

Litter Clean Up Incentive Program Guidelines

Groups will be paid \$100.00 per km of road cleaned. A minimum of 1 km must be cleaned on both sides, up to 5 kms. Clean ups of more than 5 kms will be considered depending upon how many groups participate during the year. The Municipal Joint Services Board (MJSB) will consult with groups about which roads are priority for clean up.

Getting Started

1. **Fill out a Litter Clean Up Incentive Program Application Form**, receive approval from the MJSB. Forms are on-line at www.communityrecycling.ca or by calling (902) 543-2991.
2. **Apply for a Litter Clean Up Permit for Provincial road clean ups.** Contact Nova Scotia Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal, online at tir-occ@novascotia.ca or by calling 1-844-696-7737. **Provide a copy of the Permit before the clean up** by email at recycle@lrcrc.ca or fax at (902) 530-5189
3. **Provide Proof of Insurance for your group in the amount of \$1,000,000.**
4. **Arrange a Safety Orientation before your clean up by calling (902) 543-2991.** Groups will be supplied with litter bags, gloves, safety vests and litter clean up signs.
5. **Every participant must sign and return a Waiver Form.** Waiver must be signed by a guardian if participant is under 18 years old.

Safety Guidelines

- Participants must wear safety gear including gloves and vests provided. Litter clean up signs must be posted at either end of the roadway where clean up takes place. Wear sturdy boots, pants and long-sleeved shirts.
- Groups must have a first aid kit, cell phone and drinking water during the clean up.
- **At least one Participant 18 years or older must supervise groups of no more than 4 Participants aged of 14-17.** Supervisors must stay with younger Participants at all times. Work in groups of at least two. Supervisors must know the quickest route to a hospital in case of injury.
- Park vehicles on side roads or in parking areas along the clean up route. Stick to the section of roadway selected. **100-Series highways are excluded from the program due to safety reasons.**
- Collect litter in the ditch or behind the ditch line, always facing traffic. Walk in single file along the road.
- Look for vehicles when placing filled bags along the road. Put bags in piles when possible, to make bag pick up faster.

- Do not wade into water to retrieve items, climb steep hills or walk along embankments.
- Put recyclables and garbage in separate bags. Groups may keep refundables (cans, bottles) for fundraising purposes. Groups will be required to report how many bags of each are collected on **Clean Up Checklist** form.
- **Mark the location of large items, illegally dumped waste, sharp items (needles), urine-filled bottles or hazardous wastes with flagging tape, note the location and report this when your clean up is finished. *Do not collect touch these items!***

After the Clean Up

- **Drop off litter bags, vests and safety signs at 908 Mullock Road, Whynot's Settlement.**
- **Drop off Clean Up Checklist at Community Recycling Centre, email to recycle@lrcrc.ca or fax to (902) 530-5189.**
- Check yourself for wood ticks.

The Municipal Joint Services Board thanks your group for everyone's hard work!