

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND
2024 Legislative Session

Bill No. CB-046-2024

Chapter No. _____

Proposed and Presented by Council Member Oriadha

Introduced by _____

Co-Sponsors _____

Date of Introduction _____

BILL

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Refuse Collection - Container Locks

3 For the purpose of providing that every approved commercially available type of container,
4 including dumpsters, shall have a lock to secure the trash and control any overflow before it is
5 properly dumped, pursuant to the terms of this Subdivision; and generally regarding refuse.

6 BY repealing and reenacting with amendments:

7 SUBTITLE 21. REFUSE.

8 Section 21-113,

9 The Prince George's County Code

10 (2023 Edition).

11 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED by the County Council of Prince George's County,
12 Maryland, that Section 21-113 of the Prince George's County Code be and the same is hereby
13 repealed and reenacted with the following amendments:

14 SUBTITLE 21. REFUSE.

15 DIVISION 1. REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL.

16 SUBDIVISION 1. REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL.

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18 **Sec. 21-113. Storage of refuse.**

19 (a) All persons shall keep their premises free from accumulations of improperly stored refuse.

20 (b) All garbage shall be stored in approved commercially available type containers with tight
21 fitting lids. Every approved commercially available type of container, including dumpsters, shall

1 have a lock to secure the trash and control any overflow before it is properly dumped, pursuant to
2 the terms of this Subdivision.

3 (c) The occupant of any premises shall be responsible for the sanitary condition of the premises
4 occupied by him. No person shall place, deposit, or allow refuse to be placed or deposited on his
5 premises, except as designated by the terms of this Division and in the regulations adopted pursuant
6 to this Division. If the property is occupied by other than the owner, the tenant shall be responsible
7 for the property assigned to him. The owner shall be responsible for the portions of the property
8 not leased to the tenant and under his control.

9 (d) The following requirements apply to curbside collection of trash and recyclable materials:

10 (1) Trash and recycling containers may be put at the curb for collection after 6:00 p.m. the
11 day prior to the scheduled collection and must be removed from the curb the day of the scheduled
12 collection.

13 (2) Trash must be placed in a metal or tough plastic container with handles and a tight-fitting
14 lid, with a maximum weight of 60 lbs.

15 (3) A maximum of one opaque plastic bag not within a trash container that can be picked up
16 and carried without tearing and securely tied at the top to prevent spillage may be used per
17 residence per collection.

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19 SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that the provisions of this Act are hereby
20 declared to be severable; and, in the event that any section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph,
21 sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Act is declared invalid or unconstitutional by a court of
22 competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the remaining words,
23 phrases, clauses, sentences, subparagraphs, paragraphs, subsections, or sections of this Act, since
24 the same would have been enacted without the incorporation in this Act of any such invalid or
25 unconstitutional word, phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, subparagraph, subsection, or section.

26 SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that this Act shall take effect forty-five (45)
27 calendar days after it becomes law.

Adopted this _____ day of _____, 2024.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: _____
Jolene Ivey
Chair

ATTEST:

Donna J. Brown
Clerk of the Council

APPROVED:

DATE: _____ BY: _____
Angela D. Alsobrooks
County Executive

KEY:

- Underscoring indicates language added to existing law.
- [Brackets] indicate language deleted from existing law.
- Asterisks *** indicate intervening existing Code provisions that remain unchanged.

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