
MEMORANDUM

TO: Solid Waste Transporters

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SUBJECT: Annual Fee and Rule Changes for Solid Waste Transporters

Introduction:

The North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality – Solid Waste Program (Department) has completed rule changes that will affect solid waste transporters. The changes include a revised permit application fee, revised effective permit dates, a decal requirement and eliminating the annual fee for solid waste transporters as of this year (2020).

Starting July 1, 2020, all new permits and permit renewals will be good for a period of 5 years from the date of issuance. The annual fee is being replaced with a per truck decal fee. Each truck hauling waste into or out of North Dakota will be required to display a pair of decals, to be mounted on each door of the cab before the disposal location will allow any dumping of waste. The decals will be good for the effective period of the permit. Each new permit or permit renewal will have an application processing fee of \$200 and be issued one pair of decals for free, and a \$25 fee will be charged for each additional collection vehicle (pair of decals).

Rules change:

The following section of the North Dakota Administrative Code (NDAC) Solid Waste Rules have been changed as follows:

33.1-20-02.1-01. Solid waste management permit required.

Every person who treats or transports solid waste or operates a solid waste management unit or facility is required to have a valid permit issued by the department, unless the activity is an emergency, exemption, or exception as provided in this section.

3. A permit for transportation of solid waste is not required by persons who:
- Transport solely their own waste to a solid waste management unit or facility; or
 - Transport waste entirely within a facility regulated under this article or entirely on their property.

33.1-20-15-01. Application processing fee.

- Applicants for permits for transporting solid waste and for solid waste management units shall pay, at the time the permit application is filed, an application processing fee as follows:
 - Two hundred dollars for a solid waste transporter.

- (1) Solid waste transporter permits are effective for up to five years, expiring on June thirtieth of the fifth year.
- (2) Each solid waste transport vehicle shall display decals issued by the department that show the solid waste transporter permit number and permit expiration date.
- (3) The application processing fee shall include decals for one solid waste transport vehicle.
- (4) Decals for additional solid waste transport vehicles covered by the permit are available for purchase at the time of application or any later time during the permit period for a fee of twenty-five dollars per vehicle.
- (5) Additional decals may only be purchased for vehicles directly owned or operated by the permittee. Additional decals may not be purchased for vehicles owned or operated by a subcontractor working for the permittee. A solid waste transportation subcontractor must apply for and obtain an individual solid waste transporter permit.
- (6) New vehicle decals are required after a permit expires regardless of when the decal was purchased during the permit period.

Information Submittal:

Later this year, the Department will notify each permitted solid waste transporter that they will have until July 1, 2021 to do the following:

1. Update their permits with current contact information.
2. Update the quantity and type of collection vehicles they are using to pick-up and/or dispose of waste in North Dakota (i.e.: truck, tractor-trailer).
3. Request permit decals from the Department and display them on each collection vehicle.

Currently issued permits will have a revised expiration date based on when the permit was last issued, and the permit holder will be notified by the Department of the new expiration date. Each current permit holder will be issued one pair of decals for free, and a \$25 fee will be charged for each additional collection vehicle (pair of decals).

Additionally, the Department has recently rolled out an electronic application portal for solid waste transporters that is able to accept credit cards and e-checks. The portal can be utilized for new permits, permit renewals, permit modifications, requesting vehicle decals, and updating contact information. The electronic application portal is available at the following link:

<https://deq.nd.gov/WM/Transportation/>

Should you have any questions or need more information, please contact Derek Hall at 701-328-5168 or dahall@nd.gov or the Solid Waste Program at 701-328-5166 or solidwaste@nd.gov.

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