

§ 201-18. Trash collection; contractors; dumpster regulations. *[Added 11-24-1998; amended 9-5-2001, effective 9-12-2001; Amended 10-24-2011, effective 12-1-2011]*

A. Definitions. As used in this section, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

CONSTRUCTION AND DEMOLITION (C & D) DUMPSTER -- Any container used solely for the collection of construction, demolition and remodeling waste. [Added 9-5-2001, effective 9-12-2001]

CONTRACTOR -- The company or firm which is the owner of the dumpster.

DUMPSTER -- Any container used for the collection of garbage, offal or other offensive substances with a minimum capacity of 1.5 cubic yards.

TEMPORARY -- A period of time no greater than 30 days. [Added 9-5-2001, effective 9-12-2001]

B. Regulations.

- (1) Any contractor that operates or supplies a dumpster or trash collection service shall be required to obtain a permit from the Board of Health in accordance with § 201-17 of the Regulations of the Town of Northbridge Board of Health and MGL c. 111, § 31A.
Exception: Contractors who supply dumpster services solely for the purpose of the collection of construction, demolition and remodeling waste need not comply with § 201-17. [Amended 9-5-2001, effective 9-12-2001]
 - (a) C & D dumpster contractors shall be required to obtain a dumpster permit from the Board of Health office. Application for C & D dumpster permit shall include name and address of owner, location of dumpster on property, and name, address, and phone number of the owner of the dumpster.
 - (b) The fee for a temporary C & D dumpster permit shall be set by the Board. Said permit may be renewed for an additional 30 days upon application and payment of an additional fee. [See § 201-23 Fee Schedule]
 - (c) An annual C & D dumpster permit may be issued by the Board for large projects that may be ongoing (i.e., subdivision construction) or whose completion will not occur within a six-month period of time.
 - (d) The fee for an annual C & D dumpster permit shall be set by the Board. Said permit may be renewed annually at the close of the calendar year that the permit was issued

upon application to the Board and payment of a renewal fee. [See § 201-23 Fee Schedule]

- (e) There shall be no commingling of household waste with C & D waste.
- (f) All other regulations outlined in this chapter shall apply to C & D dumpsters.
- (2) The contractor's name and business telephone number shall be conspicuously displayed on the dumpster.
- (3) The property owner or authorized agent of the premises utilizing the collection service shall assure that each dumpster is of sufficient size and capacity to prevent overflowing.
- (4) Each dumpster must be situated so as not to obstruct the view of flowing traffic.
- (5) All dumpsters must be secure, free from tipping, in good working order and shall be capable of being closed. Exception: Dumpsters used for the disposal of demolition, construction or remodeling wastes may have open tops.
- (6) It shall be the responsibility of the property owner or agent being serviced to maintain the dumpster area free of odors, scattered debris, overflowing and all other nuisances.
- (7) The contractor shall have the dumpster deodorized and/or sanitized as necessary or as ordered by the Board of Health.
- (8) A contractor shall not leave an uncontracted dumpster or container at a property. Said container must be removed within 72 hours after termination of service.
- (9) The Board of Health, when deemed necessary, may require that a dumpster site be enclosed or screened by the property owner or authorized agent.
- (10) These regulations apply to all dumpsters in the Town of Northbridge whether for residential, commercial or industrial use.

C. Violations of these rules and regulations.

- (1) Suspension of licenses. Any refuse collection license may be suspended or revised by the Board of Health upon receipt of evidence satisfactory to the Board that the licensee has not conformed with the requirements of these regulations or such further regulations as may be adopted for the collection and disposal of refuse or upon recommendation of the Board of Health.
- (2) Violations. Violations of these regulations shall be punishable by a fine of \$25 per violation. Each day shall constitute a new violation.

- D. Severability. Each of these regulations shall be construed as separate to the end that if any regulation or sentence, clause or phrase thereof shall be held invalid for any reason, the remainder of that regulation and all other regulations shall continue in force.