

# **Invercargill City Council**

## **Bylaw 2008/5 – Solid Waste**

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1. **INTRODUCTION**

The Invercargill City Council makes this Bylaw under Sections 145 and 146 of the Local Government Act 2002 and all other Acts or authorities enabling it.

2. **TITLE**

The title of this Bylaw is the Invercargill City Council Bylaw 2008/5 - Solid Waste.

3. **PURPOSE**

The general purposes of this Bylaw are:

- (a) To regulate the collection and transportation of household refuse.
- (b) To regulate the collection and transportation of recyclable materials from households.
- (c) To ensure effective and efficient solid waste management in the Council's district.

4. **OPERATIVE DATE**

This bylaw shall come into effect on 1 July 2008.

5. **DEFINITIONS**

For the purpose of this Bylaw, unless inconsistent with the context, the following definitions apply:

**Approved container** means a container or bag used for the keeping of household refuse and approved by the Council pursuant to the provisions of this Bylaw. Approved containers are listed in Schedule 1.

**Authorised officer or personnel** shall mean an officer of Council or staff of a contractor undertaking works on behalf of Council in regard to collection and disposal of solid waste.

**Central Business District refuse collection area** means that area of the city centre prescribed on the map appended (Appendix 1) showing the said area in which this service is provided.

**Collection Day** means the prescribed day for collection of waste from households or businesses as shown on the appended map (Appendix 2).

On days which are a public holiday, household collections will be one day later than normal for the rest of the days of the week following the public holiday. Where there are two consecutive public holidays then collections will still only be one day later than scheduled. Central Business District waste collections will be omitted on public holidays. The Central Business District collection days are listed in Schedule 3.

**Commercial waste** means any solid waste resulting from the undertaking of any business, manufacture, process, trade, market or other undertaking.

**Council** means the Invercargill City Council and shall include all Council officers authorised to act on Council's behalf.

**Green waste** means compostable plant material excluding plant material that is not suitable for composting eg flax leaves, cabbage tree leaves, toi toi.

**Hazardous waste** means any waste listed in Schedule 2, however other wastes exhibiting similar characteristics can also be classed as hazardous wastes.

**Household waste** means solid waste resulting from domestic housekeeping activity. Household waste does NOT include recyclable waste, green waste, garden waste, paper waste, inorganic materials, commercial waste, prohibited waste, hazardous waste, trade waste or liquid waste of any nature or building materials waste.

**Note:** Household waste does include office or kitchen type wastes when the service is supplied to such businesses as part of the household refuse collection.

**Inorganic waste** means domestic solid waste that will not fit within an approved container.

**Liquid waste** means waste generated in or converted to a liquid form for disposal.

**Litter** means refuse, rubbish, animal remains, glass, metal, garbage, plastic, debris, dirt, filth, rubble, ballast, stones, sand, earth, or waste matter or any other thing of a like nature not appropriately contained for disposal.

**Occupier** means any person who occupies any land or building and if the land or building is unoccupied includes the owner or agent acting on behalf of the owner.

**Paper waste** means any paper, cardboard or any other paper based waste material.

**Person** includes an individual, a company or other corporate body.

**Prohibited waste** means:

- (a) Any broken glass, broken crockery, broken plastic, blades from saws, razors, knives, skewer, syringe or any other object or material capable by reason of its shape or sharpness of causing injury unless any such waste is properly and sufficiently contained so as to prevent injury damage or loss.
- (b) Any sharp object or material capable of puncturing the Approved Container or capable by reason of its brittleness of shattering in the course of collection, unless the waste is properly and sufficiently wrapped or contained so as to prevent injury damage or loss.
- (c) Any explosive, hot ashes, flammable material, infectious material or any other matter thing or waste of any kind whatsoever that may endanger any person, animal or vehicle which may come into contact with it any time prior to, during or following collection.
- (d) Any liquid inks, paints, acids or other viscous fluid.
- (e) Any radio active wastes but excluding domestic smoke detectors which may be disposed of as household waste.

- (f) Any used oil, lead acid battery, refrigerators and or freezers that have not been professionally degassed.
- (g) Any hazardous waste.
- (h) Trade waste.
- (i) Garden waste or green waste unless for an approved separate discrete collection.
- (j) Building materials, waste, including but not limited to wood, sand gravel, plaster boards and other similar materials.

