


Director's Rule

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A. PURPOSE

This Director's Rule sets the rate and conditions for the curbside collection of special recyclable items according to Seattle Municipal Code 21.40.050.A.7. The General Manager/CEO of Seattle Public Utilities adopts rules for the appropriate charges per pickup and the maximum number, size, and weight of items to be collected.

B. SCOPE

This rule applies to all SPU ratepayers requesting curbside pickup of recyclable special items. The program is available to occupants of both single-family and multifamily residences. Multifamily customers must request pickups through the applicable solid waste account owner or designee.

C. DEFINITIONS

Pickup. The collection of items from the curb or other agreed upon location for disposal or recycling.

D. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

SPU Finance Division will revise rates as appropriate through ordinance or by revision to this rule.

E. CRITERIA FOR DETERMINING CHARGES AND CONDITIONS OF CURBSIDE COLLECTION OF SPECIAL RECYCLABLE ITEMS

The criteria used by SPU for determining the charges and conditions for pickup include:

- Charges will reflect program costs, including contractor payments and processing, customer service and administrative costs.
- Charges must provide an incentive for customers to request the collection.
- Conditions for curbside setouts must be simple and easy for customers to understand.

- The number of items covered must allow for common bundles of electronics to be set out for one fee (for example, a computer monitor, CPU, and peripherals).

F. CHARGES AND CONDITIONS OF CURBSIDE COLLECTION OF SPECIAL RECYCLABLE ITEMS

Customers will contact SPU customer service to request and schedule pickup at the curb for the following items:

Item	Conditions	Customer Fee
Used cooking and motor oil	Up to two 1-gallon containers	No charge
Styrofoam blocks	Up to two 32-gallon bags	No charge
Compact fluorescent bulbs (CFLs) and household batteries	Not to exceed two 1-gallon bags	\$5
Small propane canisters	Up to two 1-gallon bags or up to four empty canisters under 1 pound each	\$5
Electronics, small appliances, and other special items	One box 2 x 2 x 2 feet in size and under 60 pounds, containing electronics, small appliances, CFLs, batteries, and canisters	\$20

G. AUTHORITY/REFERENCES

- SMC 21.40, Solid Waste Collection Rates and Charges
- Seattle Ordinance 122844.