

Waste and Recycling

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Storage of recyclable materials and solid waste.

 Auburn City Code (ACC) Section 15.08A.041, as required by WAC 51-50-009, details requirements for recyclable materials storage areas. These requirements are specific to new buildings and do not include single-family residences or private garages.

Design Standard.

- The storage area must be designed to meet the needs of the occupancy, efficiency of pickup, and is required to be available to occupants and haulers.
- ACC section 15.08A.041 provides combined solid waste and recyclable materials storage areas.
- Storage and Handling of Recyclables and Solid Waste are required to comply with Section 304 of the 2021 Edition of the International Fire Code.
- The following table lists the minimum area requirements for each type of use or occupancy.

Occupancy

OFFICE RETAIL

WAREHOUSE & INDUSTRIAL
EDUCATIONAL & INSTITUTIONAL
MULTI-FAMILY

(One Collection Area Per Each 30 Dwelling Units. The collection area must be located within 200 feet of all dwelling units served by the collection area.)

AREA REQUIREMENTS

2 SF Per 1,000 SF of Gross Floor Area
5 SF Per 1,000 SF of Gross Floor Area
3 SF Per 1,000 SF of Gross Floor Area
2 SF Per 1,000 SF of Gross Floor Area
12 SF Plus 1.5 SF Per Dwelling Unit

Enclosures.

- Enclosure of collection areas is required in M-1 zones and may be required in Planned Unit Developments.
- Projects requiring State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) review may also be required to enclose collection areas.

Screening.

• Screening collection areas are highly encouraged to provide a visually pleasing streetscape.

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