

FRANCIS COOKE LANDFILL AND RESOURCE RECOVERY CENTRE
LIST OF EASILY RECOVERED MATERIALS

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The materials identified in this list are expected to be separated from loads of waste delivered for burial at the Francis Cooke Facility Landfill and Resource Recovery Centre. Customers are strongly encouraged to take advantage of the significantly discounted rates for tipping these materials separately in the resource recovery drop-off areas. Please call the scale office or refer to our web site for the most current version of this list.

Loads left for burial that do not contain these materials are eligible for the discounted SORTED load fee. If these materials are present in unacceptable proportions within any load tipped for burial then the significantly higher UNSORTED tipping fee will be charged. Fees apply to loads “as tipped” and as assessed by the operator or spotter on duty. This list may be amended from time to time and on short notice as the ability of the Commission to handle materials changes.

The operator or spotter on duty may from time to time make an exception to, allow some items to be removed from a tipped load to make it eligible for the Sorted rate. This occurs at their discretion and as operating and safety conditions permit.

MATERIAL	DESCRIPTION	PROPER DISPOSAL
Asphalt Pavement	Clean. Not affixed to other materials.	Francis Cooke Resource Recovery Center location as directed by scale attendant.
Asphalt Shingles	Clean shingles. Nails are ok but not mixed with other project garbage such as plastic wrap, wood or metal.	Francis Cooke Resource Recovery Center location as directed by scale attendant. Shingles are stockpiled until enough are accumulated to justify the cost of processing.
Cardboard & Mixed Paper	Clean. Not soiled by food or otherwise affixed to other waste. In a condition that would allow acceptance by municipal resource recovery programs.	Francis Cooke Resource Recovery Center location as directed by scale attendant. These materials may also be taken directly to a municipal depots. Please contact the municipality to confirm acceptance, rates and other instructions.
Construction Wood (E.g. Clean construction wood, dimensional lumber, pallets, solid wood furniture)	Individual pieces or items assembled with dimension wood, oriented strand board or plywood.	Francis Cooke Resource Recovery Center location as directed by scale attendant. No chemically treated material or extensively coated with adhesives. Non-hazardous coatings such as paints or stains, screws, nails and other small metal fasteners may be present. Not affixed to other waste materials.
Clean Fill (Earthen fill materials)	Soil, dirt, rock or other earth material typically excavated from the natural ground and not contaminated with organics or inorganic chemicals or excessive vegetative material.	Dispose at Francis Cooke Resource Recovery Center location as directed by scale attendant. In order to be accepted there must be confidence that these materials are “clean”. Loads may be refused until lab results can be obtained if there is any reason to believe the material is associated with contamination. Inquire in advance to avoid delays and ensure material may be accepted when it arrives at the facility.
Concrete, Cement, Brick, Cinder Blocks.	Clean. Not affixed to other waste materials. No natural rock or ceramic material.	Francis Cooke Resource Recovery Center location as directed by scale attendant.
Drywall/Gypsum Wall Board	Clean. Not affixed to other waste materials.	Francis Cooke Resource Recovery Center location as directed by scale attendant.
Electronics	Computers and connected peripherals, televisions, monitors, printers, copiers, scanners and fax machines And other products accepted in Alberta’s electronics recycling program including all those items currently accepted as part of the Expanded Electronics Recycling Program Pilot. Visit Alberta Recycling for details.	Francis Cooke Resource Recovery Center location as directed by scale attendant. These items may also be taken directly to your municipal recycling depot. Please contact the municipality to confirm acceptance, rates and other instructions.

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Metal	Pieces of metal or items constructed predominantly of metal such as large appliances.	Francis Cooke Resource Recovery Center location as directed by scale attendant. Some of these items may also be taken directly to a municipal depot. Please contact the municipality to confirm acceptance, rates and other instructions such as eligibility for large item collection programs.
Soft Yard and Garden	Soft plant material such as leaves, grass, potted plants.	Francis Cooke Compost facility as directed by scale attendant. These items may also be taken directly to a municipal depot. Please contact the municipality to determine if commercial material is accepted at municipal depots.
Tires and Wheel Rims	Tires or metal wheel rims, separate or tire still attached to the rim.	Francis Cooke Resource Recovery location as directed by scale attendant.
Wire and Cables	Wire and cable separated from wooden spool and not tangled with other metal.	May be tipped in the metal recycling area. Long strands of wire are difficult to handle, damage machines and create safety hazards when being loaded for shipping to a recycler. Lengths longer than 3 meters must be kept separate so that they can be placed in a separate pile for future handling. Ask the scale office for special wire tipping instructions.
Woody Scrub And Brush	Woody plant material such as branches, stumps and tree trunks.	Francis Cooke Resource Recovery Center location as directed by scale attendant. These items may also be accepted at a municipal depot. Please contact the municipality to confirm eligibility for acceptance, rates and other instructions.

The following materials are considered recyclable. They are usually not found in significant amounts in loads delivered to the Francis Cooke facility and, if found in small amounts, usually are not included in the assessment for percentage of recoverable resources. However, if significant amounts are found in a load tipped at the facility they may be considered as recoverable resources for the purpose of assessing "Sorted" versus "Unsorted" loads.

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Any material deemed recyclable or recoverable by member municipalities.	Any material that is acceptable Class III waste but is otherwise deemed recyclable or recoverable in member municipal solid waste bylaws or provincial stewardship programs.	These materials should be disposed in the relevant municipal recycling program where the waste is generated.
Electronics (household and shop items not included in the Alberta Recycling stewardship program)	This includes small household tools and appliances such as vacuum cleaners, hand-held electronic tools, and kitchen appliances, radios and stereo equipment. All easy-to-remove <u>batteries must be removed.</u>	The items should be kept separate and placed in the electronics collections cages provided. They are not covered by the Alberta Recycling stewardship program and the Commission pays for them to be recycled. Batteries must be taken to a municipal battery recycling drop-off.
Glass Containers	Clean glass containers. No attached food residuals. No laminated glass. No mirror glass. Other types of glass may be approved at the scale on a case-by-case basis.	Francis Cooke Resource Recovery Center location as directed by scale attendant. Food container glass may also be taken directly to a municipal depot. Please contact the municipality to confirm acceptance, rates and other instructions.
Mattresses and Box Springs	Any mattress, box spring or foam slab.	Items do not need to be free of dirt but must be free of bed evidence of bugs and contaminants related to medical waste, human fluids and excrement. Please explain your reason for disposing of these items disclose their condition to the scale office prior to tipping. Items not accepted for recycling may be accepted for burial as garbage on the direction of facility staff. Surcharges apply to these items whether suitable for recycling, or not, due to the extra handling required to properly dispose of them.

Microwave Ovens	Microwave ovens with food removed.	Microwave ovens may be placed in the designated recycling cage in the electronics drop-off area. Please do not mix microwaves with other items. They may be placed on the adjacent ground if cages designated for microwaves are full.
Mixed Paper	Office paper, magazines, paper packaging and fillers or other papers identified in municipal recycling programs.	Contact local municipalities for recycling opportunities they provide for commercial paper. Small amounts may be placed in the cardboard bin at the Francis Cooke Facility.