



FACT SHEET

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Construction & Demolition Recycling

Have a positive impact on the environment and possibly save money by rethinking, reducing, reusing, and recycling.

Going green on the job is a smart move. It reduces your carbon footprint (learn more about reducing your carbon footprint at "www.whatsmycarbonfootprint.com") and helps SWACO save precious landfill space for items we cannot recycle. But by going green you could also save some green. As you rethink, reduce, reuse, and recycle you cut the amount of trash that is hauled to our public landfill. Also, many Construction and Demolition Landfills charge less. More importantly, many of the "leftovers" from your job site can be recycled or donated.



Waste Audit

The best way to get started is to determine what makes up your trash. Do a waste audit, or have one done and assess what is on site.

Items to be Recycled or Donated

1. Wood Products: Scrap wood, doors, windows, & pallets.
2. Scrap Metals: Ferrous & nonferrous metals (copper, aluminum, lead, etc).
3. Reusable Building Products: Doors, windows, cabinets,, lumber, insulation, drywall, etc.
4. Corrugated Cardboard: Boxes, packaging, dry materials only...no wet or waxed product.
5. Office Paper: Most paper that will tear, newspapers etc. No food wrappers.
6. Others: Concrete block, bricks, unopened paint, etc.
7. Furniture: Tables, chairs, desks that are usable and not broken or in need of repair.

Reducing Waste On The Job



- * Ask vendors if they will take back pallets and other packing materials.
- * Donate your reusable lumber, drywall, carpeting, tile and plumbing to Habitat for Humanity's "Restore."
- * Recycle cardboard, scrap metals, and office paper.
- * Check with Construction & Demolition landfills to see what they will recycle.

Need Help Getting Started?

Contact SWACO at (614) 871-5100. This fact sheet and other SWACO publications can be viewed and printed from the SWACO web site: www.swaco.org.



For More Information

These websites can provide you with alternatives to landfilling. Contact them for details.

Habitat for Humanity of Greater Columbus
www.habitatcolumbus.org
614-414-0427 x 7025

MAP Furniture Bank
www.mapfurniturebank.com
614-272-9544

Frank Road C & D Landfill
www.frankroadc-d.com
614-539-3722

Rumpke Recycling
www.RumpkeRecycling.com
1-888-786-7531

Scotts Landfill
614-443-7134

Construction Materials Recycling Association
www.cdrecycling.org
www.concreterecycling.org
www.drywallrecycling.org
www.shinglerecycling.org

Association of Ohio Recyclers
www.aor-omex.org

Steel Recycling Institute
www.recycle-steel.org

Aluminum Association
www.aluminum.org

American Forest & Paper Association
www.afandpa.org

Ohio Department of Natural Resources
Division of Recycling and Litter Prevention
www.odnr.state.oh.us/recycling

Ohio Environmental Protection Agency
www.epa.state.oh.us

National Recycling Coalition
<http://www.nrc-recycle.org>