

SCOUTS RECYCLING SCHEME FACT SHEET: SITE MAINTENANCE

Ongoing site and facility maintenance is cost effective, keeping the donation site in good condition and ensuring a safe environment for both volunteers and donors. A good preventive maintenance program will include building and site upkeep, and collection bin cleaning and painting.

Regular site maintenance is crucial to encourage proper recycling and discourage dumping of non-acceptable materials or rubbish. Not only will a clean and orderly site be more inviting to donors and foster an understanding of the importance of recyclables as valuable resources, but it will also encourage donors to keep their materials free of contaminants and keep the ground free of litter.

Groups responsible for a donation site should monitor and maintain adequate collection and storage space at their Hall to prevent overflow. Not only do over-flowing collection bins look unsightly, but they also attract pests, deter participation, and can promote inappropriate dumping. If containers are regularly overflowing, Groups should renegotiate collection frequency to allow for more frequent visits to a collection point.

Storage areas should be kept clean and orderly to prevent pests and reduce the likelihood of health and safety concerns.