



## City of Whittier Self-Hauler Permit Guidelines

Each occupied residence and business in the City of Whittier is required to utilize the services of the City's authorized collectors (Athens & Republic Services) for the collection of solid waste and recyclables. WMC Section 8.12.060. There are certain exceptions to this requirement, which can be found at WMC Sections 8.12.100. One of these exceptions is the self-hauler exclusion, set forth in WMC 8.12.105.

If a business owner or residential householder would prefer to, on a weekly basis collect and dispose of solid waste generated from their premises, in lieu of utilizing the services of the City's authorized haulers, they must first obtain a Self-Hauler Permit from the City, and comply with the procedures for self-hauling established by the Director of Public Works. WMC Section 8.12.105.

### Self-Hauler Permit Issuance Requirements

1. An annual application for self-hauler permit accompanied with a permit fee as follows
  - Application received during months of January 1 through March 31 \$ 200
  - Application received during months of April 1 through June 30 \$ 150
  - Application received during months of July 1 through September 30 \$ 100
  - Application received during months of October 31 thru December 31 \$ 50  
(Permit fee is non-refundable and will not be prorated other than outlined above)
2. Vehicle requirements for hauling solid waste:
  - Vehicle must be operational and meet all applicable Vehicle Code Standards.
  - Hauling capacity of a minimum of 32 gallons of solid waste, recyclable, or compostables.
  - Ability to haul waste materials in a safe, sanitary manner so that no material will spill, leak, drip, blow scatter or fall from vehicle.
  - For vehicles that are not fully enclosed, applicant must produce a tarp or other material that will be used to completely secure materials being self-hauled.
3. Evidence of valid vehicle registration.
4. Evidence of applicant ownership of vehicle or written agreement to use vehicle for the hauling of solid waste, recyclables or composting.
5. A valid California driver's license and proof of automobile insurance.
6. Provide proof of available containers on property for proper storage of solid waste, recyclables and compostables and return City and/or Contractor owned containers to respective owners.

7. Applicant must be in good standing with City of Whittier and city contracted refuse collection provider for all costs of refuse collection services previously provided.

### **Self-Haul Permit General Requirements/ Provisions**

1. Self-haul permits shall be good for one calendar year and shall expire on December 31st each year.
2. Self-haul permits may be renewed annually.
3. Permittee is responsible to notify the City of any change in vehicle used for self-hauling solid waste, and is responsible to provide current license, insurance and registration documents on file with the City for the duration of the permit. No notification will be provided by the City. Failure to provide updated/current document will result in the revocation of the self-haul permit.
4. Permittee must separate solid waste, recyclables and compostables.
5. Permittee must dispose of solid waste weekly at any licensed or permitted landfill or disposal facility. Applicant shall procure and retain weekly original receipts for disposal of all solid waste/recyclables/compostables which shall be submitted, along with the Self-Hauler Permit Weight Ticket Report form, to the City Public Works Department by the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month for the prior month as proof of legal disposal. If the 15<sup>th</sup> day falls on a day that City Hall is closed, the report shall be delivered on the next business day.
6. Permittee will be required to certify that no waste was generated during any period of vacation or vacancy. Certification as to periods of vacancy will be made by applicant on monthly reporting documents. Disposal receipts may not be required during times of vacation or vacancy. There will be no refund of permit fees for periods of vacation/vacancy.
7. Permittee is liable for any damages and clean up costs resulting from any solid waste, recycling or compostables spilling, leaking, dripping, blowing scattering or falling during the course of self-hauling activities.
8. The permit shall be subject to revocation if the permittee violates any provision of Whittier Municipal Code Section 8.12.105.
9. It is the responsibility of the permittee to renew the application and pay the fee annually.

For questions about the self-haul permit program, please call the City of Whittier's Public Works Department at (562) 567-9500 or email at [pubwks@cityofwhittier.org](mailto:pubwks@cityofwhittier.org) .