

Subscriber shall mean a resident who is subscribing to and receiving residential solid waste collection services from a franchisee.

Unincorporated area shall mean the unincorporated areas of Lowndes County as presently or hereafter established.

Vehicle shall mean any mobile device (whether or not motorized) in, upon, or by which any person or property is or may be transported or drawn upon a highway, road, rail, or track.

Yard waste, yard trimmings and yard trash shall mean leaves, pine straw, grass clippings, brush, shrub and tree prunings, tree limbs and stumps, discarded Christmas trees, nursery and greenhouse vegetative residuals, and vegetative matter resulting from usual and customary landscaping development and maintenance at residential premises.

**Section 1.6. Individual Placement and Disposal of Yard Trimmings.**

(a) It shall be unlawful to mix yard trimmings with any other solid waste collected from within the unincorporated area or from any resident except as permitted by OCGA § 12-8-40.2.

(b) Yard trimmings shall not be disposed at any solid waste disposal facility not lawfully permitted for the disposal of yard trimmings.

(c) Yard trimmings, if not collected by a franchisee hereunder, shall be disposed of in a lawful matter as follows:

- (1) sorted and stockpiled,
- (2) chipped,
- (3) composted,
- (4) used as mulch,
- (5) by otherwise beneficially reusing or recycling it to the maximum extent feasible,
- (6) at landfills permitted to accept yard trimmings under OCGA § 12-8-40.2, or
- (7) as otherwise permitted by any ordinance of Lowndes County.

**Section 1.7. Permitted Disposal.** No person shall dispose of any solid waste within the unincorporated area other than:

(a) through contract with a third party authorized by law to collect and dispose of the solid waste,

(b) in the case of residential solid waste, through the collection of such residential solid waste by a franchisee, or

(c) as otherwise specifically authorized and permitted by this Ordinance.

Such disposal shall in each case be performed in accordance with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, statutes, rules, and regulations.

**Section 1.8. Hours of Collection – Commercial Solid Waste.** A solid waste collector shall not engage in the collection of commercial solid waste from commercial solid waste containers, dumpsters, containers, or receptacles of any kind or type between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. except to perform emergency work or service required to safeguard the immediate health, safety, and general welfare of the public.