



# BYLAW

## Solid Waste Collection, Control, and Disposal Bylaw No. 548, 2016

**Consolidated for convenience only June 2019**

This Consolidation includes the following Bylaw Amendments:

548-1, 2017

548-2, 2018

548-3, 2018

This version of this bylaw is a consolidation of amendments to the original bylaw as of the date specified. This consolidation is done for the convenience of users and accurately reflects the status of this bylaw as of the specified date but must not be construed as the original bylaw and is not admissible in Court unless specifically certified by the Corporate Officer for the District of Sechelt. Persons interested in the definitive wording of this bylaw and its amendments should view the original bylaws at the District of Sechelt.

**DISTRICT OF  
SEHELDT**

**BYLAW NO. 548, 2016**

**A Bylaw to provide for the Control,  
Collection and Disposal of Solid Waste and  
Recyclables**

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**WHEREAS** the District of Sechelt may by bylaw regulate with regard to refuse, garbage and other material that is noxious, offensive or unwholesome as well as regulate with regard to the use of waste disposal and recycling services;

**AND WHEREAS** the District of Sechelt may by bylaw provide for the collection of solid waste and recyclables as a municipal service:

**NOW THEREFORE** the Council of the District of Sechelt, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

**TITLE**

1. This bylaw may be cited as District of Sechelt “Solid Waste Collection, Control, and Disposal Bylaw No. 548, 2016”.

**DEFINITIONS**

2. In this bylaw:

“**APPROVED DISPOSAL SITE**” means a site authorized by the District, licensed by the Sunshine Coast Regional District and the Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks, for the deposit, disposal or processing of Solid Waste and organic materials including Organics Recyclables and Package and Printed Paper Recyclables;

“**COLLECTION AREA**” means that part of the District of Sechelt shown in the area outlined in thick black line on the map attached as Schedule “A” to this bylaw;

“**DIRECTOR**” means the person or persons that is authorized to oversee the implementation of this bylaw.

“**DISTRICT**” means the District of Sechelt, and where required, all land parcels located within the District of Sechelt municipal boundaries;

“**DWELLING UNIT**” means a suite of rooms which provides residential accommodations for one or more persons, has its respective entrance, and contains sleeping, toilet facilities and not more than one set of cooking facilities;

**“EXTRA CONTAINER TAG”** or **“GARBAGE TAG”** means a tag issued under section 20;

**“MANUFACTURED HOME”** means a manufactured home located in a manufactured home park.

**“MULTI-UNIT BUILDING”** means a building containing more than two Dwelling Units other than a building consisting entirely of Townhouses;

**“ORGANIC RECYCLABLES”** means any item or material that is listed in Schedule “D” of this bylaw;

**“PROHIBITED WASTE”** means any item or material that is listed in Schedule “B” of this bylaw;

**“PACKAGED AND PRINTED PAPER RECYCLABLES”** means any item or material that is listed in Schedule “C” of this bylaw;

**“RECYCLABLES”** means Packaged and Printed Paper Recyclables and Organics Recyclables;

**“RECYCLING TOTE”** means a Tote provided by the District or the Waste Collection Contractor for the collection of Package and Printed Paper Recyclables or Organic Recyclables from the Serviced Unit;

**“SERVICED UNIT”** means a Dwelling Unit located within the Collection Area, but does not include a Dwelling Unit that is;

- (a) within a Multi-Unit Building; or
- (b) used as a rooming house or as a boarding house;

**“SOLID WASTE”** means any and all accumulations of general rubbish or discarded materials resulting from the activities conducted on a particular property, but does not include Package and Printed Paper Recyclables, Organic Recyclables and Prohibited Waste;

**“SUITE”** means a single room or series of rooms of complementary use, operated under a single tenancy - multiple suites may be contained in a Dwelling Unit with a common entrance

**“TOTE”** means a container designed for the collection of Solid Waste, Packaged and Printed Paper Recyclables and Organics Recyclables as assigned by the District or Waste Collection Contractor to an individual Serviced Unit;

“**TOWNHOUSE**” means a Dwelling Unit within a row of three or more dwelling units where each dwelling unit has a separate street-front entrance;

“**WASTE BIN**” means a waterproof container of heavy plastic or light weight galvanized sheeting with a close fitting lid and a maximum capacity of 80 litres; and

“**WASTE COLLECTION CONTRACTOR**” means the person appointed from time to time by Council of the District to provide Solid Waste and Recyclables collection services under this bylaw.

