

SOUTHERN UTE UTILITIES DIVISION SOLID WASTE COLLECTION POLICIES



General:

The Solid Waste Collection service provides a means for all Tribal commercial and residential customers to dispose of their trash. The service contracts for trash disposal for both residential and commercial customers. Residential customers are provided polycarts and commercial customers have the choice between polycarts or dumpsters. Polycarts and dumpsters are emptied weekly.

The service also operates and maintains a Transfer Station that has two 30-yard open top "roll off" trash receptacles and a burn pile. The roll offs are emptied as needed. The service coordinates with other Tribal Departments and provides free trash collection and disposal one week in the Spring and one week in the Fall. Household and special wastes are usually collected twice per year at the Transfer Station and then disposed of by a certified Special Waste Company. The Solid Waste Monitor operates and maintains the Transfer Station.

Transfer Station Administrative Procedures:

The Transfer Station and Burn Pile are for Tribal Member and Tribal Department use only. Customers are allowed to dump 5 cubic yards of personal trash per week at the Station. Tribal Member customers wishing to use the Transfer Station are required to register annually at the Utilities Division main office to receive a vehicle pass granting access to the Transfer Station. Two passes per Tribal Member household will be given annually. No contractors will be allowed to use the Transfer Station. Other Tribal Programs and Departments are allowed to dump approved items at the Transfer Station.

The following items are **ACCEPTED**:

- General Household Garbage
- Chemicals and Oil Common to Household Use
- Latex and Oil Based House Paints
- Home Appliances, Refrigerators and Freezers
- Home Electronics
- Car Batteries
- Branches, Leaves and Burnable Lumber

The following items are **NOT ACCEPTED**:

- Construction Debris
- Remodeling Debris
- Home and Property Demolishment Project Debris
- Commercial or Contractor Debris
- Chemicals and Oil Common in Quantity and Use to Commercial or Industrial Applications
- Concrete, Masonry and Rocks
- Dead Animals
- Stumps or Logs Greater than 611 in Diameter
- Vehicles and Trailers
- Tires (4 tires are accepted ONLY during the Spring & Fall clean-up events)
- Poison

The Transfer Station is typically open Monday through Saturday with normal hours of operation posted at the front gates. The Station is subject to administrative, holiday and weather-related closures without prior public notice.

Trash Pickup Administrative Procedures:

1. Residential Customers must place their polycarts at the side of the road by 6:30 a.m. on their scheduled pickup day or risk the chance of their trash not getting picked up by the contractor.
2. Elders and Handicapped customers may have their polycarts picked up at their home (verses the road) by making arrangements through the Southern Ute Utilities Division Office. The trash contractor will place blue stakes at the entrance to the Elder or Handicapped customer driveways indicating their special needs.
3. When polycarts are not emptied, customers must report to the Southern Ute Utilities Division Office within 24 hours of the scheduled weekly pickup to obtain a special pickup.
 - If the missed pickup is due to scheduling errors or mechanical issues by the contractor, Utilities Division staff will pick-up and dump polycarts free of charge.
 - If the missed pickup is due to the customer not placing their polycart curbside in time for the contractor to retrieve it, they will have to wait until the following week's regular pickup or may request a special trash pickup by Utilities Division staff. In this circumstance, special trash pick-ups will be charged a \$30.00 fee.