

**MONROE COUNTY MUNICIPAL WASTE MANAGEMENT
AUTHORITY RULES AND REGULATIONS**

ARTICLE I

Background

The Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Authority Rules and Regulations shall at minimum specify requirements that are deemed necessary or convenient for the protection of Public, Health and Safety and the efficient, effective, reliable and safe operation of the Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Authority Facilities and the Integrated Municipal Waste Management System.

Any person violating the provisions of the Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Authority Rules and Regulations and or the Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Ordinance, may be subject to the penalties as described in Article VII Section 7.02 of the Ordinance.

The Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Authority is established in accordance with the Municipality Authorities of Act 1945, Act 53 pa C.S. Ch. 56 and is responsible for the implementation and enforcement of the Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Plan, the Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Ordinance and the Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Rules and Regulations.

The Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Authority Rules and Regulations are established by Authority of Section 303 of the Municipal Waste Planning, Recycling and Waste Reduction Act, P.L. 556, No 101 (Act 101) enacted July 28, 1988, 53 P.S. 4000.303 and the Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Ordinance and agreement between the Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Authority and Monroe County.

The Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Authority Rules and Regulations apply to all persons engaging in the storage, collection, processing and transporting of Regulated Waste in Monroe County.

ARTICLE II

Waste Hauler Registration Procedure

All vehicles used for the collection and transportation of Municipal Solid Waste, including Septage, must be in compliance with the requirements of Act 97 and Act 101, and any Department regulations adopted from time to time pursuant to those laws including Title 25, Pa. Code, Chapter 285, subchapter B entitled Regulations for the Collection and Transportation of Municipal Waste, and any subsequently enacted federal, State, County and/or Municipal laws, Ordinances and/or regulations governing the storage, collection and/or transportation of municipal waste.

All persons engaging in the storage, collection, transportation, and disposal of municipal solid waste in Monroe County must dispose of Monroe County municipal solid waste at a disposal and

processing facility within the Monroe County Plan. All haulers shall register with the Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Authority and obtain an access permit to enter the designated disposal facilities as set forth in the Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Plan, Monroe County Municipal Waste Ordinance and the Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Authority Rules and Regulations

Access Permits are obtained by completing a Waste Hauler Registration Application along with the required non-refundable fee to the offices of the Waste Authority. A fee schedule is attached to these rules and regulations. Applications are also available by request or can be obtained from the Waste Authority's website "TheWasteAuthority.com". The Authority shall have thirty (30) days to act on the Permit application.

Access Permits issued to Municipal Waste Haulers shall be renewed annually and are valid until December 31st of each calendar year. Waste Haulers who continue to collect municipal waste without renewing their registration will be in violation of the Monroe County Municipal Waste Ordinance and the Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Authority Rules and Regulations.

Access Permits for Septage Haulers shall be renewed annually and are valid until December 31st of each calendar year. Waste Haulers who continue to collect Septage without renewing their registration will be in violation of the Monroe County Municipal Waste Ordinance and these Rules and Regulations. .

All persons applying for, maintaining, or renewing a permit to collect and transport Monroe County Municipal Solid Waste, including Septage, must obtain and maintain the following insurance coverage naming the Authority as a certificate holder:

- (a) Automobile Liability Insurance, Registration and any other legal instruments as required by The DEP, Pennsylvania State law and/or regulations;
- (b) Commercial Liability Insurance with a minimum coverage of \$1,000,000.00;
- (c) Workers Compensation Insurance as required by Pennsylvania State law and/or regulations.

The Waste Authority must also be provided with the name, address, and phone number of the agent who is handling each of the insurances for the hauler. All changes in insurance coverage and or agent(s) shall be promptly reported to the Authority

All Monroe County Waste Haulers operating vehicles which exceed a Gross Vehicle Weight of 17,001 and above or a trailer which exceeds 10,001 must possess a valid (Act 90) PA State Registration Number obtained from the Department of Environmental Protection. Courtesy access permits shall be issued to all operators who possess a valid (Act 90) PA State Registration Number as long as they complete an application which indicates they possess vehicle and commercial liability and workers compensation Insurances that meet or exceed the required Commonwealth and County minimums.

