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Yard Waste/Roadside Vegetation Policy

I. Purpose:

A regulation establishing proper management of yard waste in Ramapo College of New Jersey to protect the environment, public health, safety and welfare, and to prescribe penalties for failure to comply.

II. Definitions:

For this regulation, the following terms, phrases, words, and their derivations shall have the meanings stated herein unless their use in the text of this Chapter clearly demonstrates a different meaning. When consistent with the context, words used in the present tense includes the future, words used in the plural number include the singular number, and words used in the singular number include the plural number. The word "shall" is always mandatory and not merely directory.

"Person" means any individual, corporation, company, partnership, firm, association, or political subdivision of this State that is subject to Ramapo College's jurisdiction.

"Street" means an improved or unimproved road in Ramapo College property which includes driving lanes, shoulders, gutters, curbs, sidewalks, and parking areas.

"Yard Waste" means loose leaves and grass clippings.

III. Regulated Activities:

- a) No person shall sweep, rake, blow, or otherwise place yard waste into the street unless it is for a scheduled collection.
- b) Placement of yard waste must be at least 10 feet away from any storm drain inlet and no sooner than 2 days prior to a scheduled collection.
- c) Placement of such yard waste on the street at any other time or in any other manner is a violation of this regulation. If such placement of yard waste occurs, the person responsible for placement of the yard waste shall be in violation of this regulation and must remove the yard waste immediately.

IV. Exemptions: None

I. Violations:

- a) Any College student who is found to be in violation of this regulation shall be subject to official warning, disciplinary probation, suspension, expulsion, or other sanctions in accordance with the College's Student Conduct Code.
- b) Any College officer, staff member, employee, or agent who is found to be in violation of this regulation shall be subject to dismissal, removal, reduction of salary, suspension, demotion, or other disciplinary action in accordance with applicable New Jersey statutes and relevant contracts or agreements.
- c) Any other person who has entered into a contract or agreement with the College to provide equipment, materials, supplies, or services on college property, and who is found to be in violation of this regulation, shall be subject to sanctions in accordance with the contract or agreement.
- d) Any visitor, guest, or other person who is not identified under V.a, V.b, or V.c above, and who continues to be in violation of this regulation, after being duly notified, is subject to being banned from college property by the Director of Public Safety or prosecution for criminal trespass under N.J.S.A. 2C:18-3.