### **GENERAL REGULATIONS**

3. Within the District no person shall:
  - (a) throw, place or pile any Solid Waste, Package and Printed Paper Recyclables, Organic Recyclables or Prohibited Waste on any street, lane, alley, public land or into the sea;
  - (b) allow Solid Waste, Package and Printed Paper Recyclables, Organic Recyclables or Prohibited Waste to accumulate outside on land owned or occupied by him or her;
  - (c) place or store any Prohibited Waste in a Waste Bin, Recycling Tote or other waste receptacle, unless the waste receptacle is specifically designed for that waste;
  - (d) transfer or use a Recycling Tote or Tote at a Serviced Unit to which the Recycling Tote or Tote was not assigned; and
  - (e) burn any Solid Waste, Package and Printed Paper Recyclables, Organic Recyclables or Prohibited Waste within the Collection Area.
  
4. Every owner and occupier of a property within the District, other than a Serviced Unit, shall:
  - (a) provide and maintain in good and sufficient order and repair a Waste Bin or other covered metal or heavy plastic receptacle of sufficient capacity to contain all the Solid Waste generated from the property;
  - (b) provide and maintain in good and sufficient order and repair a bin suitable for containing all the Recyclables generated from the property; and
  - (c) arrange, at his or her own cost, for the collection and removal of all Solid Waste and Recyclables from the property at least once every two weeks.
    - i. all Solid Waste or Recyclables collected under this section shall be delivered to an Approved Disposal Site.

**RESIDENTIAL SOLID WASTE COLLECTION SERVICE**

5. The District shall provide a Solid Waste collection service to all Serviced Units on collection days to be scheduled by the Waste Collection Contractor or District.
6. Every owner and occupier of a Serviced Unit shall:
  - a. provide and maintain Waste Bins in good repair, sanitary condition and in sufficient number to contain all the Solid Waste generated from that Dwelling Unit;
  - b. not place anything other than Solid Waste in a Waste Bin;
  - c. keep all Waste Bins securely closed;
  - d. not cause or allow water or other liquids to accumulate in a Waste Bin;
  - e. drain all liquid from putrescible Solid Waste prior to placing putrescible Solid Waste in a Waste Bin;
  - f. not cause a Waste Bin to be filled to within 10 centimetres of its brim or higher;
  - g. not cause the combined weight of a Waste Bin and its contents to exceed 20kg;
  - h. keep all Waste Bins for the Serviced Unit(s) within the Serviced Unit(s) or within an enclosed structure nearby, except on the day scheduled for collection;
  - i. by 8:00am on the day scheduled for Solid Waste collection, place all Waste Bins for the Serviced Unit outside at ground level on land adjacent to the street or lane in a location convenient for collection;
  - j. by 7:00pm, on the day scheduled for Solid Waste collection, place all Waste Bins in a location in accordance with section 6(h) of this bylaw; and
7. On a Solid Waste collection day, the Waste Collector may not collect more than one Waste Bin per Serviced Unit unless the additional Waste Bin or Bins each have an Extra Container Tag.
8. The Waste Collection Contractor may decline to serve a Serviced Unit on a Solid Waste collection day if the condition or placement of a Waste Bin is in contravention of section 6 of this bylaw.

