



## SCOUTS RECYCLING SCHEME FACT SHEET: SITE SECURITY

A number of tools can be used to help ensure your Group's donation site is secure from any potential liability issues.

### **Lighting**

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Donation sites, whether staffed or unstaffed, should be well lit to discourage illegal dumping or theft and provide for the safety of volunteers and donors. Each site should be clearly visible and identifiable from main roads. Having a site in full view of a road allows for added security to deter illegal dumping and offers added safety for donors.

### **Site Access**

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Controlling access to sites, especially sites collecting a variety of potentially valuable materials will help to limit potential liability issues. A buffer or fence that restricts access is important as a security measure to help keep sites clean and discourage improper dumping, vandalism and theft. Staffed and unstaffed sites can limit operating hours by using gates and fencing to secure the premises.

### **Surveillance**

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Security cameras can significantly reduce illegal dumping and help volunteers monitor collection sites. Cameras should be visible and mounted securely in vandalism-resistant boxes. It is important to post signage notifying donors that the site and their actions are being monitored on camera.