

RESPONSIBLE UNIT RECYCLING ORDINANCE

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Adopted by Town of Holland, March 4 2026

Recycling Ordinance for the Town of Holland, Brown County, Wisconsin

The purpose of this ordinance is to promote recycling, composting, and resource recovery through the administration of an effective recycling program, as provided in s. 287.11, Wis. Stats., and ch NR 544, Wis Adm. Code.

Ordinance Sections required by DNR:

- A. **Separation of Recyclable Materials. S.1.11** Occupants of single family and 2–4-unit residences, multiple-family dwellings and non-residential facilities and properties shall separate the following materials from post-consumer waste:
1. lead acid batteries
 2. major appliances
 3. waste oil
 4. yard waste
 5. aluminum containers
 6. bi-metal containers
 7. corrugated paper or other container board
 8. foam polystyrene packaging
 9. glass containers
 10. magazines
 11. newspapers
 12. office paper
 13. rigid plastic containers (PETE, HDPE, PVC, LDPE, PP, PS and other resins or multiple resins)
 14. steel containers
 15. waste tires
- B. **Separation Requirement Exempted. S. 1.12** The separation requirements of s 1.11 do not apply to the following:
- a. Occupants of single family and 2–4-unit residences, multiple-family dwellings and non-residential facilities and properties that send their post-consumer waste to a processing facility licensed by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources that recovers the materials specified in s. 1.11 from solid waste in as pure a form as is technically feasible.
 - b. Solid waste which is burned as a supplement fuel at a facility if less than 30% of the heat input to the facility is derived from the solid waste burned as supplement fuel.
 - c. A recyclable material specified in s.1.11(5) through (15) for which a variance has been granted by the Department of Natural Resources under s 287.11(2m), Wis Stats. Or s NR 544.14 Wis. Adm Code.

C. Responsibilities of Owners or Designated Agents of Multiple-Family Dwellings. S.1.16

1. Owners or designated agents of multiple-family dwellings shall do all of the following to recycle the materials specified in s 1.11(5) through (15)
 - a. Provide adequate, separate containers for the recycling program established in compliance with the ordinance. The number of recycling containers shall equal or be greater than the number of trash containers and at least one of the following shall be met:
 - i. The minimum total volume of recycling container space is equal to 20 gallons per week per dwelling unit.
 - ii. The ratio of trash container volume to recycling container volume is at most 2:1.
 - iii. An alternative method that does not result in the overflow of a recycling container during the time period between collection of materials and delivery to a recycling facility.
 - b. Notify tenants in writing at the time of renting or leasing the dwelling and at least semi-annually thereafter about the established recycling program.
 - c. Provide for the collection of the materials separated from the solid waste by the tenants and the delivery of the materials to a recycling facility.
 - d. Notify tenants which materials are collected, how to prepare the materials in order to meet the processing requirements, collection methods or sites, and locations of drop-off collection sites to recycle materials not collected on-site.
2. The requirements specified in 1) do not apply to the owners or designated agents of multiple-family dwellings if the post-consumer waste generated within the dwelling is treated at a processing facility licensed by the Department of Natural Resources that recovers for recycling the materials specified in s.1.11(5) through (15) from solid waste in as pure a form as is technically feasible.

D. Responsibilities of Owners or Designated Agents of Non-Residential Facilities and Properties. S 1.17.

1. Owners or designated agents of non-residential facilities and properties shall do all of the following to recycle the materials specified in s. 1.11(5) through (15):
 - a. Provide adequate, separate containers for the recycling program established under this section. The total volume of recycling containers shall be sufficient to avoid overflow during the time period between collection of materials and delivery to a recycling facility.
 - b. Notify in writing, at least semi-annually, all users, tenants and occupants of the properties about the established recycling program.
 - c. Provide for the collection of materials separated from the solid waste by the users, tenants and occupants and the delivery of the materials to a recycling facility.
 - d. Notify users, tenants and occupants which materials are collected, how to prepare materials in order to meet the processing requirements, collection methods or site, and locations of drop-off collection sites to recycle materials not collected on-site.
2. The requirements specified in 1) do not apply to the owners or designated agents of non-residential facilities and properties if the post-consumer waste generated within the facility or property is treated at a processing facility licensed by the Department of Natural Resources that recovers for recycling the materials specified in s 1.11 (5) through (15) from solid waste in as pure a form as is technically feasible.

E. Prohibitions on Disposal of Recyclable Materials Separated for Recycling S. 1.18

No person may dispose of in a solid waste disposal facility or burn in a solid waste treatment facility any of the materials specified in s. 1.11 (5) through (15) that have been separated for recycling, except waste tires may be burned with energy recovery in a solid waste treatment facility.

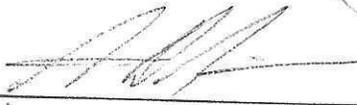
F. Enforcement s.1.19

1. For the purpose of ascertaining compliance with the provisions of this ordinance, any authorized officer, employee or representative of the Town of Holland or their hauler designee may inspect recyclable materials separated for recycling, post-consumer waste intended for disposal, recycling collection sites and facilities, collection vehicles, collection areas of multiple-family dwellings and non-residential facilities and properties, and any records relating to recycling activities, which shall be kept confidential when necessary to protect proprietary information. No person may refuse access to any authorized officer, employee, or authorized representative of the Town of Holland or their hauler designee who requests access for purposes of inspection, and who presents appropriate credentials. No person may obstruct, hamper, or interfere with such an inspection.
2. Any person who violates a provision of this ordinance may be issued a citation by a Town of Holland official to collect forfeitures. The issuance of a citation shall not preclude proceeding under any other ordinance or law relating to the same or any other matter. Proceeding under any other ordinance or law relating to the same or any other matter shall not preclude the issuance of a citation under this paragraph.
3. **Penalties for violating this ordinance may be assessed as follows s.1.19:**
 - a. Any person who violates s. 1.18 may be required to forfeit \$50 for a first violation, \$200 for a second violation, and not more than \$2000 for a third or subsequent violation.
 - b. Any person who violates a provision of this ordinance, except s. 1.18, may be required to forfeit not less than \$10 or more than \$1000 for each violation.

Adopted this 4th day of March, 2026 Vote 2-0

~~Chairman, Mike Smits~~ absent

Supervisor, Tom Vande Wetering 

Supervisor, Steve Deslauriers 
(Acting Chairman)

Attest: Clerk Gloria Kennedy 

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