

City of Seattle Public Utilities Notice of Rule Revision

Under the authority of the Seattle Municipal Code 3.02.030 and 3.32.020, Seattle Public Utilities proposes to revise Director's Rule SW-406, Temporary Container and Bag Placement and Removal at Curbs and Public Alleys. We invite the public's review and comment.

Last revised in 2014, SW-406 establishes the use of public spaces, such as curbs, for temporarily placing garbage and recyclables intended for collection. It also describes the Clear Alleys Program, including designated business districts and requirements.

The proposed changes to the rule include:

- Add cardboard-only dumpsters to the Clear Alleys Program container exceptions.
- Add several safety requirements for moving containers to staging locations.
- Add a requirement that containers in the public right of way in neighborhood business districts need to be lidded, locked, and the area kept clean.
- In business districts, clarify the time containers are allowed to be sitting in the right of way.
- Require no-parking restrictions be installed for containers staged in curb spaces.
- General updates to the text.
- Shorten the rule number from SW-406.1 to SW-406.

The full text of the draft can be found at:

www.seattle.gov/utilities/about/policies

Print copies available on request.

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