those classifications of waste capable of being diverted from normal household waste stream;

**“Refuse”** shall mean the same as waste;

**“Re-use Center”** shall mean an area designated for users to place or remove items that are deemed reusable to other users. Landfill staff can determine if an item is reusable, if not reusable the appropriate fee shall be applied for disposal;

**“User”** shall mean an owner of a residence, or a tenant of land entitled to place refuse into the Waste Disposal Site;

**“User (Commercial)”** shall mean an owner/operator of an industrial, commercial, or institutional facility/business within the Township of Strong or a Municipality Under Contract;

**“Scavenging”** shall mean the process of finding items for the purpose of reuse;

**“Salvaging”** shall mean the process of finding items for the purpose of reuse;

**“Vacant Land”** shall mean land with no houses or other permanent structures. Land with accessory structures and no primary use shall be deemed vacant;

**“Waste”** shall include domestic and solid non-hazardous, non-recyclable refuse and other waste as designated and as approved by the Ministry of Environment, Conservation, and Parks;

## **1. Operation of the Municipal Landfill Sites**

**1.1** The Municipality shall operate a Municipal Landfill Site on the designated property owned by the Township. The use of the landfill for the disposal of refuse is a privilege and not a right that is extended to all residents and ratepayers in the Township and such municipalities or persons from whom the Council may, by contract agree to accept refuse and recyclables.

**1.2** The Municipal Landfill Sites shall be operated by the Corporation of the Township of Strong, who shall constitute the Operating Authority.

**1.3** The Operating Authority shall set prescribed fees for the disposal of refuse or defined classes of refuse to ensure the future operations of the landfill sites.

**1.4** The Operating Authority shall issue Landfill Cards granting access to the Municipal Landfill Site to properties within the Township of Strong and those municipalities under contract, subject to the following conditions:

(a) One (1) landfill card shall be issued per property.

(i) Where a property has multiple tenants, the Operating Authority may issue additional landfill cards upon the submission of a written lease agreement.

(ii) The Operating Authority retains the right to refuse applications for additional landfill cards made under clause 1.4 (a)(i) for any reason.

(b) Landfill Cards shall be issued to a primary user, who must provide documentation showing ownership of or residency at the property in question prior to issue.

(c) Vacant Lands are ineligible for a landfill card except for those which meet at least one of the following conditions:

(i) The property has an active building permit for the constructions of a primary use structure; or

(ii) The property has an active trailer permit issued by the Township of Strong or a municipality under contract.

**1.5** No person shall use a landfill card except:

(a) The owner of the property that the landfill card is associated with; or

(b) A tenant of the property the landfill card is associated with; or

- (c) A person whose residential address is the same as the property the landfill card is associated with; or
- (d) An employee or agent of a business which is located on the property the landfill card is associated with.

**1.6** No person shall misuse a landfill card by:

- (a) Contravening any provision of this by-law; or
- (b) By permitting an unauthorized person to use the landfill card.

**1.7** Where a landfill card is misused, the operating authority may deactivate the landfill card and impose an access restriction for:

- (a) A period of time the operating authority or their designate deems appropriate; or
- (b) An indefinite period.

## **2. Municipal Landfill Site Regulations**

**2.1** No person shall enter upon the property of the Municipal Landfill Site except during the hours of operation as posted.

**2.2** No person shall dump or dispose of waste in the Township of Strong which originated outside the Township of Strong except:

- (a) Waste that originated in a municipality under contract.
- (b) Under a contract approved by Council.

**2.3** No person shall enter the Municipal Landfill Site without:

- (a) Showing their landfill card to a Landfill Attendant
- (b) Providing their name and address to a Landfill Attendant, upon request.
- (c) Declaring the nature and origin of the refuse, waste, or recyclable materials carried to a Landfill Attendant, upon request.

**2.4** No person shall deposit or dispose of refuse, recycling, or other materials except in those areas of the Municipal Landfill Site designated for that purpose.

**2.5** All Users (Commercial) as defined in this bylaw shall:

- (a) Prove eligibility for use of the Municipal Landfill Site by:
  - (i) Obtaining Landfill Card; or
  - (ii) Identifying the industrial, commercial, or institutional facility/business where the waste and/or recycling originated.
- (b) Pay any and all fees associated with the disposal of waste as established in the Township of Strong's current "Fees and Charges By-law"

**2.6** Every person using the Municipal Landfill Site shall pay those fees established in the Township of Strong's current "Fees and Charges By-law", as amended from time to time, for the disposal of waste and recycling.

- (a) Fees may be paid at the Municipal Office located at 28 Municipal Lane during the posted office hours, except where prior arrangements for invoicing have been made with the Operating Authority.

(b) A Landfill Attendant at Landfill 1 may, in their sole discretion, accept payment of fees.

**2.7** No person shall dispose of substance or materials listed in Schedule “A” of this by-law at the Municipal Landfill Site.

