

NEW DRYWALL RECYCLING

NEW DRYWALL is accepted for recycling at the Vancouver South Transfer Station and Vancouver Landfill.

NEW DRYWALL includes unfinished drywall without tape, mud, paint or texture coating that is cut from new construction which has never been installed. It may also be known as ‘new cut offs’.

Each load of NEW DRYWALL must be:

- a. Accompanied by a signed Declaration and Acknowledgment Form available at the Transfer Station or Landfill Weighscales, or online at vancouver.ca; and,
- b. Easily accessible for inspection by City Staff prior to off-loading.

Acceptable quantities and disposal rates for NEW DRYWALL are as follows:

NEW DRYWALL	Vancouver South Transfer Station	Vancouver Landfill
<i>Limit per customer</i>	½ sheet (or 4'x4')	Level pick-up truck load
<i>Rate</i>	\$10 flat fee (transaction fee included)	\$200 per tonne plus \$5 transaction fee, \$15 minimum fee (transaction fee included)

USED RESIDENTIAL DRYWALL DISPOSAL (LANDFILL ONLY)

Used drywall installed before 1990 may contain or be contaminated with asbestos in the tape and/or mud. It should not be disturbed or removed without protective equipment. Search the internet for [‘Asbestos awareness for homeowners’](#) for information on how to identify and prevent exposure to asbestos.

USED RESIDENTIAL DRYWALL is accepted for disposal from residents at the Vancouver Landfill. Used drywall from contractors and businesses is not accepted.

USED RESIDENTIAL DRYWALL includes any used drywall (including pre 1990 drywall). It does not need to be date stamped or accompanied by test results to be accepted. It can contain asbestos.

Each load of USED RESIDENTIAL DRYWALL must be:

- a. **Delivered by the homeowner to the Landfill in a non-commercial vehicle.** Each customer will be asked to show their driver’s license, so the source/address of the drywall can be recorded.
- b. **Double-bagged and sealed in 6 mil plastic (poly) bags** *(a mil is a thousandth of an inch)*

Each bag must be individually sealed (use instructions on next page), and the outer bag labelled ‘Drywall’. Labels are available at the Landfill Weigh Scales.

Please note the following for selecting bags:

- 6 mil bags are available at the retailers listed on the next page. The bags can be black or yellow, and can be pre-labelled for asbestos or hazardous waste.
- Designated Used Gypsum Bags (clear, pre-labelled bags) are also accepted. See [Metro Vancouver’s Used Gypsum \(Drywall\) Pilot Program Instructional Brochure](#) for retailers.
- 3 mil heavy duty contractor clean-up bags and 7 mil woven contractor bags are NOT acceptable. They do not meet legal requirements.

INSTRUCTIONS for sealing each bag are as follows:

1. Twist the unused top portion of the bag into a tail. Seal the base of the tail with duct tape.
2. Take the leftover twisted tail section of the bag and bend it around to make a loop. Attach it to the base of the tail using duct tape.
3. Place the first bag in the second bag, and repeat steps 1 and 2.

Acceptable quantities and disposal rates for USED RESIDENTIAL DRYWALL are as follows:

USED DRYWALL	Vancouver South Transfer Station	Vancouver Landfill
<i>Limit per resident</i>	NOT ACCEPTED	10 bags per day, 5 times per year
<i>Rate</i>		\$200 per tonne plus \$5 transaction fee, \$15 minimum fee (transaction fee included)

If a resident has a load containing new drywall and double-bagged used drywall, each type of drywall will have to be weighed and dropped off separately for tracking purposes.

Retailers of 6 mil bags

Individual 6 mil plastic (poly) bags are available from the following retailers:

- [Dunbar Lumber Supply](#) - 4989 Bridge St, Delta, 604.946.7322
- [Home Hardware Building Centre Tsawwassen](#) - 1140 56th Street, Delta, 604.943.0141
- [Rona Home Centre Edmonds Burnaby](#) - 7260 Edmonds Street, Burnaby, 604.524.9771
- [Rona Home Centre Fleetwood Surrey](#) - 16659 Fraser Highway, Surrey, 604.576.2955
- [Rona Home Centre Newton](#) - 6965 King George Blvd., Surrey, 604.591.5050

6 mil plastic (poly) bags are available in bulk from the following retailers:

- [Hazmasters](#) - 3103 Thunderbird Crescent, Burnaby, 604.420.0025
- [Northern Building Supply Ltd](#) - 1640 East Kent Ave, Vancouver, 604.321.6141
- [Safety Express](#) - 100-3171 NO. 6 RD, Richmond, 604.244.8005

Ask for 'Hazardous Waste Bags'. It is suggested to call retailers in advance to confirm 6 mil bags are available.

OTHER DRYWALL MANAGEMENT OPTIONS

A Gypsum Pilot Program for used residential drywall is also in place at the Langley and Maple Ridge Transfer Stations owned by Metro Vancouver. Designated Used Gypsum Bags are required. Search the internet for '[Gypsum Pilot Program Instructional - Metro Vancouver](#)' for more information and a list of retailers for the Designated Used Gypsum Bags.

Visit [Metro Vancouver Recycles](#) and search 'Gypsum / Drywall' or call the RCBC Recycling Hotline (604.732.9253) for a list of other facilities and private haulers that may accept used drywall. [Metro Vancouver Recycles](#) also includes listings for 'Asbestos Testing' and 'Asbestos Drywall'.

ALL DRYWALL is prohibited from disposal as garbage in Metro Vancouver.

The City of Vancouver does not endorse any companies listed or attempt to provide lists of all service providers, and reserves the right to change this policy at any time without notification.