

COVID-19 Recommendations for Solid Waste Workers

1. Offer time off to non-essential personnel or allow employees to work from home when possible.
2. Always maintain six feet between workers.
3. Employees collecting trash and recycling or working on sorting lines should wear appropriate PPE.
4. Disposable gloves should only be used once. Gloves should be removed properly before being discarded.
5. At drop off sites, patrons should remain in their vehicles and workers should retrieve trash and/or recyclables from the customer to limit exposure time to the public.
6. Hands should be washed frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after using the restroom, before eating, after coughing and blowing your nose. Always wash your hands with soap and water if visibly dirty. If soap and water are not available, use a hand sanitizer containing at least 60% alcohol.
7. Do not touch your face.
8. Frequently touched surfaces (doorknobs, light switches, time clocks, steering wheels, etc.) should be washed with regular household detergent and water or a sanitizer.
9. Use caution when using gas pumps. Protect your hands from the gas nozzle and any touch screen devices.
10. Any employee that displays a persistence cough, difficulty breathing or a fever should be sent home immediately
11. Stay away from sick people.

Employee: _____

Trainer: _____ Date _____