

## **FAQ - Gate Fee Implementation at Landfills**

**Q: When was the gate fee approved by Council?**

**A:** The gate fee was approved as part of the 2024/2025 budget and [can be reviewed here](#).

**Q: How much revenue will the new gate fee generate?**

**A:** The City is expected to collect fee revenues of \$475,000 in 2024 and \$950,000 in 2025. This will offset operational costs of waste disposal and diversion facilities.

**Q: What are the environmental benefits and alignments with the Community Energy and Emissions Plan?**

**A:** This initiative aims to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and landfill wait times by discouraging unnecessary visits to the landfill sites. It also aims to promote responsible waste management practices by encouraging waste reduction, reuse, recycling and composting efforts within our community.

**Q: When will the \$5 gate fee be implemented?**

**A:** The \$5 gate fee will begin July 1, 2024, and will be applied to every vehicle delivering any material to Greater Sudbury landfills (Sudbury, Azilda and Hanmer) and the Walden Small Vehicle Transfer Station. Tipping fees will continue to be collected in addition to the gate fee.

**Q: Which landfills will have a gate fee?**

**A:** A gate fee will be applied to every vehicle delivering any material to Greater Sudbury landfills (Sudbury, Azilda and Hanmer) and the Walden Small Vehicle Transfer Station.

**Q: Will the fee apply to all landfill users?**

**A:** Yes, the fee applies to all landfill users, including residents and commercial users.

**Q: How will the fee be collected?**

**A:** The gate fee will be paid when exiting the landfill site. Payment options are cash, debit, Visa or MasterCard.

**Q: Are there changes to tipping fees?**

**A:** There are no changes to tipping fees. The \$5 gate fee will be charged in addition to current tipping fees, if any.

**Q: Is the gate fee applied to all waste types?**

The \$5 gate fee is to enter the landfill and waste diversion site or the Walden small vehicle transfer station, and will be charged regardless of the type of waste being dropped off.

**Q: How can I visit the landfill less frequently?**

**A:** Residents can avoid landfill visits by reducing, reusing and recycling. Many items brought to the landfill for disposal can be collected as part of existing roadside collection programs, such as unlimited Green Cart organics, Blue Box recyclables, leaf and yard trimmings, and large furniture, appliances and electronics collection.

If you have an additional bag/container/bundle of garbage outside of the allowable limit, garbage bag tags are available for purchase [online](#), or in-person at the One-Stop Services counter at Tom Davies Square, Citizen Service Centres and Greater Sudbury Public Library locations and a number of [local retailers](#).

**Q: Will the \$5 gate fee be applied during landfill tipping fee holiday week?**

**A:** No, residential waste brought to landfills or the Walden Small Vehicle Transfer Station in a private motor vehicle during the tipping fee holiday week will not be subject to the gate fee. Non-residential deliveries are not eligible for the tipping fee holiday and will still be charged the gate fee.