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PROCEDURE

Date: March 13, 2019
To: Jefferson County Residents
From: Jefferson County Public Works Solid Waste Manager
Subject: **Disposal of Unwanted Vessels (Boats) at Jacob Miller Transfer Station**

Purpose: Jefferson County Solid Waste offers a service for disposal of residential intact (whole) vessels and boat pieces (demolition material) for all types of boats. This memo is to inform Public Works employees and the public on the correct procedures to dispose of intact vessels (boats) or boat pieces at the Jacob Miller Transfer Station. Disposal fees for vessels whole or in pieces will be the current solid waste disposal rate per ton of waste.

Contact Solid Waste Transfer Station Office *Before* Arriving

- Prior to transporting vessel or vessel pieces to the Jacob Miller transfer station, contact the Solid Waste Operations Coordinator at 360-301-0759 or 360-385-9160 for information or to arrange for disposal and avoids confusion and delays at our facility.

Whole Vessel Disposal Procedure *With a Title*

- All whole vessels (boats) must have a signed Title when arriving at the transfer station.

Whole Vessel Disposal Procedure *Without a Title*

- Customers must obtain missing Title documents for whole vessels prior to disposal; i.e. *Affidavit in Lieu of Title*. Contact Port Townsend Vehicle Licensing Office (360-385-9115) for assistance.

Whole Vessels Customers *When Arriving*

- Must provide copy of the customer's driver license or acceptable WA state identification.
- Must provide Title or *Affidavit in Lieu of Title* from Port Townsend Vehicle Licensing Office.

REQUIRED PREPARATION OF ALL VESSELS - Whole or Pieces

- Hazardous/ Dangerous materials **MUST BE REMOVED PRIOR TO ARRIVAL** at Transfer Station. These include:

Fuel oil propane sewage gray or bilge water batteries tanks
mercury switches motors asbestos.

Note: Port of Port Townsend will dispose of grey/bilge water for a fee.

- Outboard motors that have no oil and gas will be accepted.
- Attached gas tanks must be completely drained and filled with sand or removed before acceptance.

- Regulatory code prohibits *removed inboard motors* and these are not accepted for disposal.
Special Note: Many licensed local salvage companies accept removed inboard motors, whole metal vessels and boat trailers and may provide a scrap metal refund to customers.

Final Preparation ***Before*** Arriving

- Always contact Transfer Station Coordinator 360-301-0759 prior to arrival to confirm acceptance.
- Demolition material (boat parts) must be less than 30 feet in length and acceptable widths. Call to confirm sizes.
- Whole vessels must be less than 30 feet in length, have Title document, copy of customer's license or other acceptable identification.
- Demolition boat pieces do not require vessel Title documents for disposal.

Disposal Alternative Options

Metal boats, boat trailers and boat motors many times are accepted as scrap at many licensed salvage yards and may include a cash refund based on weight, material and distance a wrecker must haul the vessel. We highly recommend calling the salvage or towing company for their disposal rules, procedures and your costs before moving the vessel.