

Landfill Policy Manual

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INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this manual is to inform customers of the landfill policies and other information pertaining to the landfill.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The City's Greater El Paso Landfill is located approximately 26 miles east of downtown El Paso. Take I-10 East to exit 42 (Clint/San Elizario). Turn left onto the Overpass/Darrington Road. The landfill entrance is located approximately 500 feet north of I-10 on the right side.

The landfill is open from Monday – Saturday, 7 AM – 4 PM. The landfill will be closed for certain Holidays such as New Years Day, Martin Luther King Day, Memorial Day, Labor Day, Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas Day.

SAFETY POLICIES

Smoking

Smoking is prohibited at the landfill. Smoking is also prohibited in any public buildings owned and occupied by the City and in all City vehicles. All other drivers should extinguish any smoking materials upon entering the site. Drivers should always use the vehicle ashtray and never throw hot embers from smoking materials out the window of the vehicle.

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

The following minimum PPE is required for all permitted Haulers, contractors and vendors using the landfill.

- High-visibility vest or outer wear (preferably high visibility yellow/chartreuse with reflective tape)

The following minimum PPE is recommended for all permitted Haulers, especially when exiting the vehicle at the dumping area.

- Safety Boots (Leather upper, steel-toe/shank boots recommended)
- Safety glasses with side shield
- Leather gloves
- Dust mask (as needed)

Traffic Safety

All vehicles at the landfill must comply with the posted speed limit, 15 MPH and all other traffic signs. Passing of other vehicles is prohibited.

Working Face Safety

Drivers must follow the directions of the parking attendant at the disposal area. Do not proceed to the working face until the parking attendant directs you to an area to dump. It is the driver's responsibility to assume a safe and level dumping position at the working face. Do not raise the body of a collection vehicle that is tilting to one side or another. The driver should maintain a minimum separation of 10 feet between themselves and other trucks. Tractor-Trailers present additional hazards when dumping and require additional spacing.

Pets and children must remain in the vehicle at all times.

Public Drop-off Area

All residential customers are required to use the Public Drop-off Area to dispose of their waste. Only permitted haulers will be directed to the working face disposal area.

Cellphone Use

The use of cellphones is prohibited while driving at the landfill. Drivers are encouraged to end cellphone calls upon entering the landfill and to pull over to answer or make calls, as necessary.

Weather Hazards

High winds can create several hazards at the landfill. Trash and/or large pieces of debris or other materials can become airborne. High winds will also create dusty conditions and reduce visibility. Trucks may be at increased risk for roll-over when dumping during high winds. Drivers should use extra caution during high winds and the use of personal protective equipment including dust masks is recommended. During extreme high winds, it may become necessary to close the landfill.

Wet weather can also reduce visibility; create slippery surfaces and muddy roads and disposal area. Drivers must be extra cautious in wet weather and ensure a stable surface prior to dumping.

Alcohol/Drugs/Firearms

For the safety of our employees and customers, alcohol, drugs and firearms are prohibited at all times on the landfill property.

GENERAL LANDFILL POLICIES

Secure your Load

All vehicles arriving at the landfill must have secured their loads. Failure to secure or cover your load will result in an additional fee of \$5. If needed, drivers may use the designated tarp removal area to untarp their load prior to disposal.

Vehicle Clean-out

The landfill maintains designated clean-out areas at the landfill. The parking attendant will direct you to the designated clean-out area, if needed.

Scavenging or Salvaging

The practice of scavenging or salvaging is prohibited at the landfill.

Scales Protocol

Approach and exit the scales slowly. Do not approach and get on scales until traffic signal light is green and until the other vehicle has exited. Ensure your front wheels are not on scale while another vehicle is being weighed. Do not exit scales until cashier has signaled you to go.

Disposal of Prohibited Items and Waste Screening

Prohibited waste shall not be intentionally or knowingly disposed of at the landfill. If prohibited waste is identified by landfill personnel, the transporter will be responsible for removing such waste and/or the cost of proper disposal. All loads are subject to random screening for prohibited or unauthorized waste in accordance with the landfill permit. Additional fees may be applied if a customer knowingly attempts to dispose of prohibited waste at the landfill.

As a courtesy to our customers, the landfill will accept certain prohibited waste for recycling including: auto batteries, used oil filters, antifreeze and motor oil (5 gallons or less). These wastes must be identified for recycling and be limited in quantity typical to no more than what would be generated by a household. The automotive waste is collected at the Public Drop-off Area.