### **RESIDENTIAL RECYCLABLES COLLECTION SERVICE**

9. The District shall provide a Recyclables collection service to all Serviced Units on collection days to be scheduled by the Waste Collection Contractor or District.
10. Every owner and occupier of a Serviced Unit shall:
  - (a) obtain and maintain at least one Recycling Tote in good repair and sanitary condition for the use of the Serviced Unit;
  - (b) place only Recyclables in a Recycling Tote;
  - (c) not fill a Recycling Tote to within 10 centimetres of its brim or higher;
  - (d) place all allowable Recyclables that will not fit in the Recycling Tote in a neatly tied bundle or compostable paper bag immediately beside the Recycling Tote;
  - (e) empty or drain all water or other liquid from Recyclables before placing them in a Recycling Tote;
  - (f) rinse and remove food and grease from tin cans prior to placing them in a Recycling Tote;
  - (g) keep all Recycling Totes for the Serviced Unit(s) within the Service Unit(s) or within an enclosed structure nearby, except on the day scheduled for collection;
  - (h) by 8:00am on the day scheduled for Recyclables collection, place the Recycling Totes for the Serviced Unit outside at ground level on land adjacent to the street or lane and in a location convenient for collection; and
  - (i) by 7:00pm, on the day scheduled for Recyclables collection, place all Recycling Totes for the Serviced Unit in a location in accordance with section 10(g) of this bylaw.
11. On a Recyclables collection day, the Waste Collection Contractor may not collect more than three Recycling Totes per Serviced Unit. The Waste Collection Contractor shall collect all eligible Recyclables that are placed beside a Recycling Tote according to section 10 (d).
12. The Waste Collection Contractor may decline to serve a Serviced Unit on a Recyclables collection day if the condition or placement of a Recycling Tote is in contravention of section 10 of this bylaw.

### **WILDLIFE ATTRACTANTS**

13. No person shall store, handle or dispose of wildlife attractants in such a way that they are accessible to dangerous wildlife.

14. No person shall feed or attempt to feed dangerous wildlife, or deposit wildlife attractants in a place or manner that attracts dangerous wildlife.
15. No person shall place or allow a bird feeder on a parcel so that the bird feeder is accessible to dangerous wildlife. Every person who occupies a parcel must keep the area below a feeder free of the accumulation of seed and debris from the feeder at all times.
16. No owner or occupier of a parcel shall permit or allow fruit from a tree or bush on a parcel to accumulate on the tree, bush or ground such that it attracts or is likely to attract dangerous wildlife.
17. No person shall fail to take remedial action to avoid contact or conflict with dangerous wildlife after being advised by the Director, a designated bylaw enforcement officer or peace officer, that such action is necessary.

### **CHARGES AND FEES**

18. Every owner of a parcel within the Collection Area shall pay the District the annual collection charge of \$216.00 for each Serviced Unit that is located on or is under construction on the parcel and this annual per unit charge shall be:
  - a. collected in the same manner as property taxes for the parcel; and
  - b. payable whether or not the owner or occupier uses the collection service provided under this Bylaw.
19. If a person commences construction of a new Serviced Unit on a land parcel, the annual charge for collection services payable for the new Serviced Unit for the year that construction commenced shall be subject to a pro-rated reduction in the charge for that Serviced Unit to be calculated from the first day of the month after the building permit for the new Serviced Unit was issued.

If a Serviced Unit is added partway through an annual taxation cycle, the annual charge for the Serviced Unit shall be subject to a pro-rated reduction in the annual charge calculated from the first day of the month that Solid Waste collection is commenced for the Serviced Unit.
20. A person may purchase an Extra Container Tag from the municipal hall by paying \$4.00 per Extra Container Tag Fee.

21. A person may obtain an additional or replacement Recycling Tote for a Serviced Unit by paying the District or the Waste Collection Contractor the current replacement cost of a Recycling Tote.
22. A person may obtain up to three Recycling Totes per Serviced Unit.

### **OFFENCES**

23. No person shall do any act or suffer or permit any act or thing to be done in contravention of this bylaw.
24. Every person who violates any provision of this bylaw, or who permits any act or thing to be done in violation of this bylaw, or who fails to do any act or thing required by this bylaw, shall be deemed to have committed an offence against this bylaw and:
  - (a) Shall be liable to a fine set out in The District of Sechelt Bylaw Notice Enforcement Implementation Bylaw No. 515, 2012; or
  - (b) Shall be liable to a fine set out in The District of Sechelt District, Sechelt Municipal Ticketing Information Bylaw No. 491, 2010; or
  - (c) Shall be liable, upon summary conviction, to the penalties provided under the Offence Act; or any combination of these.
25. Each day that an offence against this bylaw continues constitutes a separate offence.
26. The Director, bylaw enforcement officer and peace officers are hereby authorized to enforce this bylaw and to enter, at any reasonable time, onto any property in the course of conduct of administration of this bylaw in order to ascertain whether the regulations of this bylaw are being observed.
27. No person shall interfere with or obstruct the Director, bylaw enforcement officer or a peace officer or any other person authorized to administer or enforce this bylaw.

