

Lasqueti Island Waste Management Tipping Fee and Material Update

What's New

A new bylaw, Bylaw 602, has been adopted for Lasqueti Island's waste collection program. **Updated tipping fees will come into effect on September 1, 2025 and will better reflect the cost of transporting and managing waste from the island.** These changes help ensure the long-term sustainability of the program. Monthly garbage collection will continue at the boat ramp.

We encourage all Lasqueti Island residents to make use of local recycling programs which will help reduce the volume of waste going to landfill and to keep disposal costs down for everyone.

The qRD is committed to waste diversion. These updated fees are designed to encourage the use of free recycling programs and shift disposal costs **away from your property taxes and onto high-volume waste producers.**

At the same time, the qRD is updating site rules to **keep staff and visitors safe**, support smooth daily operations, and meet **safety standards**. Following these guidelines helps ensure that waste is managed responsibly and that our facilities can continue to operate efficiently and safely.

Collection Time & Location:

The Lasqueti waste collection service will continue at the barge ramp: 11:00am – 1:00pm, the second Wednesday of every month, except for holidays.

If weather is unfavourable for travel on the second Wednesday of the month, or if collection day falls on a holiday, the service will be rescheduled for another day.

Questions?

If you're unsure about disposal or recycling options on Lasqueti, please contact **Coordinator Mark Bottomley** at **250-240-9886**.

For questions about how fees apply or to find out more information about the bylaw, please call **604-485-2260** or email **environmentalservices@qathet.ca**.

Let's work together to reduce landfill waste and keep Lasqueti beautiful.
Thank you for your cooperation!



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What's Accepted & Current Fees



MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE (Household Garbage):

- **\$7.50 per standard bag**
(same as before)
- **\$40.00 per truckload** of MSW
(Note: Truckloads do not include bulky items, mattresses, or tires which are subject to additional fees)

Mattresses & Box Springs:

- **\$32 per unit**

These are large and relatively light items that take up more space and cost more to transport than regular household garbage.

New bylaw:

View the full bylaw at qathet.ca or scan the QR code here:



Bulky Items:

- **\$20 per unit**

These are large, rigid items like furniture and outdoor toys that don't fit in standard garbage bags. Similar to mattresses, these bulky items take up more space and cost more to transport.

- o Fee applies per item — ask staff on site for assessment
- o If an item is broken down to fit in a standard garbage bag, it may be accepted at the regular \$7.50 bag rate

Tires:

Tires are recycled through the BC Tire Stewardship program. Fees cover the extra cost of shipping tires off of Lasqueti Island to a designated collection point, plus tire removal from rims – where applicable.

- **Off-rim tires:** \$3 per unit
- **Passenger tires on rims:** \$15 per unit
- **Commercial tires on rims:** \$70 per unit

PROHIBITED MATERIALS – Not Accepted at This Site:

The following items **cannot** be dropped off due to safety risks or the need for special handling:

- Agricultural waste and land clearing debris
- Dead animals or biomedical waste (e.g. sharps, tissues, fluids)
- Waste oil, petroleum by-products, and other liquids or sludges (some of these are accepted for recycling at the Lasqueti recycle depot)
- Asbestos, contaminated soil, or hazardous/reactive materials
- Gas cylinders, combustible and explosive material
- Creosote-treated wood and gypsum (any type)
- Ignitable or smoldering materials
- Radioactive or reactive waste
- Sewage, septic waste, or tight-head barrels (non-removable tops)
- Invasive plant species