

# **GVS&DD TRUCKED LIQUID WASTE BYLAW NO. 345, 2021**

## **UNOFFICIAL CONSOLIDATION**

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- GVS&DD Trucked Liquid Waste Bylaw No. 345, 2021  
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- GVS&DD Trucked Liquid Waste Amendment Bylaw No. 352, 2022  
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- GVS&DD Trucked Liquid Waste Amendment Bylaw No. 360, 2022  
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- GVS&DD Trucked Liquid Waste Amendment Bylaw No. 386, 2025 – Effective March 1, 2025  
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As of March 1, 2025

**ORIGINAL BYLAWS CAN BE INSPECTED  
AT THE BOARD AND INFORMATION SERVICES DEPARTMENT  
AT THE METRO VANCOUVER HEAD OFFICE**

**GREATER VANCOUVER SEWERAGE AND DRAINAGE DISTRICT**  
**BYLAW NO. 345, 2021**  
**A Bylaw to Regulate the Discharge of Trucked Liquid Waste**

**WHEREAS:**

- A. The *Environmental Management Act, S.B.C. 2003, c. 53* of British Columbia and the *Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District Act, S.B.C. 1956, c. 59* authorize the Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District (the “*District*”) Board (the “*Board*”) to make bylaws respecting the direct or indirect discharge of *wastes* into any *sewer* or drain connected to a *sewage facility* operated by the *District*;
- B. The *Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District Act* authorizes the *District* to set fees payable by *persons* who discharge liquid *waste* into any work, service or plant of the *District* for conveying, disposing of, or treating liquid *waste*, and into any work, service, or plant connected thereto; and
- C. It is deemed desirable to regulate the discharge of *trucked liquid waste* into *sewers* or *sewage facilities*.

**NOW THEREFORE** the Board of the Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District enacts as follows:

**Citation**

1. The official citation of this bylaw is “Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District Trucked Liquid Waste Bylaw No. 345, 2021” (“*this Bylaw*”).

**Schedule**

2. The following Schedule is attached to and forms part of this *Bylaw*:  
Schedule “A”, **TRUCKED LIQUID WASTE DISCHARGE FEES.**

**Definitions**

3. For ease of reference, words that are italicized in this *Bylaw* are defined terms.

In this *Bylaw*:

“***chemical or portable toilet***” means a container that collects and contains human excreta and to which chemicals for minimizing odours may be added;

“***designated***” means designated by the *District* or by an authorized employee or representative of the *District*;

Replaced by Bylaw 352, 2022

**“discharge, or allow or cause to be discharged, directly or indirectly”** includes but is not limited to, a discharge by a *generator* indirectly discharging *trucked liquid waste* utilizing the services of a *hauler* to discharge the *trucked liquid waste* into the *sewage facility*;

**“discharge fee”** means a fee set out in Schedule A and payable by a *hauler* for the authorized discharge of *trucked liquid waste* into a *sewage facility*;

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**“domestic trucked liquid waste”** means any *domestic waste* that is not discharged directly into a *sewer* or *sewage facility* and is transported by a *hauler* to a *sewage facility* for discharge and includes *domestic waste* from a *holding tank*, *septic tank*, *pit toilet*, *chemical* or *portable toilet*, or *wastewater* conveyance lines or structures but excludes *recreational vehicle waste* and *sludge*;

**“generator”** means a *person* who produces, creates or owns *waste* that is collected in a *trucked liquid waste hauling truck*;

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**“hauler”** means a *person* who transports *waste* from a *generator* to a *sewer* or *sewage facility* for discharge;

**“holding tank”** means a container that holds *wastewater* until the *wastewater* is removed for treatment or disposal;

Added by Bylaw 386, 2025 – Effective March 1, 2025

**“in-region generated waste”** means *trucked liquid waste* generated within the geographic area of the Metro Vancouver Regional District;

**“manifest”** means the documentation and information described in section 26 that a *hauler* must submit to the *District* prior to the discharge of any *trucked liquid waste* into a *sewage facility*;

