Will multi-family buildings be required to separate and collect food waste?
Future landfill bans may include residential food waste. Several multi-family buildings have implemented food waste collection programs. Multi-family owners and managers should contact their waste hauler to determine the suitability of introducing food waste collection in their building.

What other landfill ban materials affect multi-family dwellings?
The RDN has a policy of banning industry-led Provincial Product Stewardship program materials from landfill disposal.

These materials include:
- Automotive oil, filters and anti-freeze
- Batteries
- Electronics (TVs, computers, home stereos, cameras etc.)
- Fluorescent lights
- Household hazardous waste (flammable liquids, pesticides, solvents)
- Paint
- Refundable beverage containers
- Small appliances (Countertop (toasters, microwaves etc.), personal care (hair dryers, electric tooth brushes etc.), garment care (irons, steamers etc.) and time and weight measurement (electric clocks and scales).
- Tires


Who provides recycling collection services?
The following private services in the region can help multi-family dwellings design and implement an on-site recycling program. Services offered may include containers, signage, collection and education.

Alpine Disposal & Recycling Nanaimo
2250 McGarrigle Road, Nanaimo, BC V9S 4M6
Ph: (250) 755-1161 or (250) 741-1009

BFI Canada Inc.
1151 Herring Gull Way, Parksville, BC V9P 1R2
Ph. (250) 758-5360 or (250) 248-8109

DBL
4311 Jingle Pot Road, Nanaimo, BC V9T 5P5
Ph: (250) 751-8923 or 1-877-751-8922

Emterra Environmental
255 Eaton Street, Nanaimo, BC V9R 4Y5
Ph: (250) 716-3340

Haarsma Waste Innovations
PO Box 13, Lantzville, BC VOR 2H0
Ph: (250) 390-9887

Sun Coast Waste Services
PO Box 231, Parksville, BC V9P 2G4
Ph: (250) 753-2873 or (250) 248-5505

Super Save Disposal
19395 Langley By-Pass, Surrey, B.C., V3S 6K1
Ph: (604) 533-4423

Waste Management
241 Southside Drive, Nanaimo, BC V9R 5K1
Ph: (250) 753-3034 or 1-888-964-9778

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL: RDN Solid Waste Services
250-390-6560 School District 68 | 250-954-3792 School District 69
Email: zerowaste@rdn.bc.ca www.rdn.bc.ca Printed on Recycled Paper.
Multi-family dwellings in the Regional District of Nanaimo (RDN) represent a growing segment of the housing market and are included in the region’s Zero Waste Plan.

The Multi-Family Recycling Program has been developed in collaboration with multi-family property owners, the hauling community and the RDN to make multi-family recycling consistent with single family curbside collection programs.

**How is the program being put into action?**
The RDN prohibits materials from landfill disposal when local recycling and processing facilities are available. In 2010, household plastic containers were added to recyclable paper, cardboard, and metal, which were already banned from landfill disposal. These recyclable materials must be separated for recycling.

**How will the landfill disposal ban affect multi-family buildings?**
The landfill ban applies to all residential buildings in the region, including apartments, condominiums, townhouses and mobile home parks.

RDN Bylaw 1531 makes both waste generators and haulers responsible for separating banned materials from their refuse for recycling. To comply, multi-family complexes must have a system in place to separate and store recyclable materials for hauling to a licensed facility or depot.

Multi-family complexes must recycle the following materials:

- **Corrugated cardboard**
- **Paper including:** Newspapers and inserts, magazines and catalogues, telephone directories, office papers, envelopes, boxboard (cereal boxes), paper bags and junk mail
- **Household plastic containers:** Rigid HDPE and LDPE household plastic containers (e.g., milk jugs, food containers, dish soap and laundry detergent bottles)
- **Metal food and beverage containers**
- **Clean aluminum foil and trays**

**What are the benefits of expanded multi-family recycling?**
- Enables multi-family residents to access the same level of service as curbside programs;
- Conserves landfill space, energy and resources, and reduces greenhouse gas emissions; and
- Creates local jobs and supports a local green economy.

**What resources is the RDN providing?**
Multi-family educational materials are available at [www.rdn.bc.ca](http://www.rdn.bc.ca), Solid Waste, Zero Waste programs. Staff is available to provide multi-family complexes with recycling information.

**What will it cost to expand recycling?**
Most multi-family buildings provide some recycling service. For costs to expand your recycling service, please contact your waste hauler.

**When and how will the ban be enforced?**
Multi-family buildings are expected to comply voluntarily with the landfill disposal materials bans. Enforcement will be phased-in and waste haulers and generators could be subject to fines for loads containing banned materials.