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The invention relates to a method for controlling the discharge of refuse from a refuse chute (1) through a discharge valve (3) into a transport pipe (4) in a vacuum refuse collection system, communication between said refuse chute and transport pipe being established by opening said discharge valve (3) in accordance with a fixed or variable emptying cycle. According to the invention the existence of refuse piled up at a position upstream from the discharge valve (3) is detected and a refuse limitation valve (5) provided upstream from said position is operated in response to detecting the existence of refuse piled up at said position.

