



City and County of San Francisco Controller's Office of Refuse Rates Administration
San Francisco City Hall, Room 316
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
San Francisco, CA 94102

Notice of Public Hearing on Proposed Changes to Residential Refuse Collection and Disposal Rates

You're receiving this notice under a new voter-adopted process to evaluate and set refuse collection and disposal rates. The City's Refuse Rate Board may adopt a proposal to change the maximum rates for the collection and disposal of residential refuse in San Francisco, last approved in 2017. This process is governed by the City's Refuse Collection and Disposal Ordinance (San Francisco Health Code, section 290). Consistent with this Ordinance, the City has designated a Refuse Rates Administrator who is responsible for reviewing rate adjustment requests and making recommendations to the Refuse Rate Board about whether to adjust the rates. The Ordinance requires the rates to be just and reasonable.

Recology is requesting to increase the monthly charges for basic service by 6.15% over 2 years (3.90% on October 1, 2023, and an additional 2.17% on October 1, 2024), with similar increases to the various surcharges that may apply to individual customers (distance, elevation, access). Recology states this is intended to cover the cost of existing refuse service, as well as the cost of increased abandoned material collection, public bin collection, weekend cleanup events, and contamination. At the City's request, the rates also would continue to cover costs incurred by certain City departments related to solid waste management. **The City's Refuse Rates Administrator is recommending a lower cumulative increase to the monthly charges for basic refuse service, of 3.92% over 2 years (0.00% on October 1, 2023, and then a 3.92% increase on October 1, 2024).**

The Refuse Rate Board will hold hearings and vote on final rates which will not exceed Recology's request and will consider the Refuse Rates Administrator's proposal for lower rates. An illustration of these proposed rate changes is shown on the next page.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

And Important Information Regarding Refuse Rates
Proposed for Fiscal Years Ending 2024-2025.

You have 45 days to challenge rate changes. Get more info at:
<https://sf.gov/departments/office-refuse-rates-administrator>.

AVISO DE AUDIENCIA PÚBLICA

E información importante sobre las tarifas de basura para los años
fiscales que terminan 2024-2025. Tiene 45 días para Desafiar los cambios de tarifas.

Obtenga más información en: <https://sf.gov/departments/office-refuse-rates-administrator>.

PAUNAWA NG PAMPUBLIKONG PAGDINIG:

At Mahahalagang Impormasyon Tungkol sa Singil sa Basura
Na Ipinanukala sa mga Taong Pampiskalya na Magtatapos sa 2024-2025.

Mayroon kang 45 araw upang hamunin ang mga pagbabago sa singil.

Para sa karagdagang impormasyon: <https://sf.gov/departments/office-refuse-rates-administrator>.

公聽會通知

有關 2024-2025 財政年度新擬議垃圾處理費的重要信息。您有 45 天的時間來質

疑新收費。如需更多信息，請上網：<https://sf.gov/departments/office-refuse-rates-administrator>

Proposed Monthly Charges for Residential Buildings with 1-5 Dwelling Units With Once Weekly Service					
	Rate Year 2023	Rate Year 2024 (Oct. 1, 2023-Sept. 30, 2024)		Rate Year 2025 (Oct. 1, 2024-Sept. 30, 2025)	
	Current Rates	Proposal From Recology 3.90%	Proposal From Refuse Rates Administrator 0.00%	Proposal From Recology 2.17%	Proposal From Refuse Rates Administrator 3.92%
Cumulative % Change from Current Year	None	3.90%	0.00%	6.15%	3.92%
Base Service Charge per Unit	\$17.55	\$18.23	\$17.55	\$18.63	\$18.24
Trash Collection by Volume per 16 gal. of bin capacity	\$7.33	\$7.62	\$7.33	\$7.78	\$7.62
Recycling Collection by Volume per 32 gal. of bin capacity	\$7.33	\$7.62	\$7.33	\$7.78	\$7.62
Composting Collection by Volume per 32 gal. of bin capacity	\$7.33	\$7.62	\$7.33	\$7.78	\$7.62
TOTAL MONTHLY CHARGE	\$39.54	\$41.08	\$39.54	\$41.97	\$41.09
Proposed Monthly Charges for Apartment Buildings (6 - 600 Units) With Once Weekly Service					
Base Service Charge per Unit	\$5.83	\$6.06	\$5.83	\$6.19	\$6.06
Collection by Volume per 32 gal. of bin capacity	\$28.12	\$29.22	\$28.12	\$29.85	\$29.22
Collection by Volume per cu. yd. of bin capacity	\$177.42	\$184.34	\$177.42	\$188.34	\$184.37

YOUR RIGHTS UNDER PROPOSITION 218

Under Article XIII D, Section 6, of the California Constitution (also known as Proposition 218), you may submit a written protest against the proposed refuse rates. The Refuse Rate Board will not approve a rate adjustment if a majority of all residential ratepayers submit written protests. **Written protests can be submitted: (1) by mail to the Office of the Controller, Attn: Refuse Rates Administrator, San Francisco City Hall, Room 316, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, CA 94102; or (2) at a Refuse Rate Board hearing.** Oral comments do not qualify as a formal protest unless accompanied by a written protest, although the City welcomes all input. Only one protest may be registered per ratepayer account. **A written protest must: (1) indicate clearly that it is in opposition to the proposed rates; (2) provide the location of the identified parcel (by assessor’s parcel number, street address, or customer account); and (3) include the name and signature of the person submitting the protest.**

The hearing on the written protests will take place on **July 24, 2023 at 12:30 p.m. in Room 408 at City Hall, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place**, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard. Protests must be received by the end of the hearing. The Hearing Officer (Refuse Rate Board) will not accept or count protests received after the close of the hearing, even if postmarked prior to that time. If you have questions or would like more information, please visit <https://sf.gov/departments/office-refuse-rates-administrator> or email con.refuserates@sfgov.org