

Fire Cleanup Tips & Guidelines

Hazardous Waste Alert

Ash, charred debris, and other materials from burned structures may be hazardous wastes. To minimize exposure to yourself, your neighbors and workers involved with restoration efforts, and to minimize dispersion to the air and run-off to surrounding surface waters, the ash and contaminated debris should be cleaned up and contained quickly.

Hazardous Waste Handling

Due to the hazardous nature of some of the debris, please contact the Public Health Department at (805) 346-8460 or (805) 681-4900 to schedule an appointment to have a County hazardous materials specialist inspect your property and identify anything that may be hazardous. Once the inspection is done, Public Health will provide information on the options available to a homeowner to remediate their property.

Obtain a Demolition Permit

After the hazardous materials have been removed from your property, the next step is to obtain a demolition permit. To do so contact Planning & Development, Building & Safety at (805) 558-3030.

Clean Up Safely

During actual cleanup of fire debris, keep materials damp while cleaning up to limit the amount of dust and ash in the air. Wear protective gear including face masks, eye protection, long sleeves, pants and gloves. More information on protection regarding debris disposal is available by calling (805) 961-8800 or going online at <https://www.ourair.org/>

Damaged Vehicle Removal

Most cars can be hauled away by a towing company. If you have problems with removing a vehicle, call (805) 681-4342.

Waste Removal

After getting a demolition permit, **large loads** of material should be hauled by a permitted hauler or a licensed contractor to the Tajiguas Landfill in lined and covered containers. The following haulers are approved by the County:

MarBorg Industries (805)963-1852
Waste Management (805) 242-7937
Progressive Waste (805) 564-2654
Atlas Industries (805) 928-8689
Valley Roll-Off (805) 736-8812
Bedford Enterprises (805) 922-4977
R & R Roll-Off (805) 929-8000
Engel & Gray (805) 925-2771

Most local contractors have accounts at the landfill. To set up an account ahead of time to use the landfill please see the County's web site at <http://lessismore.org/pages/thomas-fire-debris-clean-up#LandfillAccount>

The Santa Barbara Contractors Association (SBCA) maintains and updates an online directory of demolition contractors at <http://www.sbcontractors.org/sbca-member-directory/> *Providing this link is not an endorsement by the County of Santa Barbara.*

Smaller loads of 1 ton or less can be hauled to:

South Coast Recycling & Transfer Station
4430 Calle Real, Santa Barbara CA 93110
Mon-Sat 7 A.M. - 5 P.M.
(805) 681-4345

Loads need to be tarped and material contained. The material will be weighed and disposal fees charged at the transfer station. Fire related debris cannot be safely handled at the transfer station. Therefore, customers will then be directed to deliver the material to the Tajiguas Landfill.

Not All Waste Is The Same

Separating your materials makes disposal easier on you and your wallet. You may haul clean loads of metal, green waste, and broken up concrete to these locations at reduced rates:

South Coast Recycling & Transfer Station
(address listed above)

MarBorg Industries C&D Facility
119 North Quarantina (805) 963-1852
Mon. - Fri., 7 A.M. - 5 P.M.; Sat. 7 A.M. - 4 P.M.



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