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**“non-domestic trucked liquid waste”** means any *liquid waste*, except *domestic trucked liquid waste*, that is not discharged directly into a *sewer* or *sewage facility* and is transported by a *hauler* to a *sewer* or *sewage facility* for discharge;

Replaced by Bylaw 360, 2022

**“out-of-region discharge number”** means the number that, effective June 1, 2022, an *out-of-region generator* must first obtain prior to a discharge of *trucked liquid waste* to a *sewage facility*, as provided in sections 12, 13, 13.1, and 13.2;

Added by Bylaw 386, 2025 – Effective March 1, 2025

**“out-of-region generated waste”** means *trucked liquid waste* generated outside of the geographic area of the Metro Vancouver Regional District;

**“out-of-region generator”** means a *generator* that is located outside the geographic area of the Metro Vancouver Regional District;

**“pit toilet”** means any container or pit that is for the purpose of collecting human excreta and that may or may not use chemicals to help the *waste* decompose, and includes an outhouse or a privy;

**“recreational vehicle waste”** means *recreational vehicle waste* as defined in the *Sani-dump Bylaw*;

**“Sani-dump Bylaw”** means *Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District Sani-dump Bylaw No. 346, 2021*;

**“septic tank”** means a container for receiving, treating and settling *wastewater*;

Revised by Bylaw 352, 2022

**“Sewer Use Bylaw”** means *Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District Sewer Use Bylaw No. 299, 2007*;

**“sludge”** means any material removed from *wastewater* during primary, secondary, or advanced *wastewater* treatment and that may or may not have undergone a process to reduce pathogens or vector attraction but excludes material removed from *wastewater* at a *District-owned sewage facility*;

**“trucked liquid waste”** means *domestic trucked liquid waste* and *non-domestic trucked liquid waste*, but excludes *recreational vehicle waste*;

**“trucked liquid waste authorization”** means a *trucked liquid waste authorization* issued by a *Sewage Control Manager* under Part 3 of this *Bylaw*; and,

**“trucked liquid waste hauling truck”** means any vehicle that collects *trucked liquid waste* for the purposes of transporting and discharging that *trucked liquid waste* to a *sewage facility*.

4. Terms that are italicized but not defined in this *Bylaw* have the same meaning given to those terms in the *Sewer Use Bylaw* or incorporated by reference into the *Sewer Use Bylaw*.
5. References in this *Bylaw* to an enactment, including the *Sewer Use Bylaw*, include the enactment as it may be amended or replaced from time to time.

### Part 1 – Application

6. Every *person* who *discharges, or allows or causes to be discharged, directly or indirectly, trucked liquid waste* into a *sewer* or *sewage facility* must comply with this *Bylaw* and the *Sewer Use Bylaw*.

## Part 2 – Restrictions

7. No person shall *discharge, or allow or cause to be discharged, directly or indirectly, trucked liquid waste* into a sewer or sewage facility except at a sewage facility that is *designated* for the purposes of receiving *trucked liquid waste* and in compliance with the requirements of this Part.

*Added by Bylaw 352, 2022*

- 7.1 Subject to section 12, no person shall *discharge, or allow or cause to be discharged, directly or indirectly, any non-domestic trucked liquid waste* into a sewage facility unless:
  - (a) a *trucked liquid waste authorization* has been issued in respect of the discharge, and the person is in compliance with the terms and conditions of such *trucked liquid waste authorization*, as applicable; or
  - (b) it is *non-domestic trucked liquid waste* collected from a *food sector establishment* regulated by the *Grease Interceptor Bylaw*.
8. A hauler shall not *discharge, or allow or cause to be discharged, directly or indirectly, trucked liquid waste* into a sewer or sewage facility, unless the hauler has been granted credit under Part 6, the credit privileges have not been suspended or cancelled by the District, and the hauler complies with the requirements of this Part.
9. Subject to section 12, a hauler shall not *discharge, or allow or cause to be discharged, directly or indirectly, domestic trucked liquid waste* into a sewage facility unless:
  - (a) the discharge is into a *sewage facility designated* for receiving *domestic trucked liquid waste*; and
  - (b) prior to the discharge, the hauler submits a *manifest* in compliance with Part 5.
10. Subject to section 12, a hauler shall not *discharge, or allow or cause to be discharged, directly or indirectly, non-domestic trucked liquid waste* into a sewage facility unless:
  - (a) the discharge is into a *sewage facility designated* for receiving *non-domestic trucked liquid waste*;
  - (b) prior to the discharge, the hauler submits a *manifest* in compliance with Part 5; and
  - (c) the discharge is:
    - i. *non-domestic trucked liquid waste* collected from a *food sector establishment* regulated by the *Grease Interceptor Bylaw*; or
    - ii. *non-domestic trucked liquid waste* collected from a *generator*, and the discharge is in accordance with the terms and conditions of a *trucked liquid waste authorization* in respect of the discharge.