**Recyclable waste** means rags, second hand clothing or used clothing, textiles, wood, concrete, steel, paper, cans both steel or aluminium, glass plastic products and containers as publicly notified by Council from time to time.

**Designated collection position** means the area on the road reserve outside the property from which the household refuse originates immediately adjacent to the kerb such that the container does not interfere with the free passage of pedestrians or mobility scooters or prams or such other place approved by Council as the position for the refuse collection container.

**Refuse collection service area** means the area of the city in which the household refuse collection service is provided and as published by map on Council's web site.

**Solid waste** means waste generated as a solid or converted to a solid for disposal.

**Special waste** means any waste which requires special disposal because of environmental considerations or the operational requirements of the landfill at which disposal is to occur.

**Trade waste** means any sewage or liquid with or without matters in suspension or solution produced in the course of any trade or industrial process.

**Waste** means all types of waste, except prohibited waste, that is classed as suitable for disposal through Council's services.

## 6. **AUTHORISED WASTE COLLECTIONS**

No person shall interfere with or remove any household or commercial waste or recyclable waste from any public place other than the occupier of the property on which the household or commercial waste or recyclable waste was generated or an authorised Council officer or personnel.

## 7. **PROVISION OF SERVICE**

Collection of household waste and recyclable waste service is provided to those properties within the serviced areas of the city (as shown on the map appended (Appendix 2)).

Householders shall place their approved containers at the kerbside or designated collection position on the prescribed collection day by 7.30 am for removal of waste and shall remove their container to their own property on the same day. No containers may be placed at the kerbside or collection position before 7.00 am or remain after 7.00 pm on the prescribed collection day.

A Central Business District waste collection service is available to all properties within the area prescribed in the map appended (Appendix 1). Businesses shall place their approved container at the kerbside or designated collection position on the prescribed collection day by 9.30 am. No waste container may be placed on non collection days or remain overnight.

Only household waste and recyclable waste shall be placed in collection containers.

## **8. DEPOSIT OF PROHIBITED MATERIALS IN APPROVED CONTAINERS**

No person shall deposit or permit to suffer to be deposited in an approved container any prohibited waste.

## **9. ACCUMULATION AND STORAGE OF HOUSEHOLD WASTE**

Every owner or occupier of any premises shall ensure that no accumulation or storage of waste is permitted or suffered to remain or be in on or about such premises or any portion thereof.

## **10. DISPOSAL OF WASTE**

10.1 Council's Transfer Stations are for the disposal of waste and recyclable waste only.

10.2 Any person using such facilities shall abide by the instructions or requirements of authorised personnel for the placing or disposal of different waste materials.

10.3 No article, substance or chemical of a flammable, hazardous, toxic or explosive nature or any substance that necessitates special handling shall be disposed of at any Transfer Station without prior approval of Authorised personnel.

10.4 All persons entering any Transfer Station shall observe and comply with all erected signs and notices and any instruction given to them by Authorised personnel.

## **11. RECYCLING**

11.1 The Council may arrange for the collection of recyclable materials from households or commercial premises as part of its waste collection service.

11.2 Only containers supplied or approved by Council may be placed on the roadside.

11.3 No person shall interfere or remove the container or contents except by authorised personnel during the course of collection of recyclable material by or on behalf of Council.

11.4 No person shall place or leave any non-recyclable materials in any recycling container.



12. **RESTRICTION ON WASTE COLLECTION OPERATIONS**

No person shall engage in the collection of household waste or recyclable waste from a public place without prior written consent of Council and subject to such conditions as Council may impose.

13. **PENALTIES**

Any person who is in breach of this Bylaw may on summary conviction be liable to a maximum penalty of \$20,000 in accordance with Section 242(4) of the Local Government Act 2002.

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# SCHEDULES

## SCHEDULE 1 - APPROVED CONTAINERS

120 litre Mobile Garbage Bin (MGB) or wheelie bin supplied by Council's contractor to each premises receiving the service. Colour green with green lid and individually numbered.  
60 litre green Recycle Crate embossed with Invercargill City Council logo.  
Multiwall paper refuse bag (CBD collection area only).