**2.8** All persons using the Municipal Landfill Site shall sort and deposit recyclable materials as directed by a Landfill Attendant or by posted directions.

**2.9** No person shall set fire to materials brought for disposal at the Municipal Landfill Site.

**2.10** No person shall dispose of materials that are burning or smouldering at the Municipal Landfill Site.

**2.11** No person shall deposit or dispose of hazardous waste at the Municipal Landfill Site except on those days so designated by the Almaguin Recycling Initiative for that purpose, and in accordance with the directions given by a Landfill Attendant.

(a) Notwithstanding section 2.9, no person shall deposit or dispose of commercial Hazardous Waste at the Municipal Landfill Site at any time.

**2.12** No person shall scavenge or salvage at the Municipal Landfill Site, except in an area designated by the Operating Authority as a “Re-use Centre” for the purposes or allowing the salvaging or reusable materials.

(a) All persons entering and making use of the Re-use Centre shall be deemed to assume all associated risks.

(b) The Re-use Centre shall operate on a “First come, first served” basis.

(c) No person scavenging or salvaging in accordance with section 2.11 shall disassemble an item or article for constituent parts at the Re-use Centre, and shall remove their selected item in its entirety.

**2.13** The Operating Authority, its employees, or its designates may refuse any load for any reason.

(a) Where a load has been refused under section 2.12, no person shall deposit, or attempt to deposit, those items at the Municipal Landfill Site.

**2.14** Where a landfill attendant finds a person contravening a provision of this by-law at the Municipal Landfill Site, they may direct the person to leave.

(a) Any person directed to leave the Municipal Landfill Site by an attendant shall do so immediately.

### **3. General Prohibitions**

**3.1** No person shall dump or dispose of, nor attempt to dump or dispose of any refuse on a Highway as defined in the Municipal Act and including both the travelled and untraveled portions thereof.

**3.2** No person shall dump or dispose of, nor attempt to dump or dispose of any refuse or recyclables on any land owned by the Municipality or His Majesty the King in Right of either Canada or Ontario, except the Municipal Landfill Site.

**3.3** No person shall dump or dispose of, nor attempt to dump or dispose of any refuse on any private land within the Township unless the land is described in a license to operate a waste disposal site issued by the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation, and Park which was in existence on the date this by-law comes into force;

(a) Section 3.3 shall not be deemed to prohibit:

- (i) the temporary storage of refuse pending other disposal; or
- (ii) the composting of organic material which originated on the parcel of land where it is stored.

**3.4** No person shall store or compost refuse in a manner which permits the escape of noxious or unpleasant odours onto the property of any other person.

- (a) Section 3.4 does not apply to a farmer's manure pile or the spreading of manure on fields or gardens.

#### **4. Enforcement**

**4.1** Enforcement of this by-law is assigned to the Municipal Law Enforcement Officer of the Township of Strong, or any person appointed by Council for that purpose.

**4.2** An officer may, at any reasonable time, enter onto a property for the purpose of carrying out an inspection to determine whether any provision of this by-law has been violated.

**4.3** Where an officer has reasonable and probable grounds to believe that a person has violated a provision of this by-law, such person shall immediately upon the request of an officer produce a piece of government issued photo identification and provide it to the officer.

**4.4** No person shall hinder or obstruct, nor attempt to hinder or obstruct, either directly or indirectly, an Officer, employee and/or agent of the Municipality in the lawful exercise of a power or duty under this by-law.

**4.5** No person shall provide false information or give a false statement to an officer, employee and/or agent of the Municipality in the lawful exercise of a power or duty under this by-law.

**4.6** Nothing herein shall be deemed to limit the authority of a member of the Ontario Provincial Police from enforcing this by-law at any time.

#### **5. Penalty**

**5.1** Every person who contravenes any provision of this by-law is guilty of an offence and upon conviction is liable to a fine as provided for by the Provincial Offences Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter P.33, as amended.

#### **6. Severability**

**6.1** If a court of competent jurisdiction should declare any section or part of any section of this by-law to be invalid, such section or part shall not be construed as having persuaded or influenced council to pass the remainder of the by-law and it is hereby declared the remainder of the by-law shall be valid and shall remain in force.

#### **7. Maintenance**

**7.1** Additions and deletions to the schedules of this by-law may be made when deemed necessary by Council and such schedule changes shall be made by a resolution of council.

#### **8. Short Title**

**8.1** This by-law may be cited as the "Waste Management By-law".

#### **9. Existing By-law Repealed**

**9.1** By-law 2003-1463 is hereby repealed in its entirety.

**10. Effective Date**

**10.1** This by-law shall come into force on the date it is passed.

READ A FIRST AND SECOND TIME THIS 22nd DAY OF AUGUST, 2023

READ A THIRD TIME AND FINALLY PASSED THIS 22nd DAY OF AUGUST, 2023

Original Copy Signed

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Tim Bryson, Mayor

Original Copy Signed

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Caitlin Haggart, Clerk Administrator

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF STRONG  
BY-LAW 2023-031**

**SCHEDULE “A”**

**PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES AND MATERIALS**

Anything which is not permitted to be disposed of at the Landfill Site(s) as prescribed by the Environmental Protection Act R.S.O. 1990, c. E.19, any Regulations passed thereunder or the Certificate of Approval for the applicable Landfill Site(s) and includes any substance or material as designated by the Municipality.

