

# Municipality of Magnetawan

## BAG LIMIT FAQ'S



### Enclosed you will find:

**Residential Properties with Curbside Intown Pick Up:** Annual Landfill Card, with a blank back plus 110 Bag Tag Stickers to use for bags of household waste.

**Residential Properties with No Curbside Intown Pick Up:** Annual Landfill Card, numbered with 1-110 on the back to use for bags of household waste.

**Commercial Properties with or without Intown Curbside Pick Up:** Annual Landfill Card, with a blank back plus 150 Bag Tag Stickers to use for bags of household waste.

**Vacant Land:** Annual Landfill Card, with a blank back. Vacant Landowners can access the landfill but will have to pay to dispose of household waste.

### What to Expect:

**Curbside Pick Up:** Property owners will stick their bag tag stickers to their bags of household waste **only** and put out for collection as per usual.

**At the Landfill:** Property owners will present their numbered landfill card to the landfill attendant. The landfill attendant will stroke out the number of bags of household waste brought to the landfill on the back of the card.

**OR**

Property owners must present their blank landfill card to the landfill attendant and stick their bag tag stickers to their bags of household waste only.

### FAQ's

#### **Why is there a limit for bags of household waste when I already pay taxes?**

A waste reduction program was implemented to encourage recycling and to monitor the amount of waste entering our landfills to help extend their life. Extending the life of the landfill will give us time to help build our reserves so that there will not be a huge increase to your taxes when the time comes to purchase a new landfill.

#### **Why does intown have curbside pick up and I do not?**

Residents who have intown curbside pick up **pay an extra levy** on their property taxes to receive this service. Residents who do not receive this service do not pay an extra levy.

#### **Am I only allowed to bring 2 bags of household waste a week to the Landfill?**

You can bring as many bags of household waste as often as you want, as long as there is room on your numbered card, or you have bag tag stickers.

#### **Do bags of recycling count as a bag of household waste?**

No

#### **Does my new landfill card and/or bag tag stickers expire?**

Yes, Landfill cards and bag tag stickers will be valid for 13 months (March 1, 2021 to April 1, 2022) for the first year to help property owners' transition to the new waste reduction program. Year two of the waste reduction program, cards and bag tag stickers will be valid from April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023

#### **Why can't fibers and recycling be picked up every week for curbside pick up?**

Frankly, there is not enough room on the truck to pick up both every week. Therefore, weeks are alternated. Residents are more than welcome to attend the landfill if they do not want to wait for pick up.

#### **Can I drop recycling off without my landfill card?**

No, you must have your landfill card to gain entry to our Municipal Landfills.

### LANDFILL HOURS

**SUMMER - Begins Saturday of May Long Weekend**  
Open all Statutory Holidays

#### CHAPMAN SITE 259 Rocky Road

8am to 4pm

Sunday Monday Saturday

#### CROFT 218 25<sup>TH</sup> & 26<sup>TH</sup> Side Road

8am to 4pm

Sunday Tuesday Friday Saturday

**WINTER - Begins Tuesday after Thanksgiving Weekend**  
Closed all Statutory Holidays

#### CHAPMAN SITE 259 Rocky Road

8am to 4pm

Sunday Monday

#### CROFT 218 25<sup>TH</sup> & 26<sup>TH</sup> Side Road

8am to 4pm

Tuesday Friday Saturday

### ILLEGAL DUMPING WILL NOT BE TOLERATED

#### Witnessed Illegal Dumping?

Please contact our By-law Officer Caitlin Deevey at  
**(705) 497-4959**

Violators will be guilty of a Provincial Offence and will be subject to a maximum penalty of \$5,000 and a day in court



**SMILE! YOU ARE ON CAMERA**  
**BOTH OUR LANDFILLS HAVE 24 HOUR SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS**



### What if I have vacant land but have a trailer?

Residents who have vacant land with a valid seasonal trailer license will be allocated two free bags of household waste per week based on the type of license purchased. i.e., If you purchase a monthly license you will be allocated 8 free bags of household waste. If you purchase a three-month license you will be allocated 24 free bags of household waste.

### When can I expect my card and free bags tag stickers?

Landfill cards will be mailed out annually at the start of each year. Landfill cards will correspond in colour with bag tag stickers and will change colour annually. This year's colour is Mellow Yellow.

### When does this new system start?

The Municipality is starting a soft launch in March 2021 with a hard launch of May 1, 2021. After May 1, 2021 household waste will not be picked up for curbside pickup without a bag tag sticker nor will you be allowed to deposit household waste at the landfill without providing your numbered card or having bag tag stickers on your bags of waste.

### What if I want tags and not a numbered card?

For convenience, residents can trade in all or some of their allotted number of bags for bag tag stickers. **What does this mean?** If you have a landfill card with an allotted number of free bags of household waste and you would prefer to use stickers, you can trade all your allotment or a partial allotment (i.e., 20 or 30) in for bag tag stickers!! Just contact the Municipal Office to arrange a trade.

### What if my neighbour takes my garbage for me?

No worries! If your neighbour takes your garbage to the landfill you either have them take your numbered landfill card to have the landfill attendant, mark off your quantity of household waste bags **OR** if you have bag tag stickers, simply stick your bag tag stickers to your bags of household waste.

### What if I run out of Free Bags?

Residents who use all their allotment of free bags can purchase additional bags at a cost of \$2.00 per bag from the Municipal Office and at both Municipal Landfill Sites.

### What if I lose my landfill card and/or bag tag stickers?

Lost landfill cards and bag tag stickers will not be replaced for free. The value of your free bags of household waste for residential properties is \$220. The value of your free bags of household waste for commercial properties is \$300.

If you lose your landfill card and/or bag tag stickers you will have to purchase either:

A blank landfill card and bag tag stickers.

**OR**

A numbered landfill card and you must pay for the allotted bags.

**OR**

If you lose your bag tag stickers you will have to purchase replacement bag tag stickers.

### What if I am selling my property? Or I just purchased a property?

Owners are responsible for transferring landfill cards and/or allotted bag tag stickers to the new owner. Similar to how property taxes, gas and utilities get prorated. If the previous property owner does not transfer any landfill cards or allotted bag tag stickers, the new owner will be required to purchase a landfill card and bag tag stickers.

### Why do you still see black bags in the landfill?

The compactor used at the landfill turns up household waste from previous years before the clear bag program was implemented.

### What if I rent out my property?

Property owners are responsible to provide landfill cards and/or bag tag stickers to the renters.

**For more landfill and recycling information, including tipping fees, or to read the Report to Council including landfill survey results visit our Landfill and Recycling Page on our website at [www.magnetawan.com](http://www.magnetawan.com)**

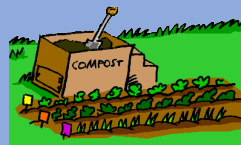


**Why do the Landfills not offer debit and credit or evening hours?**

Neither landfills have access to hydro. Costs to install hydro at both landfills sites is estimated at **\$120,000**



**Why do we have tipping fees for large items such as construction waste, mattresses, chairs etc.? In 2020 disposal of these items cost total of \$60,132 Tipping fees only generated revenues of \$17,289 CHAA CHING \$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$**



**We are investigating a Municipal Wide composting program. Currently we encourage at home critter safe composting. Ideas for composting? Give us a call!!**



**We are working on implementing a Reuse center for gently used items at the Chapman Landfill**



### **HAZMAT DAY 2021**

The Municipality is currently planning for one Hazmat Day this Summer

### **Questions? Concerns?**

Contact the Municipal Office at (705) 387-3947 or by email at [info@magnetawan.com](mailto:info@magnetawan.com)