### **SEVERABILITY, SCHEDULES AND REPEAL**

28. Should any section, or sub-section, clause, paragraph or sentence of this bylaw be declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, no other part of this bylaw shall be deemed to be invalid and the balance of the bylaw shall remain in force as a whole except for the part declared invalid.
29. The schedules attached to this bylaw form part of the bylaw.



30. District of Sechelt Solid Waste Control, Collection and Disposal Bylaw No. 47, 1988, and Amendment Bylaws 47-1, 1994, 47-1, 1996, 47-3, 1998, 47-5 2000, 47-6, 2002, 47-7, 2005, 47-8, 2006, 47-9, 2009, 47-10, 2011, 47-11, 2012, 47-12, 2013, 47-13, 2014 and 47-14, 2015 are hereby repealed.

**FEE REDUCTION FOR ELIGIBLE PROPERTIES**

31. For the purpose of this section

(a) “eligible property” means property that is:

- i. liable to property taxation; and
- ii. owned by a person entitled to receive the Additional Homeowner’s Grant in respect of that property.

(b) “eligible property reduction” means an amount equal to the portion of the Additional Homeowner’s Grant that an owner of an eligible property was unable to claim during the year for which the charge under Section 1.0 is payable to a maximum of \$216 in respect of any property.

(c) The level of fee for a person who owns and occupies an eligible property shall be the fee set out in section 18 as applicable, less the amount of the eligible property reduction.

(d) A person who owns and occupies an eligible property must apply for the refuse fee reduction each year prior to the bill due date. Failure to apply prior to this date results in forfeiture of the eligible property reduction for the current year.

READ A FIRST TIME THIS	20th	DAY OF	April	2016
READ A SECOND TIME THIS	20th	DAY OF	April	2016
READ A THIRD TIME THIS	20th	DAY OF	April	2016
ADOPTED THIS	4th	DAY OF	May	2016

