

Spring has sprung (sort of) and we thought it would be a good time to review State law and District ordinance requirements specific to haulers. Because this list is not all-inclusive, we recommend you review our full [ordinance](#) for further information and/or give us a call with any questions. We encourage you to share the Newsletter with employees if you have them. It's a great way to keep them informed and as a commercial hauler, you are responsible for educating your employees as well as your customers.



Items Banned from Landfill Disposal

The following items are banned from disposal in Chittenden County:

- ⊗ **Liquids & Hazardous Wastes** – paints, stains, varnish & thinner; mercury containing devices (including fluorescent lamps); waste oil, oil filters and automotive fluids
- ⊗ **Dangerous Wastes** – explosives, fireworks, gasoline; syringes & lancets; pool chemicals; propane cylinders
- ⊗ **Mandatory Recyclables** (aka blue bin recyclables) – rigid plastic food and beverage containers; glass jars and bottles; aluminum and steel cans; cardboard, mixed paper, newspaper
- ⊗ **Electronics and Batteries** – computers and accessories, phones, TVs, lead-acid and rechargeable batteries
- ⊗ **Scrap metal**
- ⊗ **Tires**
- ⊗ **Clean wood** – tree limbs, untreated lumber
- ⊗ **Yard debris** – grass clippings, leaves etc.
- ⊗ **Large appliances** (aka white goods) – refrigerators, ranges, washers, dryers, dishwashers, freezers
- ⊗ **Construction & Demolition Waste** – asphalt shingles, clean plywood and OSB, untreated lumber and pallets, scrap metal, drywall (state requirement for large projects only).

Section 4.8I). The District is to be notified when loads are rejected and is available for further outreach or enforcement. Haulers with loads containing 10% or more (by volume) of the above materials or any amount of hazardous waste that dump the load at a transfer station will be charged a banned material fee of \$20 per ton (\$60 minimum). Multiple assessments of this fee may be considered unlawful conduct subject to further enforcement action by the District.

Licensing

A Hauler's License is required for any person who collects, transfers or transports solid waste generated or delivered within the District. **Licenses are valid for one year expiring on June 30th.** License application information is distributed by early May and is due to the District by mid-June for Board approval. In addition to the application form, proof of insurance, a valid State Waste Hauler's permit, and a fee of \$15/vehicle are required for an application to be considered complete.

Educating Employees and Customers

Our ordinance requires haulers to provide instructions to customers on the proper management of recyclables, special wastes, household hazardous waste, and food scraps. Similarly, employees and personnel must receive education and training necessary to safely and properly conduct activities under a license. Both employees and customers should receive instructions when service/employment begins and annually thereafter. More information can be found on our [resources](#) page.

We understand it is the generator's responsibility to properly separate these items; however, **it is the hauler's responsibility to educate customers and reject loads containing the above materials (CSWD SWMO**

Unit-Based Pricing (a.k.a. Pay As You Throw)

Effective July 1, 2015, haulers offering curbside pick-up were required to implement a unit-based pricing system. Under this system, customers are charged based on the volume or weight of landfill bound trash they produce. Haulers submit rate information to the District on an annual basis. The District reviews this information to insure rates provide a 'reasonable economic incentive' for generators to reduce the amount landfill-bound trash produced.

Labeling of Containers

All containers that you provide or have provided to your customers must meet the requirements listed in Section 4.8J of CSWD's Solid Waste Ordinance. Containers must include the appropriate Vermont universal symbol, the word 'RECYCLE' or 'TRASH' and a list of acceptable materials. You can obtain labels at no charge from CSWD by calling the Hotline at 872-8111 or [online](#).

No Trash Only Service – Parallel Collection Required

Commercial haulers are required to provide collection of mandatory recyclables **at least once monthly** to all trash customers. Haulers shall not offer, and customers shall not subscribe to trash only collection service unless recycling service is provided or subcontracted by the District or a member municipality or unless the customer has obtained an exemption from the District. Customers who directly market their mandatory recyclables, share services with another generator or self-haul their recyclables **may be eligible for an exemption**. The District will be working with haulers in 2019 to identify these customers. Haulers will be asked to provide a completed exemption form from the generator or proof of recycling service if the current service is deficient. In instances where the hauler is unable to provide either of these, the District will work directly with the generator to ensure recycling service is in place. We recommend haulers collect recycling at least as often as trash is picked up and in a recycling container that is at least as large as the trash container provided.



Separate Collection

We still receive complaints from customers who observe their haulers collecting both trash and recycling in one truck. We understand that many of you have separate compartments for collection and are collecting both at the same time but not actually

mixing them. However, we have had instances in the past year where drivers were in fact, throwing prepared recyclables in with trash for disposal. This is a violation of our Ordinance. Sorting on the tipping floor is not okay. It's both an efficiency and health and safety concern.

Material Recovery Facility (MRF) Quality Control Policy

In an effort to maximize operational efficiency and reduce the risk of accidents, loads at the MRF may not contain greater than 2% by volume of non-mandatory recyclable materials including household trash or other special recyclables identified above. Haulers of contaminated MRF loads will be assessed a \$25/ton contamination fee and may be subject to other handling fees for pulling and disposing of material.

Secure Loads

Commercial haulers generally practice this requirement consistently while self-haulers are often less thorough. Many of you interact with self-haulers on a daily basis and we're asking you to help us spread the word.

Remember, accidents are not only caused by debris directly hitting vehicles but may also be the result of vehicles swerving to miss debris in the road. Let's not wait for an accident to occur. Securing your load is the law.



Spotlight on Safety YIELD TO FACILITY EQUIPMENT AS THEY MAY NOT SEE YOU!

This is important year-round but as spring arrives and we start seeing more yard debris and cleanout material in general, keep this in mind. Green Mountain Compost can be especially challenging given the mountains of material being dealt with. Know the traffic patterns as you're tipping your load, take your time, and defer to the equipment operating at the facility, they will be doing the same for you.

Have an idea for a topic, a story you'd like to share, or a question?

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