

Ordinance Number Assigned: **1900-250**  
**TRASH AND GARBAGE CONTAINER ORDINANCE**

**4-371 Purpose**

The use of paper bags, cardboard cartons, and plastic bags for the temporary disposal of garbage and trash out of doors creates a health hazard, in that dogs, rodents, and other animals are thereby attracted. Such containers are then ripped open, the contents scattered and blown about, creating dangerous and unsanitary conditions.

**4-372 Prohibited Practice**

Paper bags, cardboard cartons, and plastic bags shall not be used for the out-of-door storage and temporary disposal of trash and garbage, unless the same are placed inside metal or solid plastic containers, with covers, reasonably sufficient to protect the contents from dogs, rodents, and other animals. This shall also apply to all trash and garbage placed at curbside for pick-up.

**4-373 Penalty**

Upon conviction, a violation of this ordinance shall result in the imposition of a fine of not in excess of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) for the first offense. Upon conviction of a second to subsequent offense, a fine of not more than Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) shall be imposed. All such fines shall be recovered for the use and benefit of the City of Calais. The Calais Police Department is further authorized to issue written warnings in the case of initial complaints and allow a reasonable time for compliance.

Adopted:  
Amended:  
Repealed: