

# DUMPSTER & TRASH MAINTENANCE

Poorly maintained dumpsters and escaped litter can have harmful effects on our island's waters when storm water carries trash such as food wrappers, plastic containers, and cigarette butts into the storm drain system.

## MAINTAINING DUMPSTERS AND TRASH ENCLOSURES

- **Do not hose out dumpsters or trash enclosures.** Wash with water only (no cleaning solutions) using a bucket and mop or broom.
- Regularly inspect the trash enclosure area for stains and grime.
- Regularly inspect dumpsters for leaks, holes, and broken parts. Contact your waste hauler to have dumpsters repaired or replaced.



If the area requires cleaning, use dry clean-up methods such as sweeping or wiping with a towel.



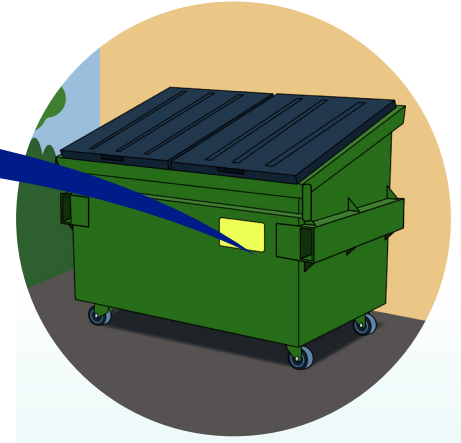
Keep dumpsters under shelter and/or lids closed to avoid exposing trash to rainfall.

## CONTROL LITTER

- Keep dumpster lids closed.
- Size dumpster and schedule pick-up frequency to keep dumpsters from becoming overloaded.
- Ensure trash is properly bagged before putting it in the dumpster.
- Provide ample trash receptacles for patrons and encourage their use.

## INFORMATION FOR TENANTS, CONTRACTORS, AND VISITORS

- Discourage illegal dumping by posting "No Dumping" signs, providing adequate lighting, and/or fencing off dumpsters in open areas.
- Communicate to tenants and contractors proper trash handling procedures such as breaking down boxes, keeping bulky items out of the dumpster, bagging trash and keeping lids closed.
- Communicate to residents how to dispose of their bulky items by appointment. Visit [Honolulu.gov/Opala](http://Honolulu.gov/Opala), or call 808-768-3200 for more information.
- Include trash control requirements in lease documents and service agreements.



*Storm drain water flows untreated into our streams and ocean.*

*Trash and litter may not enter the street or storm drain.*

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**CITY FINES FOR UNAUTHORIZED DISCHARGES CAN BE UP TO \$25,000 PER VIOLATION, PER DAY.**

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## FLUID AND HAZARDOUS WASTE HANDLING

- Place only empty containers in the trash. Absorb liquids and oils beforehand.
- Clean up any liquids spilled in the dumpster area using absorbents (e.g., kitty litter, newspapers) and bag for disposal.
- Keep hazardous waste out of trash receptacles (e.g., unabsorbed paint, cleaning chemicals, pesticides).

