Resolution Adopting Chatham County Solid Waste Decal Policy

WHEREAS, Chatham County Waste Management Department desires to institute an equitable and manageable system to facilitate proper use of the County’s collection center program;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Chatham, North Carolina that we do hereby adopt the Chatham County Solid Waste Decal Policy.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said policy shall become effective January 1, 2006.

Adopted this, the 21st day of November, 2005.

Bunkey Morgan, Chairman

ATTEST:

Sandra B. Sublett, CMC, Clerk to the Board
Chatham County Board of Commissioners
Chatham County Waste Management Department  
Solid Waste Decal Policy

Section I

PURPOSE:  
To institute an equitable and manageable system to facilitate proper usage of Chatham Collection Centers by using identifying decals issued on a calendar year.

Section II

DEFINITIONS:  
A. Decals – An identifying label

B. Calendar year – Twelve month period beginning in January

C. Solid Waste Fees – The fee structure that supports all operations of Chatham County’s Waste Management Department as follows:  
Availability Fee (AVF): A flat fee per dwelling unit is charged to all homeowners in the unincorporated areas of the County. This fee generates revenues to cover the operating costs of keeping the collection centers available throughout the County. The fee also covers a portion of the cost of other Waste Management Programs (e.g. education, environmental enforcement, LCID landfill, household hazardous waste, yard waste, white goods and scrap tire management) that are available to all County residents.  
Disposal Fee (LFT): A flat fee per dwelling unit is charged to all homeowners in the unincorporated areas of the County who rely on the collection centers as their principal legal source for household waste disposal. Private haulers provide lists of their residential customers (to waive this fee) as part of their annual permitting process. This disposal fee generates revenues to cover the costs of disposing (tipping fee) waste from the collection centers.

D. Qualifying household – Residents of Chatham County that pay Chatham County Solid Waste fee(s), thereby qualifying them for use of Chatham County Collection Centers

E. Businesses – Commercial enterprises, all of which are exempt from use of Chatham County Collection Centers for disposal of business waste and recyclables

F. Resident – Private citizen of Chatham County, all of whom are eligible for use of Chatham County Collection Centers for disposal of residential trash and recyclables through payment of Chatham County Solid Waste fees

G. Dwelling – A structure in which people live that is assessed fees and taxes

H. Collection Center – A staffed facility that is owned or operated by the County at which County residents may bring their residential garbage and recyclables.
Section III

GUIDELINES:
A. Solid Waste decals will be issued on a calendar year, based on payment of Chatham County Solid Waste Fee(s).

B. Residents who fail to display current Chatham County Solid Waste decal shall not be allowed inside the collection centers for disposal of garbage and recyclables, use of swap shops, grazing card program, or for any other non-official reason.

C. Two decals shall be issued per qualifying household.

D. Decals shall not be issued to out-of-county residents.

E. Decals shall not be issued to Chatham County businesses.

F. Residents living in the incorporated parts of Chatham County (towns) may obtain Solid Waste decals by paying the Solid Waste Availability Fee through the Waste Management office.

G. Residents may purchase a replacement Solid Waste decal for the price of $10 through the Waste Management office in case of a broken windshield, new vehicle purchase, or other valid reason.

H. Residents moving into a dwelling that is current on payment of Chatham County Solid Waste Fee(s) may obtain two replacement decals at $10 each through the Waste Management office.

I. Residents moving into a newly constructed dwelling after January 1st may obtain Solid Waste decals through the Waste Management office by paying a pro-rated amount of the Chatham County Solid Waste Fee(s) for the remainder of the calendar year.