11. Sections 7, 8, 9 and 10 do not apply to the *District* or an agent *hauler* of the *District* where waste removed from a *sewer* due to *District* maintenance or operations activities is discharged into a *sewer* at another location.

*Replaced by Bylaw 352, 2022*

12. After June 1, 2022, in addition to other applicable requirements of this Part, no *person* shall *discharge, or allow or cause to be discharged, directly or indirectly* into a *sewage facility*, any *trucked liquid waste* originating from or collected from an *out-of-region generator*, unless an *out-of-region discharge number* valid for a stipulated period has first been obtained in respect of the discharge of the *trucked liquid waste*.

*Replaced by Bylaw 360, 2022*

13. No *out-of-region generator* may receive an *out-of-region discharge number* from the *District* unless:
  - (a) *District* staff have determined a period of time the *trucked liquid waste* is unlikely to have any significant detrimental effect on the operation of the *District's sewage facilities*;
  - (b) the *out-of-region discharge number's* period of validity does not exceed the period of time determined under section 13 (a), and in no case exceeds a maximum period of 5 years; and
  - (c) the region from which the waste originates does not provide a viable option for disposal for the waste, as determined by *District* staff upon reasonable inquiry.

*Added by Bylaw 360, 2022*

- 13.1 A valid *out-of-region discharge number* may be suspended or revoked in the event that *District* staff determine that:
  - (a) the *trucked liquid waste* has a significant detrimental effect on the operation of the *District's sewage facilities*; or
  - (b) the region from which the waste originates has a viable option for disposal for the waste, as determined by *District* staff upon reasonable inquiry.

*Added by Bylaw 360, 2022*

- 13.2 *Out-of-region discharge numbers* issued prior to October 28, 2022 will remain valid for the period stipulated by the *Board*.
14. No *person* shall *discharge, or allow or cause to be discharged, directly or indirectly*, into a *sewage facility* *trucked liquid waste* from a *trucked liquid waste hauling truck* if it contains a mixture of *domestic trucked liquid waste* and *non-domestic trucked liquid waste*.
15. A *hauler* shall not *discharge, or allow or cause to be discharged, directly or indirectly* into a *sewage facility*, any substance, *contaminant* or *trucked liquid waste* other than the substance, *contaminant* or *trucked liquid waste* that is described or referenced in the *manifest* in respect of that discharge.

