

TITLE VI PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT
CHAPTER 4 UTILITIES - REFUSE COLLECTION

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6-4-1 **DEFINITIONS.** For use in this chapter, the following terms are defined as follows:

1. "Refuse". Includes all garbage, rubbish, ashes, or other substances offensive to sight or smell, dangerous to the public health or detrimental to the best interests of the community except dead animals not killed for food.
2. "Garbage". Includes all animal, fruit, vegetable, and other refuse resulting from the preparation of food and drink.
3. "Rubbish". Includes all other refuse not falling within the term "garbage" except those objects too large to be placed in cans.
4. "Can". Means a container for the storage of garbage or rubbish, which is:
 - a. Provided with a handle and tight fitting cover.
 - b. Made of non-corrosive material.
 - c. Water-tight.
 - d. With a capacity of no more than thirty-three (33) gallons.
5. Yard Waste. Means debris such as grass clippings, leaves, garden waste, brush and twigs. Yard waste does not include tree stumps.
6. Recyclables. Recyclables means cardboard and paperboard with plastic liners, inserts, and wrappings removed; paper, newspapers, and magazines; aluminum and tin food and beverage containers; clear and colored household plastic bottles, lids, and containers; and clear or colored glass food and beverage containers.

6-4-2 **DUTY TO DISPOSE OF GARBAGE AND RUBBISH IN DISPOSABLE PLASTIC BAGS.** Each person shall dispose of garbage and rubbish in disposable plastic bags placed at curbside in approved provided containers.

Each person shall be provided with cans or approved containers for the storage of recyclables. Paper, newspapers and magazines must be bundled or tied separately or placed in a paper bag within the

container for recyclables. Such cans or containers shall be kept covered and reasonable clean at all times. They shall be in a position readily accessible to the collector.

6-4-3 ADMINISTRATION. Administration of this chapter shall be by the City Council, or such employee designated by the City Council.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.13(4))

6-4-4 STORAGE AND COLLECTIONS. Compliance will be adhered to the current collections contract as agreed to by and between the City Council and the contracted waste hauler. Upon changes or modifications to said collections contract, notification to the public will be made via the local newspaper, if available, posting, as well as copies of the revised conditions shall be available at City Hall.

All containers for garbage and rubbish shall be kept as provided in the rules and regulations for collection of refuse.

6-4-5 CONTRACT WITH GARBAGE, REFUSE, RECYCLABLE COLLECTOR. The City of Rockwell shall enter into a written agreement with a garbage, refuse, recyclable collector to provide for the collection of garbage, refuse, recyclables as defined in this Ordinance and in the manner required by this ordinance.

6-4-6 BURNING OF REFUSE.

1. It shall be unlawful for any person to burn or incinerate any garbage, rubbish, or refuse within the City except by permission of the City Council.

2. This section shall not apply to any incinerator operated under a license granted by the City or any burning conducted under the direction of the fire department for training purposes.

3. This section shall not apply to outdoor cooking appliances used for residential recreational purposes using commonly acceptable fuels.

6-4-7 REFUSE OTHER THAN GARBAGE. Each person shall dispose of all refuse other than garbage and rubbish accumulation on the premises such person owns or occupies before it becomes a nuisance. If it does become a nuisance, it shall be subject to provisions of Title III, Chapter 2 of this Code.

6-4-8 SEPARATION AND COLLECTION OF YARD WASTE. All persons shall separate yard waste from other solid waste and garbage and store yard waste in separate containers for collection.

The City shall not collect solid waste from which yard waste has not been separated.

6-4-9 SANITARY LANDFILL. The City Council by resolution may designate a sanitary landfill and establish reasonable rules and regulations necessary to control its use by the public and make charge for the use thereof.

6-4-10 CITY YARD WASTE SITE. Residents may utilize the City yard waste collection site according to the rules and regulations as established by the City Council.

Residents may burn yard waste at such dates and times as determined by the Rockwell City Council