Any person who transports Monroe County municipal solid waste must obtain an Access Permit issued by the Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Authority except when you are transporting your personal residential solid waste in a passenger vehicle not used for transportation of Municipal Waste to a Monroe County Designated Waste Disposal Facility.

Any Waste Hauler who uses a roll-off type container or compactor to transport Monroe County Municipal Solid Waste must receive an access permit for every roll-off container used to store, collect and transport municipal waste. Permits are NOT transferrable and must be assigned to a vehicle, trailer, compactor or container. If any registered vehicle, trailer, compactor or container is sold or in any way transferred by the Waste Hauler, notice must be provided to the Waste Authority within five (5) days of such sale or transfer. Further, all decals received from the Waste Authority must be removed prior to any sale or transfer of a registered vehicle, trailer, compactor or container.

If a registrant, who has been issued a permit doing business as, changes the name of said business, it is the responsibility of the registrant to contact the Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Authority and submit a corrected application in order to amend the records of the Authority. In the event the registrant fails to notify the Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Authority of such name change, said registrant shall be in violation of the Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Ordinance and the Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Authority Rules and Regulations.

All transporters of regulated waste must comply and remain in compliance with the requirements of Act 97, Act 101, the Plan, the Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Authority Ordinance and the Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Authority Rules and Regulations. These laws are enforced to ensure, maintain and protect the health and safety of the general public and the environment. Renewal permits may not be issued by the Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Authority to any Waste Hauler in violation of the Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Authority Ordinance or Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Authority Rules and Regulations.

Operating Requirements

All Waste Haulers who complete the required registration application will be issued an Access Permit(s) by the Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Authority for each vehicle, trailer and roll-off container used for the collection and transportation of Monroe County Municipal Solid Waste including Septage. The access permit must be affixed and prominently displayed on the appropriate vehicle; trailer and roll-off container the access permit was assigned.

The Access Permit(s) shall be displayed on the left lower side door of the vehicle to which it was assigned or the left mid center side of the body of any trailer or roll-off container. Should an Access Permit become lost, mutilated, or defaced it shall be the responsibility of the registered waste hauler to obtain a replacement sticker.

The name, address and telephone number of the registered waste hauler and the type of waste being transported must be displayed on all vehicles, trailers or roll-off containers. The size of lettering for such vehicles shall be no less than six (6) inches in height and clearly legible.

All solid waste collected and transported within the geographical boundaries of Monroe County must be processed and disposed of at an approved designated disposal facility as described within the Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Authority Plan. It is the Hauler's responsibility to accurately report the source generation as "MONROE COUNTY" when loads are taken to the landfill as set forth in the Ordinance and the Authority Rules and Regulations

Effective January 1, 2015, all loads must be processed and disposed of at one of the designated disposal facilities. The disposal rate per ton is inclusive of all Pennsylvania Environmental taxes, host community benefit fees and Integrated Waste Management system fees and taxes. The Disposal rates may be subject to change.

The only two (2) approved designated disposal facilities under the County Waste Management Plan are as follows:

Alliance Landfill:
398 S. Keyser Avenue
Taylor, PA 18517

Grand Central Sanitary Landfill
1963 Pen Argyl Road
Pen Argyl, PA 18072

Disposal Rate: \$ 66.00

Disposal Rate: \$ 76.50

All Monroe County municipal waste and recycling haulers shall follow all safety guidelines and operating requirements of the disposal facility and the Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Authority Transfer Station when disposing of Monroe County Municipal Solid Waste and residential and commercial recyclables. Any hauler who violates any such safety guidelines or safety requirements may potentially lose their privilege to collect, haul and dispose of municipal solid waste in Monroe County. The Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Authority Transfer Station Safety Policy and Procedure is as follows

Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Authority Transfer Station Safety Policies and Procedures

- COVID 19 Protection/Personal Protective Equipment - All drivers, passengers and visitors must always wear the required PPE including protective masks while on site. This includes sturdy shoes, high visibility vest, protective eyewear, and ear protection. If you do not have a protective mask or refuse to wear one, you will be asked to leave the premises.
- Do Not leave your vehicle only to use the scale kiosk and to prepare your load for tipping. Remain at a social distance of approximately 15 feet apart from Authority employees.