### Part 3 –Trucked Liquid Waste Authorizations

16. Subject to section 22, a *Sewage Control Manager* may issue a *trucked liquid waste authorization* to allow the discharge, directly or indirectly, into a *sewage facility* of *non-domestic trucked liquid waste*, upon such terms and conditions as the *Sewage Control Manager* considers appropriate and, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, may in the *trucked liquid waste authorization*:
  - (a) place limits and restrictions on the quantity, composition, frequency and nature of the *trucked liquid waste* authorized to be discharged;
  - (b) require a *generator*, authorized under a *trucked liquid waste authorization* to monitor, in the way specified by the *Sewage Control Manager*, the *trucked liquid waste* being discharged under the *trucked liquid waste authorization* and to keep records and provide information to the *Sewage Control Manager* concerning the discharge and associated *waste sources*, treatment works and measures;
  - (c) require a *generator*, authorized under a *trucked liquid waste authorization* to identify by name which *hauler* will transport the *trucked liquid waste* to the *sewage facility*;
  - (d) specify at which *sewage facility* the *trucked liquid waste* must be discharged to comply with the *trucked liquid waste authorization*; and
  - (e) provide that the *trucked liquid waste authorization* will expire on a specified date, or upon the occurrence of a specified event.
17. A *Sewage Control Manager* may, upon application from the holder of a *trucked liquid waste authorization*, or upon a *Sewage Control Manager's* own initiative, amend the terms and conditions of a *trucked liquid waste authorization*.
18. A *Sewage Control Manager* may, by *order*, require any *person* who discharges *non-domestic trucked liquid waste* directly or indirectly into a *sewer* or *sewage facility* to apply for a *trucked liquid waste authorization*.
19. Application for a *trucked liquid waste authorization* shall be made to a *Sewage Control Manager* on such forms as a *Sewage Control Manager* may prescribe from time to time and shall be accompanied by such information, drawings and specifications as a *Sewage Control Manager* may from time to time prescribe.
20. Without limiting any other provision of this *Bylaw*, a *Sewage Control Manager* may amend, suspend or revoke any *trucked liquid waste authorization* for any purpose stated in section 1 of the *Sewer Use Bylaw*.
21. A *trucked liquid waste authorization* may not be transferred or assigned without a *Sewage Control Manager's* consent in writing.

Replaced by Bylaw 306, 2022

22. Effective June 1, 2022 a *Sewage Control Manager* may not issue a *trucked liquid waste authorization* in respect of a discharge of *non-domestic trucked liquid waste* originating from an *out-of-region generator* unless the *out-of-region generator* has first obtained an *out-of-region discharge number* in accordance with sections 12, 13, 13.1, and 13.2.
23. The *Board* may from time to time establish fees to be charged for the application for and administration of a *trucked liquid waste authorization*.

#### **Part 4 – Discharge Monitoring**

24. A *Sewage Control Manager* may require any *generator* who has applied for a *trucked liquid waste authorization* to, at that person's expense, sample and analyze the proposed discharge of *trucked liquid waste* in a manner satisfactory to the *Sewage Control Manager* and to provide the results of such sampling to the *Sewage Control Manager*.
25. A *District* employee or representative may collect a sample of *trucked liquid waste* from any *trucked liquid waste hauling truck* discharging *trucked liquid waste* into a *sewage facility* or accessing a *sewage facility* for that purpose.

#### **Part 5 – Manifest Requirements**

26. Every *hauler* who discharges, or allows or causes the discharge of *trucked liquid waste* into a *sewage facility* shall, prior to commencing every such discharge of *trucked liquid waste*, submit a *manifest* to the *District* that:
  - a) is in a form approved by the *District*;
  - b) is accurately completed;
  - c) is signed by the *hauler* or *hauler driver* discharging the *trucked liquid waste*;
  - d) is deposited in an approved location at the time of discharge; and,
  - e) contains the following information:
    - (i) whether the discharge is *domestic trucked liquid waste* or *non-domestic trucked liquid waste*;
    - (ii) whether the discharge originates from an *out-of-region generator*;
    - (iii) *hauler* name, address, contact information;
    - (iv) *hauler driver* name;
    - (v) *trucked liquid waste hauling truck* license plate number;
    - (vi) date and time of discharge;
    - (vii) *generator* name, address, contact information for every *generator* contributing to a single discharge from a *trucked liquid waste hauling truck*;
    - (viii) type of waste from each *generator*;



- (ix) the volume or quantity of the waste from each *generator*;
- (x) the *trucked liquid waste authorization number* for the discharge, if a *trucked liquid waste authorization* is required for the discharge under Part 2; and
- (xi) effective June 1, 2022, the *out-of-region discharge number* for the discharge, if the discharge originated from an *out-of-region generator*.

