Great Western Painting

General Waste Management

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To assure proper waste management, a General Waste Management Officer will be designated for waste management on each project on the owner’s site.

The General Waste Manage Officer will be a competent person and will perform the following duties:

1. Estimate, prior to work being performed, the amounts of wastes, trash, or scrap materials that will be generated on the project and arrange for appropriate number or waste containers and/or removal services.

   \textbf{Note}: Because each project is unique, the Waste Management Officer will use his/her experience, training and knowledge to estimate waste management requirements for each project.

2. Ensure proper disposal or reuse of waste materials.

3. Identify safety hazards related to any wastes, scrap, or left over materials.

4. Identify any special PPE requirements. These requirement include, but are not limited to:
   a. Foot protection.
   b. Eye protection
   c. Respiratory protection
   e. Skin protection
   f. Hand protection

5. Identify if any special handling or disposal requirements. These requirements include, but are not limited to:
   a. Re-cycling. This could include paper, petroleum products, and metals.
   b. Scraping [selling at a scrap yard].
   c. Special packaging and shipping for hazard materials such as asbestos, lead, blood borne pathogens, toxic or other hazardous materials.
   d. Compliance with federal, state and local environmental laws including using licensed landfills, obtaining permits and waste receipts.
6. Coordinate with project manager or site owner for proper disposal of waste and scrap materials.
   a. This coordination would include a determination of whether waste and scrap materials will be taken off site or disposed on the owner’s site.

7. Ensure minimal impact on the environment such as:
   a. Proper storage and handling to minimize the potential for a spill.
   b. Ensuring, during outside activities, that receptacles are covered to prevent dispersion of waste materials and control the potential for run-off.

8. Instruct employees on the proper methods of non-hazardous waste disposal, and, if needed, the proper methods of hazardous waste disposal to ensure their safety as well as the safety of the environment.

9. Instruct employees of the value of recycling and the need to segregate wastes by type to enhance opportunities for recycling. This not only saves money, but provides for a cleaner environment.

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