- Hours of operation – Monday-Friday 7:30-4:00 pm
- Cell Phone use is prohibited on site: at the scale, while driving and unloading.
- Smoking is prohibited on site.
- Scavenging No person can pick through material dumped on the tipping floor.
- Alcohol is prohibited on site.
- All trucks, containers or trailers should remain tarped until on the tipping floor. Do not remove the tarp while waiting in line. Any vehicle that is not clean after dumping should be tarped before leaving the tipping floor.
- Dumpsters and Compactors will not leave the tipping floor before doors are closed and debris is cleaned from the frame and rear of the truck.
- Banging Compactors or Roll off Boxes on the tipping floor will not be allowed due to the damage it causes to the tipping floor.

Transfer Station Tipping Floor Procedures

- All Vehicles should wait in line until the scale is open.
- No vehicle should enter scale until proceeding vehicle has completely exited the scale
- The speed limit shall be 5mph or less when entering The Authority Transfer facility. You must come to a complete STOP before entering scale and you must always exit scale with extreme caution.

All Monroe County Residents shall follow all safety guidelines and operating requirements of the Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Authority Residential Drop Off facilities. Any person who violates the safety guidelines or safety requirements may potentially lose their privilege to bring residential recyclables at all facilities.

Residential Recycling Drop Off Facilities Safety Policy and Procedure

- If you are sick, we urge you to stay home for your safety and the safety of the public and staff.
- COVID 19 Protection/Personal Protective Equipment – A protective mask is required to enter the recycling site. If you do not have a protective mask or refuse to wear one, you will be asked to leave the premises.
- The Waste Authority permit for recycling must always be displayed and visible for the site attendant

- There will always be a limited number of vehicles allowed on site. Site attendant will assign parking spaces
- To safely practice social distancing, only one person will be allowed at each recycling receptacle to dispose of their recyclables. If the receptacles are in use, you must remain in your vehicle until it becomes available. Absolutely no exceptions. Your permit will be revoked, and you will no longer be permitted to access any Waste Authority operated recycling site.
- All recyclables must be rinsed, and cardboard boxes must be broken down
- No Styrofoam or garbage will be accepted. If you leave anything on the ground, you are illegally dumping. Unacceptable items must be returned to your residence for proper disposal.
- Recycling is a market driven commodity industry. Acceptable items may change from time to time and without notice. Anyone who refuses to follow directions of the Waste Authority or of the onsite attendant may be subject to fines and penalties for violation of the Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Ordinance.
- The Waste Authority reserves the right to revoke a permit at any time and for any reason.
- For the safety of the public and Authority personnel, the Waste Authority reserves the right to modify rules and regulations as it deems fit without advanced notice.
- Any unacceptable items must be removed from the facility and returned to your residence for proper disposal. A list of acceptable items can be found on the Waste Authority website www.thewasteauthority.com

Any person violating any provision of Articles I through VII of the Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Ordinance and or the Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Rules and Regulations, may, upon conviction in a summary proceeding, be sentenced for each violation to pay a fine of not more than \$1,000 and costs, sentenced up thirty hours of community service picking litter or illegally dumped trash, undergo imprisonment for not more than ten days, or any combination thereof. Any violation of this Ordinance or a violation of the Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Authority Rules and Regulations shall consist of a separate violation and offense for each and every day the violation exists.

Reporting Requirements

All registered waste haulers shall promptly report to the Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Authority any changes in business address, company ownership and the addition or removal of equipment which shall include containers, trucks, trailers etc.

