



Dumpster Maintenance

Is your dumpster or compactor creating pollution?

Protect our streams and rivers and comply with local code by following these simple maintenance tips:

Cover

- Keep dumpsters and compactors under cover to keep rain out.

Close

- Train employees to close dumpster lids after every use.
- Fix broken or damaged lids.
- Secure lids, when possible, to prevent wildlife foraging.
- Secure lids in windy areas to prevent them from blowing open.
- Don't overfill dumpsters and make sure lids can close.
- Don't prop lid open.

Clean

- Do not wash.
- Use a broom to sweep litter into trash receptacles.
- Keep dumpsters away from storm drains.
- Inspect dumpsters regularly to ensure they are clean and don't leak.
- Post signs to remind employees of proper use.
- Keep liquid waste out.

Contain

- Fix leaks and use a spill kit to clean spills immediately.
- Train employees to prevent spills and litter around dumpsters.



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