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Frequently Asked Questions on the KANE COUNTY WASTE & RECYCLING HAULERS LICENSING & REPORTING ORDINANCE

COUNTY CODE: CHAPTER 11: ARTICLE IV. RECYCLING & HAULER LICENSING ORDINANCE (RES 95-157)

What Does This Law Require?

(1) **Licensing:** The law states that companies with two (2) or more trucks, collecting or hauling garbage, municipal waste, recyclables, or other refuse from sites within Kane County must procure from the county an annual license to do so [11-113, (a)]. Note that companies operating only one (1) truck are exempt from the fee.

(2) **Fees:** License and Vehicle Registration Fees are required as follows: [11-113, (f)].

- Haulers with only one (1) truck, are exempt from the fee, and need only submit report.
- Haulers with two to five (2-5) trucks, are required to pay a fee equal to the total sum of:
 - The base fee of \$100, plus
 - For each vehicle used in collecting municipal waste, recyclables, landscape waste, or food scraps, \$25 per vehicle.
- Haulers with six (6) or more trucks, are required to pay a fee equal to the total sum of:
 - The base fee of \$500, plus
 - For each vehicle used in collecting municipal waste, recyclables, landscape waste, or food scraps, \$50 per vehicle.

(3) **Reporting:** On or before January 31 of each year, each hauler shall submit a written report, on forms provided by the county, of tonnages of materials collected the previous calendar year. Failure to submit this report is a violation of the article and will result in suspension or revocation of the license. [11-113, (i)].

(4) **Commercial & Multi-Residential Recycling Service:** Haulers may not collect waste from any establishment that is not recycling [11-112, (b) 3].

When Did This Law Take Effect?

January 1, 1996, with revisions in 2019 to increase licensing fees.

What Are The Penalties For Non-Compliance With This Ordinance?

Any licensed hauler who violates any provision of this article shall be subject to a fine of \$50 for the first violation; \$100 for the second violation; and \$200 for a third violation. For non-compliance beyond this point, please refer to the full wording in the County Code [11-115, (a) 1]. Any commercial establishment or owner of a multi-family dwelling unit who violates any provision of the Ordinance shall also be subject to fines for non-compliance.

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Does My Company Have To Collect Recyclable Materials & Yard Waste Separately From Trash?

Yes. You must have the means and methods employed to collect, process and market separated recyclable materials from occupants of single-family, two-family and multi-family dwelling units, and commercial establishments, as required under sections 11-111 and 11-112 of this article. Typical single-stream recyclable materials include cardboard, office paper, wood pallets, aluminum cans, glass bottles, plastic bottles, etc.

Do I Have To Provide Businesses Or Multi-Family Dwellings With Recycling Service?

You are required by this ordinance to provide recycling services to any client from which you collect trash. Work with your client, to assess types and percentages of recyclable materials currently in their waste stream, and customize your dumpster and cart sizes, in combination with monitoring and adjusting the frequency of your service, in order to minimize cost and improve efficiency. Ideally, the cost of recycling service can be greatly offset by reduced trash service costs.

Are Businesses Required To Report Recycling Volumes To The County?

Not if they recycle with a county-licensed waste hauler. The hauler is required to report volumes to the County.

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