

Wisconsin Landfill Environmental Fees for Various Waste Categories (\$/ton)

Effective 1/1/2026, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

Waste Category	Fees Authorized in Statutes					Fee Authorized by Adm. Code		Total Fees (\$/ton)
	Groundwater Fee (Paid Annually)	Well Comp Fee (Paid Annually)	Environmental Repair Fund Fee (Paid Annually)	Siting Board Fee (Paid Annually)	Recycling Fee (Paid Quarterly)	Total Statutory Fees (\$/ton)	Landfill Licensing Fee Surcharge (Paid Quarterly)	
1	\$0.10	\$0.04	\$5.70	\$0.007	\$7.00	\$12.847	\$0.25	\$13.097
2	\$0.10	\$0.04	\$0.20	\$0.007	Exempt	\$0.347	\$0.25	\$0.597
3	\$0.10	\$0.04	\$0.20	\$0.007	Exempt	\$0.347	\$0.25	\$0.597
4	\$0.10	\$0.04	\$0.20	\$0.007	Exempt	\$0.347	\$0.25	\$0.597
5	\$0.10	\$0.04	\$5.70	\$0.007	\$7.00	\$12.847	\$0.25	\$13.097
6	\$0.10	\$0.04	\$5.70	\$0.007	\$7.00	\$12.847	\$0.25	\$13.097
15	\$0.01	Exempt	\$0.01	\$0.007	\$7.00	\$7.027	\$0.25	\$7.277
17	\$0.01	Exempt	\$0.01	\$0.007	\$7.00	\$7.027	\$0.25	\$7.277
18	\$0.01	Exempt	\$0.01	\$0.007	\$7.00	\$7.027	\$0.25	\$7.277
19	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	\$0.00	Exempt	\$0.00
20	\$0.10	\$0.04	\$0.20	\$0.007	Exempt	\$0.347	\$0.25	\$0.597
21	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	\$0.00	Exempt	\$0.00
22	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	\$0.00	Exempt	\$0.00
23	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	\$0.00	Exempt	\$0.00
24	\$0.10	\$0.04	\$5.70	\$0.007	Exempt	\$5.847	\$0.25	\$6.097
25	\$0.10	\$0.04	\$5.70	\$0.007	\$7.00	\$12.847	\$0.25	\$13.097
26	\$0.10	\$0.04	\$4.05	\$0.007	Exempt	\$4.197	\$0.25	\$4.447
27	\$0.10	\$0.04	\$5.70	\$0.007	Exempt	\$5.847	\$0.25	\$6.097
28	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	\$0.00	Exempt	\$0.00
29	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	\$0.00	\$0.25	\$0.25
30	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	\$0.00	\$0.25	\$0.25
31	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	\$0.00	\$0.25	\$0.25
32	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	\$0.00	Exempt	\$0.00
33	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	\$0.00	\$0.25	\$0.25

