

FACT SHEET

WHY IS THERE REGIONAL WASTE MANAGEMENT?

Because we all create waste, and our province needs long-term solutions to effectively handle our waste, protect the environment, and keep our communities healthy and well.

Service boards such as the Eastern Regional Service Board (ERSB) were developed by the Provincial government to support the Newfoundland and Labrador Waste Management Strategy, which was launched in 2002. Since we began implementing the strategy, 41 of 42 community dump and incinerator sites have been closed or decommissioned and a new modern waste management system was constructed.

By working on a regional basis, we help keep costs low and service levels high for everyone.

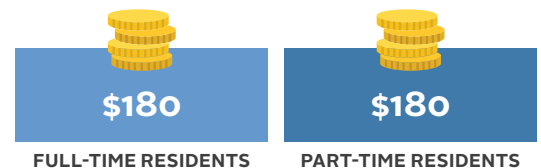
HOW DOES THE FEE STRUCTURE WORK?

For the last five years, every property has paid \$180 per year to access the new regional solid waste management system. ERSB designed this structure based on the premise that every property in the region has a waste stream, no matter how big or small, or whether it is a seasonal or non-seasonal property, so everyone should share in the cost of the system equally. It's the fairest solution.

WHAT HAPPENS IF EVERYONE DIDN'T PAY EQUALLY FOR ACCESS TO THE CURRENT MODERN WASTE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM?

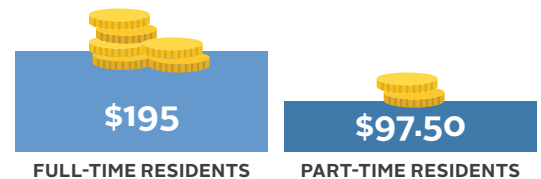
1. EQUAL ALLOCATION OF COSTS ACROSS ALL PROPERTIES:

- Total regional cost – **\$5,750,000**
- Number of properties sharing regional cost – **32,000**
- Cost per property – **\$180**



2. RESIDENTIAL RATE SUBSIDIZES SEASONAL PROPERTY:

- Total regional cost – **\$5,750,000**
- Number of properties – **27,000 full-time/5,000 seasonal paying half the full-time rate**
- Cost per property **full-time is \$195.00** and the seasonal pays **half the full-time rate \$97.50**



WHAT SERVICES DOES THE ERSB PROVIDE TODAY?

1. Weekly curbside waste collection and bi-weekly recycling collection
2. Access to ten waste recovery facilities throughout the region, where residents can drop off bulk garbage two days a week and on weekends
3. Bulk garbage collection, typically twice a year
4. Household hazardous waste collection initiatives throughout the year at volunteer fire departments
5. Public education to support new, modern waste management practices

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