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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO: DUMPSTER PERMIT HOLDERS**  
**FROM: CITY OF MEDFORD BOARD OF HEALTH**  
**RE: ORDINANCE 858: RODENT CONTROL**

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**Section 6 – 113: Permits for Dumpster**

1. All permits issued by the Health Department for dumpsters on residential and commercial property will be subject to a separate fee designated for rodent control. Such fees are to be set by the Medford City Council and reviewed every three (3) years. Dumpsters associated with building projects for which the building permit rodent control fee has been assessed are exempt from this additional fee.
2. In addition to the fee required above, dumpster permits will require the implementation of an Integrated Pest Management Plan as a condition of the permit. IPM plans must be submitted to the Health Department and updated annually before a permit is issued by the Health Department.
3. Responsibility for pest prevention and management remains with the permit holder, even when a commercial service is part of the permit holder's IPM program.

**SECTION 6 – 118: Content of Integrated Pest Management Plans**

4. Integrated Pest Management Plans required under this ordinance must include, at minimum:
  - Names and certifications of licensed pest control operators. An Initial survey by a licensed pest control operator documenting presence or absence of rodent activity, burrows, and sanitation conditions that could support rodent activity on the site and accessible public areas adjacent to the site.
  - Detailing about rodent control measures to be implemented on the site, including locations of traps and bait stations, types and amounts of pesticides used, scheduled for follow-up monitoring, cleanup of bait stations and rodent carcasses, staff training and notification procedures, and management of sources of food, water, and harborage on the site, including vegetation management.
  - Procedures for responding to rodent complaints associated with the site, including name and contact information for management-level individual to respond to complaints.

**Please be advised that there will be an annual fee of \$50.00 per dumpster. Submit the IPM Plan and fee with the dumpster permit application before April 30, 2023 (Payment: Checks Only) Failure to submit required information and fee you may be subject to a \$10.00 late fee per day.**