Frequently Asked Questions

What do I include in the Recycling Report?
The Recycling Report shall include tonnage of all C&D materials recycled reused and/or disposed, copies of receipts from construction waste facilities, and any other supporting documents about how the project manager handled the materials on the job.

How long will it take to get approval?
City staff will review the Recycling Report within 10 business days and determine whether it complies with the program requirements.

What do I do if the City does not approve it?
If your report is incomplete, City staff is available to help. You may be required to provide additional information in writing.

If the project fails to meet the 65% diversion?
Issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy may be delayed if the City does not receive satisfactory documentation. On determination of non-compliance, penalties may be assessed.

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A Guide for Builders

Construction and Demolition Debris Recycling Program

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Malibu Guide to Construction and Demolition Debris Recycling

State and Local Law

Construction and Demolition (C&D) debris represents a significant portion of the solid waste stream. The C&D Debris Recycling program aims to keep materials out of landfills that could be reused. Participation in this program prolongs our supply of natural resources, and potentially saves money on your project in the process. The City requires that project managers recycle, salvage or reuse at least 65% of the waste generated. The State's building code, Cal Green, also mandates C&D debris recycling.

Projects Subject to C&D Debris Recycling

- New Construction
- Demolition projects
- Any Addition/Alteration that increases the building's conditioned area, volume, or size
- Over-the-Counter projects

Program Overview

The purpose of a Waste Reduction and Recycling Plan (WRRP) is to ensure that a minimum of 65% of project materials are diverted from the landfill. The project manager is responsible for tracking the tonnage of all materials including salvaged, recycled, and landfilled materials. Be sure to keep good records since this documentation must be submitted to the City with the Recycling Report. The receipts must include information about the facility, tonnage amounts, project address, and appropriate coding to indicate that the material was recycled or disposed.

Requirements

The Applicant or Owner/Builder is responsible for communicating these requirements to all contractors and subcontractors. The forms are available at Malibu City Hall or online at www.malibucity.org/ConDemo

- At permit issuance or as a Planning Department requirement, submit the Affidavit and Certification. By signing this form, you are affirming to the City that you have designed a recycling plan specific to your project.
- Recycle, reuse, and divert at least 65% of the debris.
- Submit a Recycling Report to the Environmental Sustainability Department summarizing the amount of materials recycled/reused.
- Include construction waste processor receipts with the Recycling Report.
- Issuance of Certificate of Occupancy may be delayed if the Recycling Report is incomplete.
- Get approval of the Recycling Report prior to a final building inspection.

Permitted Waste Haulers

Only haulers with a City of Malibu solid waste collection permit may do business in Malibu. However, contractors may collect and dispose of C&D debris resulting from that contractor's own work ("self hauling"). For a current permitted haulers list, visit www.malibucity.org/haulers

Exempt Projects

The City encourages minimizing waste and maximizing recycling on all projects. Unless part of a larger project, the following types of projects are individually exempt from this process.

- Addition/Alteration projects that do not increase the building's conditioned area, volume, or size
- Demolition due to a fire
- Projects which require only an electric, plumbing or mechanical permit
- Roofing projects that do not include the tear-off of the existing roof
- Projects which are expected to generate only hazardous waste and/or hazardous substances
- Seismic tie-down projects, grade beams, piles
- Installation of pre-fabricated patio enclosures and covers where no foundation or other structural building modifications are required
- Installation, replacement or repair of:
  - Retaining wall
  - Carport
  - Balcony
  - Trellis
  - Fireplace
  - Deck
  - Fence
  - Solar panels
  - Swimming pool or a spa
  - Storage racks
  - Pre-fabricated sign which does not require modification to the structure to which sign is attached

- Other work that produces little or no reclaimable C&D debris as approved by the Environmental Sustainability Director or designee