#### **Part 6 – Discharge Fees**

- 27. Every *hauler* who discharges, or allows or causes the discharge of *trucked liquid waste* into a *sewage facility* shall pay to the *District discharge fees* set out in Schedule A of this *Bylaw*, by the date specified in an invoice issued by the *District*.
- 28. Any *hauler* required to pay *discharge fees* must apply to the *District* for credit and if the Treasurer of the *District* or the Treasurer's designate is satisfied of the credit worthiness of the *hauler*, then the Treasurer of the *District* or designate may grant credit to that *hauler*, in which case payment of the *discharge fees* shall be made and the credit extended on the following conditions:
  - (a) the *District* will invoice the *discharge fees* on a monthly basis and the *hauler* receiving credit shall pay the *District* within 30 days of the invoice date;
  - (b) the Treasurer of the *District* or the Treasurer's designate may suspend the credit privileges of any *hauler* having an unpaid past due balance.
- 29. Any *discharge fees* not paid within 30 days of the invoice date will be subject to a monthly interest charge of 1.25% per month (15% per annum).
- 30. If a *hauler* fails to pay the *discharge fees* required under this *Bylaw* within 30 days of the due date of the invoice, then the *hauler* shall not *discharge, or allow or cause to be discharged, directly or indirectly, any trucked liquid waste* into a *sewage facility* until the *hauler* has fully paid the *discharge fees* and the *District* has advised the *hauler* that credit under section 28 has been restored.
- 31. The remedies for non-payment of *discharge fees* provided in this *Bylaw* are in addition to any other remedies available to the *District*.

#### **Part 7 – Powers and Offences**

- 32. A *person* who provides false or misleading information in a *manifest, trucked liquid waste authorization* application, credit application or other submission of information to the *District*, or to an *officer* or the *Sewage Control Manager* in response to a request for additional information, commits an offence.
- 33. Any *person* who contravenes any provision of this *Bylaw* or a *trucked liquid waste authorization* commits an offence and is liable to a fine not exceeding \$10,000.

34. If an offence under this *Bylaw* continues for more than one day, separate fines, each not exceeding \$10,000, may be imposed for each day, or partial day, that the offence continues.

#### **Part 8 – General Conditions**

35. If any portion of this *Bylaw* is held to be *ultra vires*, illegal, invalid, or unenforceable in any way, in whole or in part, by a court or tribunal of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not invalidate or void the remainder of the *Bylaw*. The portion so held to be *ultra vires*, illegal, invalid, or unenforceable shall be deemed to be reduced in scope so as to be valid and enforceable, or in the alternative to have been stricken therefrom with the same force and effect as if such parts had never been included in this *Bylaw*.
36. Nothing in this *Bylaw* is intended to conflict with the *Environmental Management Act*. A conflict does not exist solely because further restrictions or conditions are imposed by this *Bylaw* or the *Sewer Use Bylaw*.
37. Words importing the singular number include the plural number and *vice versa*.

## Schedule A

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Replaced by Bylaw 386, 2025 – Effective March 1, 2025

### TRUCKED LIQUID WASTE DISCHARGE FEES

1. Effective March 1, 2025, the *discharge fee* applicable to a discharge of *trucked liquid waste* is calculated in accordance with the discharge fee rates set out in Table 1 for *in-region generated waste* and *out-of-region generated waste* respectively.

Table 1: Trucked Liquid Waste Discharge Fees (\$/m<sup>3</sup>)

| Discharge Fee Type   |  | Discharge Fee Rate (\$/m <sup>3</sup> ) |
|--|--|---|
| <i>in-region generated waste</i>   | <i>domestic trucked liquid waste</i>     | \$53                                    |
|  | <i>non-domestic trucked liquid waste</i> | \$96                                    |
| <i>out-of-region generated waste</i><br>(valid <i>out-of-region discharge number</i> required) | <i>domestic trucked liquid waste</i>     | \$69                                    |
|  | <i>non-domestic trucked liquid waste</i> | \$125                                   |