Dumpster Maintenance and Waste Materials Checklist

Proper dumpster maintenance and disposal of waste materials can prevent rodent and pest infestations, kill hazardous mold, and prevent stormwater pollution. Your business or industry can prevent these problems by doing the following:

☐ Dry sweep paved areas on a regular basis, especially around storm drains. This includes parking lots, patios, sidewalks & dumpster areas. Do not use a hose to wash down pavement.
☐ Collect and dispose of debris in dumpster. Do not sweep into the gutter or storm drain.
☐ Cover dumpsters and keep them clean to avoid leaks.
☐ Make sure a plug is installed in the container’s drain opening, which is usually near one of the back corners of the container. Without a plug, liquid wastes in the container are allowed to discharge freely.
☐ Check regularly for leaks, and replace if necessary.
☐ Never wash down dumpsters with a hose. If cleaning is needed, contact the leasing company.
☐ Schedule regular waste pick-ups.

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