All waste haulers collecting Monroe County Municipal Waste, including Septage, shall maintain current, up to date records of waste collection and disposal for a minimum of 5 years. The Waste Hauler shall provide a full and complete list of all its customers within the geographic boundaries of Monroe County, Pennsylvania upon issuance of such a request by the Waste Authority. The Waste Hauler shall provide a full and complete response to a request for a customer list from the Waste Authority within five (5) days from the date the request is issued by the Waste Authority.

The Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Authority shall notify each municipality of all persons registered to collect and transport municipal solid waste, including Septage Haulers, in Monroe County. Municipalities shall notify Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Authority of all persons collecting and transporting Regulated Waste in the municipality who are not on the list of Registered Haulers.

Any registrant, municipal official or citizen who observes a violation of the Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Authority Rules and Regulations or the Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Ordinance may notify the Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Authority, which will conduct an appropriate investigation and may seek any resolution available to the Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Authority.

All persons holding a registration to collect and transport municipal solid waste must report monthly to each municipality, quantities of materials collected as recyclables in that municipality.

All Septage Haulers may obtain upon request Septage/Sludge manifests or they may be obtained by downloading the manifest from www.thewasteauthority.com. Each Hauler shall complete a Septage Sludge manifest which shall be submitted to the Waste authority on a weekly basis.

ARTICLE III

Municipal Waste Storage, Collection, Transportation, Processing and Disposal

It is the responsibility of all property owners and their occupants to ensure and maintain the property whether the property is inhabited or vacant so as not to injuriously affect health, safety and welfare of the public and/or to have a detrimental or unsightly impact on the environment.

It shall be strictly prohibited to burn, incinerate, or bury any regulated waste or any designated recyclables within Monroe County, Pennsylvania.

Any person engaging in collecting or transporting of regulated waste shall not dispose of any regulated waste other than at a Monroe County Designated Disposal Facility that has been approved and included in the Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Plan.

ARTICLE IV

MISCELLANEOUS

No person shall dump, throw, or in any other manner allow the deposit or disposal of municipal waste or recyclable materials upon or in any roadway, waterway, body of water, public or private property, street, highway, and alley or railroad right of way. This shall include the driver of the vehicle and the registrant of any registered vehicle from which any of the items are dropped or thrown either by the registrant or any person operating, in possession of, or present within the vehicle with the permission of the registrant. Regardless of the registrant's intent or lack of knowledge with respect to the disposal of such items in violation. Where the registrant of the

vehicle does not, with reasonable certainty, identify the driver of the vehicle at the time the violation occurred.

No person shall dump, throw, or in any other manner allow the deposit or disposal of municipal waste or recyclable materials into the residential or commercial receptacle, dumpster, roll-off container, or any item used to collect and store municipal waste and recyclable materials. A person is guilty of theft if, having control over the disposition of services of others to which he is not entitled, he knowingly diverts such services to his own benefit or to the benefit of another not entitled thereto.

The provisions of the Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Authority Rules and Regulations are severable. If any provision of the Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Authority Rules and Regulations or its application to any person or circumstances is held invalid by a Court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity shall not affect any other provision or application of the Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Authority Rules and Regulations.

These Rules and Regulations may be revised from time to time and adopted by the Board of Directors at a public meeting. A copy of the revised Rules and Regulations will be forwarded to the Monroe County Commissioners.

Monroe County Municipal Waste Management Authority Fee Schedule

<u>Vehicle Weight Class</u>	<u>Requirements</u>	<u>Waste Authority Fee</u>	<u>Registration Type</u>
Vehicles over 17,001	DEP License	Courtesy	Annual/ Per vehicle
Trailers over 10, 001	DEP License	Courtesy	Annual/ Per trailer
Vehicles under 17,000 and trailers under 10,000	DEP License not required	\$25.00	Annual per vehicle Annual per trailer
Septage Vehicles	DEP License	\$100	Per vehicle
Permit Fee- 10 cubic yards and above	Container and Compactor	\$10.00	Annual
Permit replacement Fee	Return old permit	Free	Per vehicle, trailer or container
Permit replacement Fee	Old permit lost or stolen	\$10.00	Per vehicle, trailer, or container

The effective date of these revised Rules and Regulation is January 1, 2023