

Important Contact Information

SITE NAME: _____

SITE LOCATION: _____

REFERENCE NUMBERS:

PA CleanWays Chapter _____

DEP Solid Waste Specialist _____

Municipal Official _____

Enforcement Agencies:

Local Police _____

State Police _____

Code Enforcement _____

PA Fish & Boat Commission _____

State Park/Forest Office _____

PA Game Commission _____

County Recycling Coordinator _____

County Solid Waste Authority _____

PENNDOT _____

For tracking purposes, report trash found and actions taken to:

PA CleanWays

Toll Free: 877-772-3673

Info@pacleanways.org

PA CleanWays is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to empower people to eliminate illegal dumping and littering in Pennsylvania. We are a statewide organization with volunteer chapters and independent affiliates who focus on illegal dumping and littering priorities. Since 1990, our successful approach has enabled thousands of volunteers to help clean up Pennsylvania.



For more information about PA CleanWays or to volunteer to monitor a cleaned site, contact us at:

PA CleanWays

105 West Fourth Street

Greensburg, PA 15601

Toll Free: 877-772-3673

Phone: 724-836-4121

E-mail: info@pacleanways.org

Website: www.pacleanways.org



Volunteers helping to keep Pennsylvania clean!



SITE MONITORING PROGRAM



Why Monitor a Cleaned Site?

It's important to monitor a site after an area has been cleaned in order to watch for subsequent dumping or littering, to keep the site clean, and to report any incriminating evidence to the proper enforcement agency.

Keeping the site clean makes it easier to spot new trash and discourages subsequent dumping, since trash attracts trash.

Enforcement, with volunteer site monitor support, effectively decreases the incidents of dumping and littering. When word gets out that dumping activity will not be tolerated and violators might be caught and prosecuted, dumping decreases.



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What Can I Do?

Monitor the site regularly

The frequency which a site will need to be monitored depends on the frequency of the dumping or littering.

Call appropriate enforcement agency

If evidence identifying the dumper is found, do not disturb the site. Contact the appropriate enforcement agency. It is important to note that in order for the agent to testify that the evidence was part of the dump, it must be left undisturbed. Work with the agency to determine the course of action for quick trash removal.

Be aware of meth lab waste

Site monitors should also be aware of the potential to discover hazardous items that may have been used in the production of the drug methamphetamine. PA CleanWays will provide site monitors with information on identifying lab waste (common household products and equipment) that indicate the production of methamphetamines. Monitors are never to touch or remove anything that may have been part of a lab and are to call the State Police.

Maintain the site

Site monitors must be aware that removing trash poses some health and safety risks and care should always be taken. Often monitors are able to dispose of small amounts of collected trash. Help can be arranged when bulky or hard to dispose of items are found. Maintenance cleanups can also be scheduled.

Report any trash found

For tracking purposes, report any trash found and action taken to PA CleanWays. (i.e. "Three tires taken to local tire distributor" or "Evidence found and reported to Game Commission.")

You Can Make a Difference!

Illegally dumped trash attracts more trash. As an environmental steward, you can help minimize the amount of trash dumped and, over time, even eliminate it.

Personal involvement is the key to providing the solution to the problem of illegal dumping. By keeping the site clean, monitors can easily spot new trash and then it can be searched for evidence by the proper enforcement agency.



"A volunteer is a person who believes that people can make a difference - and is willing to prove it."

Anonymous

Do not confront an illegal dumper.

If you witness someone littering or dumping illegally, write down the license number if a vehicle is involved, site location, and any other significant information and report it to your local enforcement agency.