

Segregation of wastes

Environment Toolbox Talks

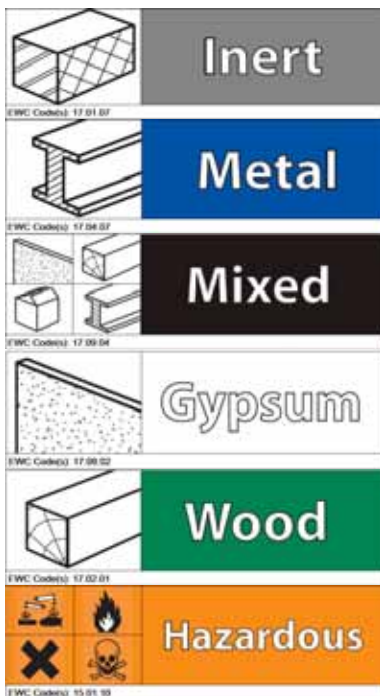
Why Segregate Waste?

Segregating waste on site into separate material streams can help minimise costs and maximise the opportunities for the recovery and recycling of wastes.

Watch out for these standard signs on site, which help identify which bin or skip is for which waste. Dependent on the waste being produced on site, not all of these may be used on your site.



Waste Sign



Waste Types

Clean concrete, rubble, hardcore, brick & block etc that will not decompose or cause a hazard when buried.

Use only uncontaminated metals. Examples include rebar offcuts, scrap metal (no empty paint tins, as these are considered hazardous).

Any wastes except contaminated wastes that cannot be recycled in other bins on the site.

Plasterboard and Gypsum products. Do not contaminate these materials with other substances as this will affect their recyclability.

Only timber or wood products. Do not use for treated timbers as these may be contaminated with preservatives.

Only for contaminated wastes or wastes that are hazardous. Examples include old paint cans, mastic tubes, COSHH materials

Do

- Whenever possible segregate wastes into the different types
- Use enclosed or covered skips
- Ask the site Environmental Coordinator for advice if you are unsure about correct waste segregation on site

Don't

- Burn Waste on site
- Overfill Skips
- Drop litter on site.
- Mix different types of waste
- Put hazardous, liquid or flammable wastes into mixed waste skips