- Category 1:** Municipal solid waste (MSW)
- Category 2:** Utility ash that meets the definition of high-volume industrial waste in s. 289.01(17), Wis. Stats. Refer to s. 289.645(3), Wis. Stats. for recycling fee exemption. Refer to s. 289.67(1)(cm), Wis. Stats. for environmental repair fee.
- Category 3:** Papermill sludge/ash that meets the definition of high-volume industrial waste in s. 289.01(17), Wis. Stats. Refer to s. 289.645(3), Wis. Stats. for recycling fee exemption. Refer to s. 289.67(1)(cm), Wis. Stats. for environmental repair fee.
- Category 4:** Foundry process waste that meets the definition of high-volume industrial waste in s. 289.01(17), Wis. Stats. Refer to s. 289.645(3), Wis. Stats. for recycling fee exemption. Refer to s. 289.67(1)(cm), Wis. Stats. for environmental repair fee.
- Category 5:** Publicly owned treatment works (POTW) sludges
- Category 6:** All other solid waste (non-hazardous waste) - Non MSW
- Category 15:** Non-hazardous sludge from mining operations. Refer to s. 289.63(3)(b), Wis. Stats. for well comp fee exemption. Refer to s. 289.67(1)(d), Wis. Stats. for environmental repair fee.
- Category 17:** Non-hazardous waste rock from mining operations. Refer to s. 289.63(3)(b), Wis. Stats. for well comp fee exemption. Refer to s. 289.67(1)(d), Wis. Stats.
- Category 18:** Other mining waste, such as tailing solids. Refer to s. 289.63(3)(b), Wis. Stats. for well comp fee exemption. Refer to s. 289.67(1)(d), Wis. Stats. fo
- Category 19:** Waste approved by the DNR for use as daily cover, dikes, berms, or roads within the landfill. Refer to s. 289.62(1)(b), Wis. Stats.
- Category 20:** Energy recovery incinerator ash
- Category 21:** High volume industrial waste approved by the DNR for use as daily cover, dikes, berms, or roads within the landfill. Refer to s. 289.62(1)(b), Wis. Stats.
- Category 22:** Shredder fluff approved by the DNR for use as daily cover, dikes, berms, or roads within the landfill. Refer to s. 289.62(1)(b), Wis. Stats.
- Category 23:** Treated contaminated soil approved by the DNR for use as daily cover, dikes, berms, or roads within the landfill. Refer to s. 289.62(1)(b), Wis. Stats.
- Category 24:** Unusable papermaking materials that meet the criteria in s. 289.645(4)(e), Wis. Stats.
- Category 25:** Construction & demolition (C&D) waste - subject to all the same fees as Category 1 waste
- Category 26:** Sediments contaminated with PCBs that meet the criteria in s. 289.645(4)(d) & s. 289.67(1)(cv), Wis. Stats.
- Category 27:** Waste generated by a nonprofit organization that meets the criteria in s. 289.645(4)(b), Wis. Stats.
- Category 28:** Solid waste materials generated as a result of a natural disaster that meet the criteria in s. 289.63(6)(b), 289.64(4)(b), 289.645(4)(f) & 289.67(1)(fm), Wis. Stats.
- Category 29:** Waste removed at the request of the DNR in order to mitigate potential environmental impacts in accordance with s. 289.675, Wis. Stats. (Effective April 25, 2014) Written authorization from DNR required prior to use of Category 29.
- Category 30:** Solid waste materials generated by a materials recovery facility (as described in ss. 289.63(6)(d)1.a, 289.64(4)(d)1.a, 289.645(4)(h)1.a., and 289.67(f)1.a.) in an amount equal to the weight of the residue generated by the facility or 10% of the total weight of material accepted by the facility, whichever is less. Residues that exceed the 10% cap should be reported as Category 1 waste. (Effective January 1, 2015)
- Category 31:** Solid waste materials generated by a licensed construction and demolition materials processor or licensed municipal solid waste combustor (ss. 289.63(6)(d)1.b. and c., 289.64(4)(d)1.b. and c., 289.645(4)(h)1.b. and c., and 289.67(f)1.b. and c.) in an amount equal to the weight of the residue generated by the facility or 30% of the total weight of material accepted by the facility, whichever is less. Residues that exceed the 30% cap should be reported as Category 25 or Category 1 waste. (C&D effective January 1, 2015; Combustor effective July 10, 2021)
- Category 32:** Waste exempted from all fees: waste generated by a Wisconsin state-funded project or waste generated from a licensed landfill and re-disposed of in a licensed landfill where tonnage fees were levied at the time of original disposal. Written authorization from DNR required prior to use of Category 32.
- Category 33:** Soils and dredged sediments not mixed with other wastes and not included in other categories. (Effective July 1, 2022, under ss. 289.63 (6)(e), 289.64 (4)(e), 289.645 (4)(i), and 289.67 (1)(fp), Wis. Stats.)