



Store Garbage Properly and Discourage Scavenging

Take Action

The City of Edmonton requires owners to clean up private property to maintain community standards and public safety. This includes maintaining garbage storage locations by regular tidying and upkeep. Garbage left for collection is visible and accessible to the public, and a messy site can attract people who scavenge. Scavengers pose a risk to home and personal security, and their activities can lead to ad hoc dumping and even vandalism.

Edmonton's Community Standards Bylaw states:

- 1) A person shall not cause or permit a nuisance to exist on land they own or occupy.
- 2) For the purpose of greater certainty a nuisance, in respect of land, means land that shows signs of a serious disregard for general maintenance and upkeep, whether or not it is detrimental to the surrounding area.

Consider what you place out for garbage collection

Often the same items that attract scavengers are items that waste collectors will NOT pick up.

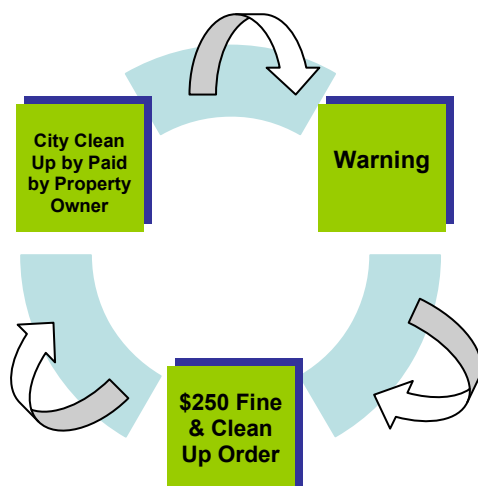
- Large bulky items like mattresses and old furniture
- Electronics and appliances
- Automotive parts
- Hazardous household waste
- Renovation/construction leftovers

★The only items suitable for collection are regular household and garden waste.

Keep Scavengers Away

- Lock garbage containers or build an enclosure to limit public access
- Condos and apartment owners provide keys only to tenants
- Monitor your garbage area
- Set garbage out close to the collection date
- Do not set out cans or bottles, and post signs saying "No Cans in Garbage."

Messy Property Enforcement Process



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