## SCHEDULE 2 - HAZARDOUS WASTES

Hazardous wastes are those wastes listed in the landfill guidelines as hazardous. They include but are not limited to the following types or classifications of wastes:

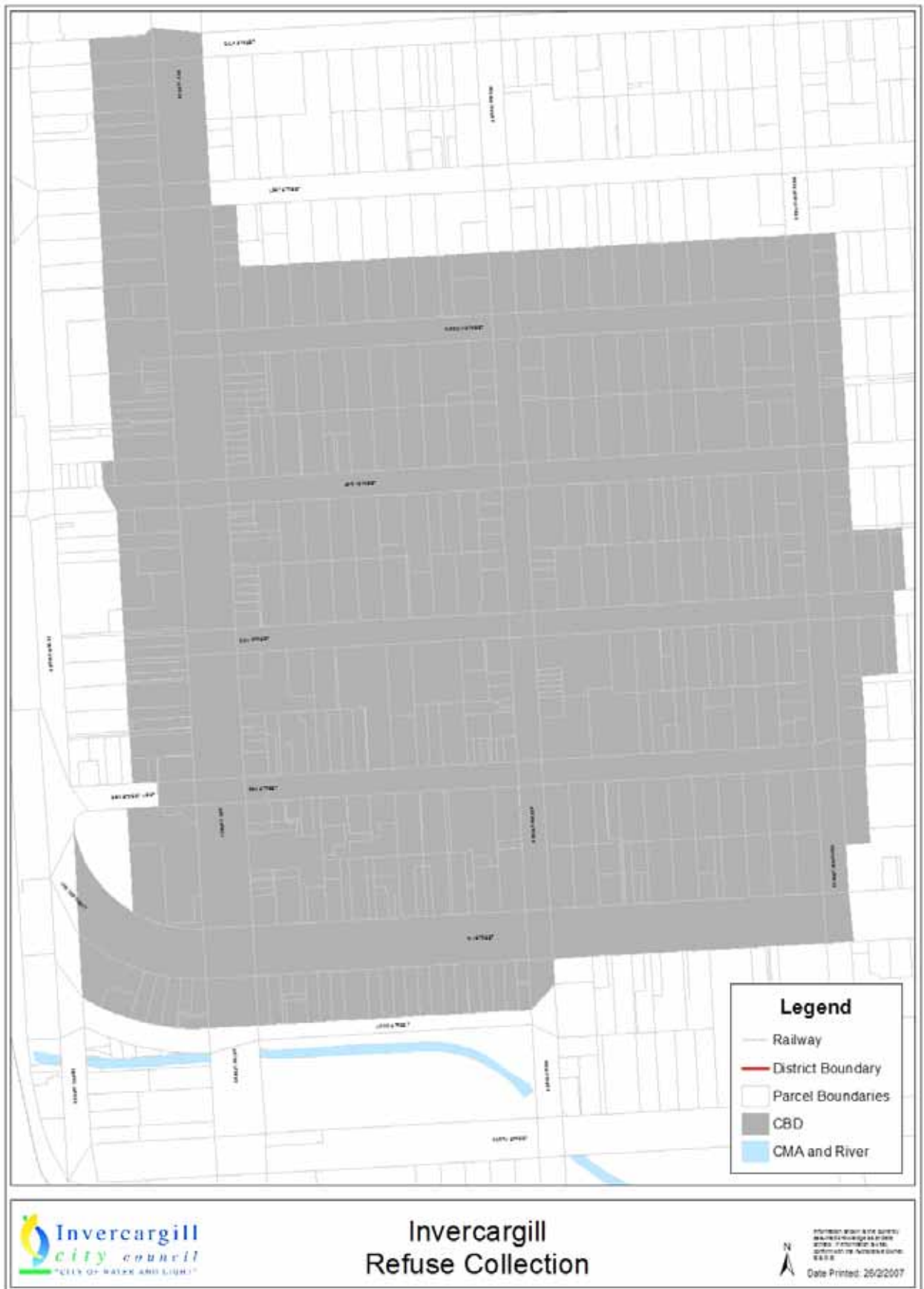
Acids  
Chemicals (garden and household)  
Paints  
Petroleum products  
Inflammable materials  
Thinners  
Medicals  
Infectious materials

## SCHEDULE 3 – CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT COLLECTION DAYS

Central Business Collection Days	Monday Wednesday Friday
	Collections omitted on public holidays
(Household collection days)	See map Appendix 2)

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# APPENDIX 1- CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT REFUSE COLLECTION AREA



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## APPENDIX 2 - HOUSEHOLD COLLECTION DAYS

