



SAFETY MONDAY

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Landfill Safety Concerns

Allowing smaller vehicles to dump in and around commercial trucks is a big safety issue for landfill operators and their customers. It can be dangerous when a contractor or Joe-citizen parks his vehicle close to a truck as he is unlatching a compactor box or roll-off box. Compactors are often under pressure and will fly open and very serious accidents can occur. Also, private citizens may be tempted to scavenge something out of the trash, usually do not wear high-visibility clothing and may not be aware they can be difficult to see from heavy equipment.

Separating commercial and private vehicles can reduce landfill safety risks. Clear signage directing customers where to dump their loads and providing safety instruction can also help reduce accidents and injuries.



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