#### **Rates & Services**

Currently, the City contracts with Olympic Disposal for the collection, hauling and billing of this mandatory service.

Questions about service and billing should be directed to Olympic Disposal: (360) 385-6612

### **Olympic** Disposal will provide customers with:

• 1 or 2 Roll Cart/s for Garbage Available sizes: 35 gallon, 64 gallon or 96 gallon, serviced every-other-week.

#### • 3 – 18 gallon Recycling Bins

1 for Tin, Aluminum & Plastics, 1 for Paper & Cardboard, and 1 for Glass. Recyclables must all be clean and free of food debris.

• 1 – 96 gallon Yard Waste Roll Cart.

The required minimum service is \$27.51 per month (incl taxes), billed every other month.

| Roll Cart        | Serviced               | Rate               | Billing                        |
|------------------|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1 – 35<br>Gallon | Every<br>Other<br>Week | \$27.51<br>monthly | \$55.02, Every Other<br>Month  |
| 1 - 64<br>Gallon | Every<br>Other<br>Week | \$47.72<br>monthly | \$95.44, Every Other<br>Month  |
| 2 – 64<br>Gallon | Every<br>Other<br>Week | \$72.01<br>monthly | \$144.02, Every<br>Other Month |
| 1 – 96<br>Gallon | Every<br>Other<br>Week | \$64.50<br>monthly | \$129.00 Every<br>Other Month  |
| 2 – 96<br>Gallon | Every<br>Other<br>Week | \$87.61<br>monthly | \$175.22, Every<br>Other Month |

Garbage Service FAQ's

I am moving, how do I start or stop service? Call Olympic Disposal at (360) 385-6612 or visit: www.olympicdisposal.com

### I own a rental home that is currently vacant, how do I opt out?

There is no opt-out or vacation hold for a vacant home. As with your other City utilities; garbage service is a requirement for all homes, regardless of current vacancy, for sale status, etc.

## I will be out of town for an extended period, how do I put my service on hold?

There are no vacation holds available for City utilities. Mandatory minimum service is still required.

#### Can I haul my own garbage to the dump?

You are welcome to haul items to the dump, however, the City's mandatory service is still a requirement.

#### Can I leave large items at the curb?

Contact Olympic Disposal for details on large/bulky items.

#### Do you offer any discounts?

Yes! A discounted rate is available to qualifying households. Please contact the City of Port Townsend, or visit the City's website - under Finance Department on the "Pay Your Bill" page, click on the "Low-Income Utility Discount" link for the application and Information Sheet.

What is my waste collection schedule?

visit: www.wasteconnections.com/pickup-schedule/



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### **Garbage Service**

Information and Rates



Effective January 1, 2024



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### **Garbage Service Basics**

Within the City Limits of Port Townsend, customers with an active connection to City Utilities are required to have at least minimum service for garbage. Port Townsend Municipal Code (PTMC), City Ordinance 2221 codified at PTMC 6.04.040(B) has defined the requirement to be for any address that is "tenantable" – meaning, any home that is able to be lived in – whether it is occupied or not.

The only exemption from mandatory service is: Reconstruction or New Construction (which would need to be legally permitted through the City). There are no vacation holds or other methods of opting out of mandatory service.

Additional details regarding garbage service are available in PTMC Chapter 6.04.040 Solid Waste Collection and Disposal.

You can review this chapter on our website: www.codepublishing.com/WA/PortTownsend/ html/PortTownsend06/ PortTownsend0604.html#6.04.040

# The purpose behind mandatory solid waste collection is:

- Reduce cost of services for all residents.
- Discourage illegal dumping.
- Promote a sanitary, healthy environment.
- Reduce rodent and pest infestation.
- Utility-based approach ensures a steady revenue stream which helps guarantee reliable service without interruptions or degradation of infrastructure.
- Protect our beautiful public lands, waterways and wildlife from waste and contaminants.

Boundaries for mandatory service are defined by the County/City Line.

City of Port Townsend utility customers within City Limits are required to maintain at least the minimum level of garbage service.



In January 2023, the "Climate Commitment Act" (CCA), a recently enacted Washington state law, introduced a market-based cap-and-invest program aimed at reducing greenhouse gas emissions. This initiative imposes an emissions fee, reflected as a charge at the pump. This fee pays for this new State program. The charge is determined by considering the additional costs of fuel-related products and the corresponding per-gallon use to service our customers. The fee is authorized to be collected as a pass-through charge and will be spread equally across our customers.