Multi-Family Recycling Ordinance

The City of Fort Lauderdale requires all apartments and condominiums to contract for on-site recycling containers and services. The City provides services for properties with three (3) units and less. Three units and more contract privately with a licensed City contractor.

Sec. 24-8. Recycling at multi-family residences.

- (a) The owner of each multifamily residence shall implement a recycling program and encourage the participation of each living unit in such multifamily residence.
- (b) The recycling program at each multifamily residence shall ensure that each living unit has access to a container or containers suitable for the collection of recyclables as defined in this chapter. The type and frequency of collection service, and the type, number, and size of containers, shall be determined by the director based on the requirements of the particular multifamily residence location. Frequency of collection shall be at least once a week unless specifically modified by the director. A contract with the city or a licensed private collector, or copies of receipts from a facility duly licensed for the disposal of recyclables, shall be evidence the recyclables are being collected in accordance with this section.
- (c) Each licensed private collector providing recyclable collection services to multifamily residences within the city shall report the total number of living units served for such multifamily residences and the total number of tons of recyclable materials collected (co-mingled and paper separately stated), and gross receipts from such collection services, as provided in section 24-66.
- (d) Each licensed private collector shall deliver all residential recyclables to the city designated facility in accordance with existing laws or interlocal agreements.
- (e) Failure to comply with any of the requirements of this section shall result in a fine as set forth in section 1-6 of the Code of Ordinances.

(Ord. No. C-95-36, § 1, 7-5-95; Ord. No. C-99-2, § 1, 1-20-99)

To learn more about multi-family recycling in Fort Lauderdale, visit the City of Fort Lauderdale website at www.fortlauderdale.gov/recycle, or contact the City's 24-Hour Service Center at (954) 828-8000.