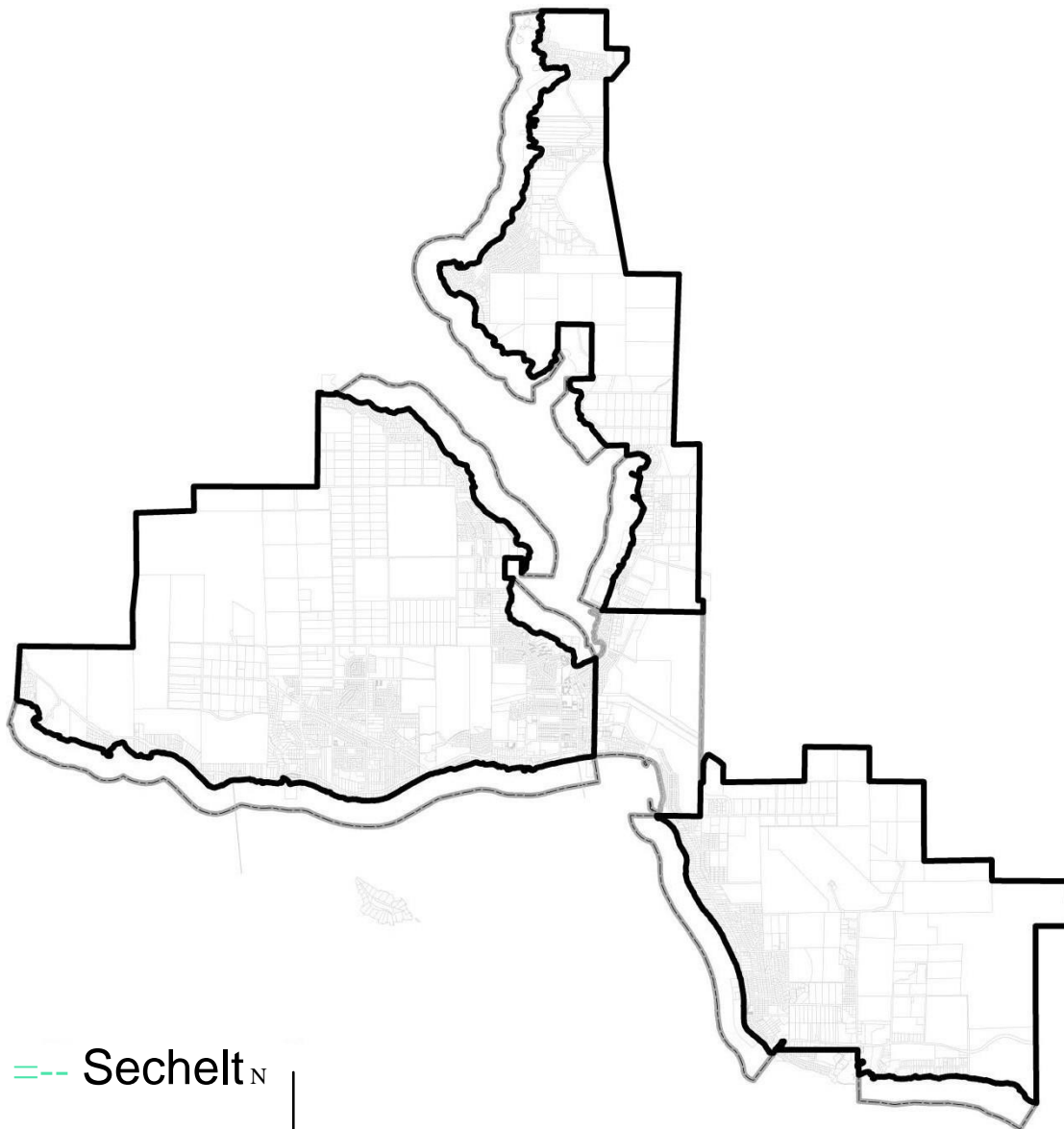


Mayor



Corporate Officer

### Schedule "A"




 Sechelt<sub>BC</sub>

Solid Waste Collection,  
Control and Disposal  
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 Collection Area  
Property Parcel

 Municipal Boundary

## **Schedule “B”**

### **Prohibited Waste**

- Appliances (large or small)
  - Batteries
  - Car Parts
  - Caulking
  - Construction Waste
  - Electronics (TVs, computers, monitors, etc.)
  - Explosives of any kind
  - Fabric
  - Furniture
  - Glass
  - Gypsum
  - Household cleaner spray cans (Full or Empty)
  - Medical waste
  - Medication and pharmaceuticals
  - Motor oil containers
  - Paint Cans
  - Sod, tree branches, logs, stumps or other yard waste
  - Soil
  - Small tools
  - Styrofoam
  - Syringes
  - Tires
  - Televisions
  - Wire
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## **Schedule “C”**

### **Package and Printed Paper Recyclables**

- Advertising brochures and leaflets
  - Beverage cans
  - Cereal, tissue & detergent boxes with liners removed
  - Clean Pizza boxes
  - Corrugated boxes
  - Empty plastic bottles and prescription containers
  - Envelopes
  - Foil pie plates
  - Hardcover books with covers removed
  - Magazines, catalogues and telephone directories
  - Milk & juice cartons
  - Newspapers & flyers
  - Paper
  - Paper bags & rolls
  - Paper gift wrap and cards (without ribbons or bows)
  - Paper egg cartons
  - Plastic jars, jugs, lids, and plant pots
  - Paper plates & cups
  - Plastic wrap
  - Plastic wrap, bags and bubble pack
  - Plastic jars, jugs, lids, and plant pots
  - Rigid metal cooking trays
  - Shredded paper in clear plastic bags
  - Softcover books
  - Tin foil wrap
  - Tin cans
  - Tetra-pack containers
  - Un-waxed cardboard
  - Writing and computer paper
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## **Schedule “D”**

### **Organics Recyclables**

- Baked Goods
  - Baking ingredients, herbs, spices
  - Bones
  - Bread, cereal, grains
  - Candy
  - Coffee grounds, filters, tea bags
  - Dairy products, butter, mayonnaise
  - Egg shells
  - Fruit & vegetable scraps
  - Meat, fish/seafood, poultry
  - Nuts & shells
  - Pasta, rice
  - Soiled cardboard
  - Paper cups & plates
  - Paper towels & tissues
  - Pizza boxes
  - Compostable bags
  - Houseplants, cut & dried flowers
  - Grass clippings
  - Leaves
  - Tree Limbs & Branches - max dia.1-1/2" (38mm) x 4' (1219mm)
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