



Recycling Requirement at Construction Sites

“Cal Green” Codes Require Recycling at Construction Sites

Beginning January 1, 2017, new “Cal Green” Building Codes requires all structures to recycle 65% of the waste generated by construction and demo. In addition, San Luis Obispo Green Building Ordinance requires you to recycle 75% of the waste from all projects. Waste includes anything you discard from the site, such as wood scraps, cardboard, flashing, paint or other finishing products, tools, drywall, concrete, asphalt, plastic bags, remnants of insulation, etc. There are companies (some are listed here) that can recycle for you, or you can do it yourself.

Two Choices

Before you receive a County permit you must tell the County how you will handle the project’s waste.

Your choices include:

- a. Use one or more of the nine certified Integrated Waste Management Authority (IWMA) facilities or,
- b. Use some other facility. These choices are shown on the County Building Department’s Permit Application, above the signature area. Failure to complete that section will result in delays issuing your permit until the information is provided.

Both option (a) and (b) shall be required to submit all receipts from the waste and recycling facilities before you receive your Final Building Inspector Approval.

If you decide to use a facility that is not IWMA-certified, then you need to fill out an extra form ([Detailed Recycling Plan](#)) before your permit is issued. (Please see our website for the Detailed Form BLD-1017)

Once the project has reached completion, submit your waste and recycling receipts for approval 7 days before you need the Final Building Inspector sign-off. Submittals are taken in the order received, so try to be sure everything is provided, or delays could result. Tip: new, clean drywall scrap is VERY recyclable. If you have had new drywall included in your project, be sure to recycle and include recycling receipt for your project’s drywall.

Who is Certified?

If self-haul or hired-haul, the 75% recycling requirement can be met by using an IWMA-certified facility. These facilities are:

Name	Location	Contact
Recycling Facility at Cold Canyon Landfill * Associated with Coastal Roll-Off	San Luis Obispo	805-543-8332
Recycling Facility at Chicago Grade Landfill	Atascadero	805-466-2985
North SLO County Recycling * Associated with Mid-State Solid Waste	Templeton	805-434-0043
Recycling Facility at Paso Robles Landfill	Paso Robles	805-238-2028



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Santa Maria Transfer Station	Nipomo	805-929-9255
Bedford/SMART	Santa Maria	805-922-4977
Health Sanitation Services	Santa Maria	805-922-2121
The next two facilities are also certified but not open to the public. Customers can use the roll-off/hauling company associated with the facility		
API Roll-Off Services		805-928-8689
R&R Roll-Off		805-929-8000

Be sure to get the receipt that shows you used the recycling part of the facility. Provide receipts seven (7) days before your project is scheduled to do the Final Inspection. You can email scanned copies of the receipts or mail in the originals from all of the recycling facilities and landfills you used.

Hauling companies - each of these companies (and numbers 7 & 8, on the other side) is permitted to operate anywhere in the unincorporated county. They handle mixed loads of waste; call for prices and availability.

Atascadero Waste (WMI)	805 466-3636	Paso Robles Roll-Off	805 238-4897
*Coastal Roll-Off	805 543-0473	San Miguel Roll-Off	805 239-1266
*Mid-State Solid Waste	805 434-9112		

Recycling Plan forms are available at the County Planning and Building Department website: ([Detailed Recycling Plan](#))

To avoid needing to fill out a Detailed Recycling Plan form, it is your responsibility to tell your hauling company to take it to an IWMA-certified facility. Other facilities are available in the county: please contact the County if they are not listed in this form.

Failure to achieve the 75% recycling goal could result in delays in receiving Final Inspection Approval **and a code enforcement case with associated penalty fees**. All penalties must be paid before Final Building Inspector Approval.

For additional information and updates:

Integrated Waste Management Authority	805-782-8530
County Building Division Solid Waste Coordinator	805-781-1537

If you do not use a certified recycling facility you will need to estimate the amount of waste your project will make. The following table will help you estimate your expected waste loads.

Construction and Demo Waste Generation by Project Type	
Type of Project	Approximate Waste
Commercial	
Additions	27 lbs / sq ft
Demolition	70 lbs / sq ft
New Construction	13 lbs / sq ft
Tenant Improvement	10 lbs / sq ft
Multi-Family Residential	



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Additions	4.5 lbs / sq ft
Demo & Other	16 lbs / sq ft
New Const	9.5 lbs / sq ft
Single Family Residential	
Additions	33 lbs / sq ft
Demolition	83 lbs / sq ft
New Single Family Residence	5 lbs / sq ft
Remodel	39 lbs / sq ft

Simplified Recycling Plan

WASTE MANAGEMENT

You need to review the Requirements for Managing Project Waste information on this form and then check the box that fits your project. You must check one of the boxes prior to permit issuance. Note: IWMA means Integrated Waste Management Authority

Are you planning to;

- A) use an IWMA-certified construction and demolition waste recycling facility? or
- B) use other recycling and disposal facilities?

If B is checked, you must fill out Sections 1 & 2 of a [Detailed Recycling Plan](#) form and have it approved prior to the permit being issued. For a copy of the Detailed Recycling Plan form, use the web: <http://www.slocounty.ca.gov/planning/formslibrary.htm>. or contact Building Div. (781-5601). For more information and a list of certified facilities read the *“Who is certified”* on this form.

Prior to a construction permit being issued, this form must be signed and faxed to 805-788-2414, or emailed to saldana@co.slo.ca.us or mailed to Recycling Attn: Sylvia Aldana, Building Division, County Government Center, Room 200 Old County Courthouse, San Luis Obispo, CA 93408

LEGAL DECLARATION

I, the owner of record of this property, or authorized agent, have accurately completed this form and declare that all statements herein are true. I acknowledge the responsibility for recycling my project’s waste and the penalty for non-compliance. I agree to comply with the requirements of the State Green Code and SLO County’s Green Ordinance

Property owner/Agent signature _____

Date _____

Seven days prior to Final Inspection you must submit receipts from all of the recycling and landfill facilities that received waste from your project.