

MIRAMAR LANDFILL SIMPLIFIED FEE SCHEDULE

Note: If you have a question not identified in the FAQ, please contact ESD Customer Services at 858-694-7000 or email trash@sandigeo.gov

1. What is the purpose of the simplified fee schedule?

- The simplified fees were implemented to reduce wait times at the scales and improve the customer service experience at the Miramar Landfill. We've also included new or adjusted methodology for flat rates, special handling, fibrous greens, green material, food material and clean wood.

2. How was it simplified?

- We created a three-tiered system for all vehicles, and
- Established two new flat rate tiers for larger vehicle types including rental box trucks such as U-Haul and Penske; and heavy vehicles and containers.

3. What vehicles fall under Tier 1?

- We consolidated Flat Rate fees for passenger vehicles and small trailers up to 9' in length.
- Tier 1 is for average loads weighing under one ton, including Car, Station Wagon, Crossover, SUV, Mini Van, Cargo Van, Pickup, Modified Pickup, Small Trailer up to 9', Double Axle Trailer and Modified Trailer.
- The fee is set at the equivalent of the cost for a pickup, which is 80% of the small vehicle Flat Rate transactions.

4. What vehicles fall under Tier 2 and 3?

- Flat Rate Fees for large vehicles that do not have a DPA or recorded tare weight.
- Tier 2 is for average loads weighing between 1 and 2 tons, including Pickup/Trailer Combo, Trailer over 9', Medium Trailer, Large Trailer, Box Truck, Medium Heavy, Heavy.
- Tier 3 is for average loads over 2 tons including Bins/Containers, City Pup, Drag-on Tractor, End Trailer, Semi-End Dump, 3 Axle Truck, Front Packer, Side Packer, Rear Packer.
- Rates for each tier are based on the weighted average for all vehicles in the tier.

5. What are the "Additional Fees" and other exclusions?

- **Special Handling Fees**
 - Set at 1.5 times the Trash/Refuse fee.
 - Examples include tree stumps, large items, large poles, large pipes, dead animals, hard-to-handle materials, dismantled boats, or recreational vehicles.
 - The fee is to recover the additional handling required for these types of items.
- **Fibrous Greens**
 - Set at 1.5 times the Green fee.
 - Additional handling and processing is required to break down fibrous plant material, such as palm fronds. The fee is to recover the additional handling required.
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- **Food Material**
 - Set at 1.5 times the Green fee.
 - Food material is subject to stricter requirements, must be processed within 30 minutes of its delivery, and must finish processing by the end of each day. The fee is to recover the additional handling required.
- **Clean Wood**
 - Set at 0.5 times the Green fee.
 - The cost of processing Clean Wood is estimated half of processing Greens.
- **Exemptions**
 - City residents will now pay for Greens and Clean Wood since weekly automated organic waste collection will be provided by the City and franchise haulers, this fee exemption is no longer necessary.
- **Metallic Discards**
 - We removed the Metallic Discard Waste Fee as metallic goods (refrigerators, washing machines, dishwashers, etc.) are not accepted for disposal at the Miramar Landfill. These items go to Recycling Centers.
- **Uncovered Loads**
 - We increased the Uncovered Load fee to \$50 for all vehicles to reduce litter, increase safety, and keep San Diego clean.
 - Per CVC 23115(a) No vehicle transporting garbage, swill, used cans or bottles, wastepapers, waste cardboard, ashes, refuse, trash, or rubbish, or any noisome, nauseous, or offensive matter, or anything being transported for disposal or recycling shall be driven or moved upon any highway unless the load is totally covered in a manner that will prevent the load or any part of the load from spilling or falling from the vehicle.

6. Can I bring my residential food waste to the landfill?

- The City is providing weekly food waste collection. If you bring food waste to the landfill, you will be charged a flat rate fee, depending on the vehicle type.

7. Why do City residents now have to pay for greens?

- The City is providing weekly collection for greens. Residents who bring greens to the landfill will pay the flat rate fee for the appropriate vehicle tier category.

8. How can I get a Deferred Payment Account (DPA)?

- For information on DPA, please visit [Deferred Payment Account Services | Environmental Services | City of San Diego Official Website](#)

9. How can I register my tare weight?

- You must weigh your vehicle when empty on the outbound scale to obtain a City decal. We will record your vehicle tare weight.