



# Guidance Document: Disposal of Damaged or Destroyed Structures

*Information for guiding RDCK residents in the disposing of structures e.g., buildings that are damaged or destroyed in emergency events such as wildfires, floods or severe weather events, at RDCK landfills and transfer stations.*

## Assessing Disposal Options

The options for disposal will vary in each situation, depending on the age of the structure, available information, and extent of the damage. To begin this process, please refer to the contact information at the bottom of the page.

## Prohibited or Controlled Materials

All materials accepted for landfilling must conform to applicable Operational Certificates and Bylaws. Before an approval for disposal of a damaged or destroyed structure is approved, the following conditions must be met:

- Any **Asbestos Containing Materials (ACM)** must be identified and segregated for separate disposal. All ACM must be double-bagged in 6mil poly, disposed separately through a booked appointment, and taken to the designated Landfill. **Transfer Stations DO NOT ACCEPT ACM.** For more information please visit: <https://www.rdck.ca/EN/main/services/waste-recycling/asbestos-disposal-guidelines.html>
- Disposal of **Hazardous Waste** is prohibited at all RDCK Facilities. A disposal approval may require a Hazardous Waste Assessment from an RDCK approved company. Other common household prohibited waste include antifreeze, petroleum products, batteries, paint products, and solvents. Any items containing free liquids are also prohibited. For more information, please visit: <https://www.rdck.ca/EN/main/services/waste-recycling/waste-disposal.html>
- **Burnt structures** must be fully extinguished and cooled prior to disposal. No hot or smouldering materials will be accepted for disposal.
- **Ash materials** must be double-bagged and secured in such a manner to minimize dust at the time of disposal.
- **Additional Conditions** and/or restrictions may apply, and will be assessed on a case-by-case basis.

## Source Separation

Recyclable materials such as wood and metal have significantly lower disposal rates and should, where safely possible, be separated prior to disposal.

## Transfer Stations

Transfer Stations are limited to loads under 5m<sup>3</sup>. Larger loads and Asbestos can only be disposed of at landfills.

## Tipping Fees

Tipping fees are set in Schedules A-1, A-2 and A-3 in the RDCK Resource Recovery Facility Bylaw. Staff do not have the authority to waive tipping fees.

**For more information Please Contact**

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