Diversion of Recyclable Materials

The landfill maintains a diversion area for recyclable materials, which includes scrap metal, used electronics, and other recyclables (paper, plastics, cardboard). To the extent practical customers are encouraged to separate and divert these materials for recycling rather than disposal. There is currently no charge for clean and separated recyclable materials at the landfill. The recyclable materials are collected at the Public Drop-off area. Clean brush may also be diverted at a reduced rate.

Enforcement

All customers subject to a Hauler Permit are required to comply with the landfill policies in accordance with the requirements of the Hauler Permit. Violations of the Hauler Permit will be addressed in accordance with City Ordinance Chapter 9.04.470. All others who knowingly violate landfill policy may be prohibited from future use of the landfill at the discretion of the Director of Environmental Services.

WASTE ACCEPTANCE POLICIES

The landfill is permitted to accept Municipal Solid Waste, including construction and demolition debris, and Class 2 and 3 Industrial Waste. The landfill may also accept certain special waste upon prior approval from the City. Certain special waste may also require prior written approval from TCEQ by submitting a special waste authorization form, TCEQ-0152. Examples of typical special waste include:

- Contaminated soil – TCEQ approval required
- Incinerator ash – TCEQ approval required
- Treated railroad ties or utility poles – TCEQ approval required
- Expired/spoiled food or any food waste requiring Department of Health verification.
- Treated medical waste
- Dead animal or slaughterhouse waste
- Non-Regulated Asbestos Containing Material
- Empty Containers used for Pesticides, Herbicides, Fungicides or Rodenticides
- Sludge – paint filter test required
- Foam materials
- Auto Shredder Residue – TCEQ approval required

The following wastes are prohibited from disposal in the landfill:

- Industrial Class I (solid waste resulting from or incidental to any process of industry, manufacturing, mining or agricultural operations that because of its concentration, or physical or chemical characteristics is classified as Class I in accordance with 30 TAC 335.505).
- Medical Waste
- Polychlorinated Biphenyls
- Lead Acid Batteries – can be accepted from customers at the Public Drop-off Area
- Motor vehicle oil & used oil filters – can be accepted from residential customers at the Public Drop-off area
- Liquid Waste (any waste determined to contain “free liquids” by Paint Filter Test)
- Regulated Hazardous Waste
- Radioactive Materials
- Regulated Asbestos Containing Materials
- Whole used or scrap tires – must be identified to cashier for alternative disposal at the landfill.
- Items containing chlorinated fluorocarbons (CFCs), such as refrigerators, freezer, and air conditioners – must be identified to cashier for recovery and recycling.

LANDFILL FEES

Fees:

- \$26/ton, with a minimum charge of \$16
- \$90/ton for all waste requiring special handling, including but not limited to non-RACM (non-friable asbestos containing material), foam materials, sponge or sponge-like materials, and other Special Waste.
- Brush Waste, uncontaminated and diverted at Public Drop-off Area
\$26/ton, with a minimum charge of \$10
- Waste Tires
\$3.00 for each tire with a diameter 19.5 inches or less (small or medium tires)
\$10.00 for each tire with a diameter 19.5 – 24 inches (large tires)
\$5.00 for rim removal for each small or medium tire
\$15.00 for rim removal for each large tire
\$200/ton for each tire with a diameter greater than 24 inches (equipment or truck tires)
- Dead Animals
\$26/ton, with a minimum charge of \$16 (if total weight is less than 100-lbs)
\$90/ton, with a minimum charge of \$90 (if total weight is 100-lbs or greater)
- Refrigerant Removal, \$5/unit
- Unsecured load - \$5
- Hauler's Permit
\$150.00 for each vehicle (or \$12.50 per month if less than 1 full year)
\$10.00 per replacement decal
- Special Disposal Fee charges are as follows:
\$25.00 for scheduled disposal, plus per ton landfill disposal charge.
\$35.00 for unscheduled disposal, plus double the regular per ton landfill disposal charge.
- Prohibited Waste Fee
\$25 plus disposal costs
- Safety Vest - \$10
- RFID tag - \$25 each (upon approval from landfill)
- Mulch
Free – residential and commercial customers
\$15/cubic yard – if delivered within city limits or landfill vicinity (minimum order of 25-30 cubic yards)
- Mattresses and box springs
\$10.00 for each twin size mattress or box spring
\$15.00 for each full size mattress or box spring
\$20.00 for each queen size mattress or box spring
\$25.00 for each king size mattress or box spring

Note: To set up an account or for account information call (915) 212-6233.