Information on the current list of prohibited substances and materials can be accessed by contacting the Municipal Office.

**PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES AND MATERIALS ACCEPTED ON  
DESIGNATED HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DAYS**

Muriatic Acid – Pool Chemicals Varsol – Paints  
Rust Remover Liquid Medicines  
Toilet Bowl Cleaners/Drain Cleaners Gas/Oil Mix  
Steel/Aluminum cleaners Ceramic Paints  
Silver Polish Gasoline/Diesel/Naphtha Gas  
Batteries Petroleum Distillates  
Photo Processing Waste/Boric Acid Oils, Brake Fluids, Transmission Oil,  
Sulfuric Acid Power Steering Fluid  
Acid Aerosols Fondue Fuel, Methyl Hydrate  
Oven Cleaners/Disinfectants BBQ Lighter Fluid  
Window Cleaners Kerosene, Thinners  
Household Cleaners Anti-freeze  
Baking Soda Furniture Polishes  
Soaps/Detergents Liquid Waxes, Polishes  
Fire Extinguishers Degreaser  
Elemental Mercury Acetic Acid – Oxalic Acid  
Dry Cell Batteries Ethanol, Methanol, Toluene Acetone  
Organic Bases Glue, Epoxy, Adhesives  
Cement Cleaners Under Coatings, Body Fillers  
Caustic Aerosols Roofing Tar, Caulking Tubes  
Bleach Driveway Sealers  
Fertilizers Household Paints  
Pharmaceuticals Stains, Varnishes  
Antiseptic Shellac, Resins, Urethanes, Varnish  
Fly Sprays-Flea Sprays, Collars Expired Drugs (not liquid)  
Bug Killers Nickel- Cadmium, Alkaline,  
Rat Poison Lithium-ion, Household Batteries  
Fungicide Cell Phones, Games, Flashlights, etc.  
Insecticide Oil Filters  
Arsenicals Spray Paints  
Botanicals WD 40  
Chlorinated Hydrocarbons Insulating Foam  
Herbicides Propane Cylinder



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**PART I PROVINCIAL OFFENCES ACT**

**SCHEDULE “B”**

<b>ITEM</b>	<b>SHORT FORM WORDING</b>	<b>PROVISION CREATING OR DEFINING OFFENCE</b>	<b>SET FINE</b>
1.	Unauthorized person use landfill card	1.6 (b)	\$100.00
2.	Enter outside of operating hours	2.1	\$150.00
3.	Dump waste originating outside the Township	2.2	\$150.00
4.	Enter without showing landfill card	2.3 (a)	\$100.00
5.	Fail to provide proof of name and address on request	2.3 (b)	\$125.00
6.	Fail to declare nature and origin of refuse, waste, or recyclable materials on request	2.3 (c)	\$125.00
7.	Deposit or dispose of refuse, waste, recycling, or other material in area not designated	2.4	\$100.00
8.	Fail to pay disposal fees	2.5 (b)	\$100.00
9.	Dispose of prohibited substance or material	2.7	\$300.00
10.	Fail to sort recyclable materials	2.8	\$100.00
11.	Fail to deposit recyclable materials as directed	2.8	\$100.00
12.	Set fire to materials	2.9	\$300.00
13.	Dispose of burning or smouldering materials	2.10	\$300.00
14.	Dispose hazardous waste on day not designated	2.11	\$300.00
15.	Dispose of commercial hazardous waste	2.11 (a)	\$300.00
16.	Unlawfully scavenge or salvage	2.12	\$100.00
17.	Disassemble article for constituent parts	2.12 (c)	\$100.00
18.	Fail to leave when directed	2.13 (a)	\$300.00
19.	Dump or dispose of refuse on a highway	3.1	\$150.00
20.	Attempt to dump or dispose of refuse on a highway	3.1	\$150.00
21.	Dump or dispose of refuse or recyclables on municipal or government owned land	3.2	\$150.00
22.	Attempt to dump or dispose of refuse or recyclables on municipal or government owned land	3.2	\$150.00
23.	Improperly dump or dispose of refuse on private land	3.3	\$150.00
24.	Attempt to improperly dump or dispose of refuse on private land	3.3	\$150.00
25.	Improperly store or compost refuse	3.4	\$150.00
26.	Fail to identify	4.3	\$250.00
27.	Hinder or obstruct officer	4.4	\$300.00
28.	Give false statement or information	4.5	\$300.00

NOTE: The general penalty section for the offences indicated above is Section 5.1 of By-law No. 2023-031, a certified copy of which has been filed and approved on October 24, 2023.