



West Virginia University
 Environmental Health and Safety
 Garbage Dumpster/Compactor Code Compliance Checklist

Life Safety Code Requirements			
	Yes	No	COMMENTS
Are dumpster lids in good repair?			
Are dumpsters at least 10 feet from building footprint and overhangs?			
If dumpster is located closer than 10 feet, does it have an approved sprinkler head/system provided?			
Are dumpsters located more than 10 feet away from the building's means of egress/exits?			
Are dumpsters located far enough away to keep access to building fire safety equipment/fixtures (such as siamese connections, stand pipe connections, emergency generator access and similar equipment) clear?			
Are dumpsters secured properly to prevent uncontrolled/unintended movement/rolling of equipment?			
NOTE: These are minimum requirements for dumpsters and the Life Safety Code. Site specific conditions may result in additional requirements. Call EH&S for site assessment if you are not certain of any site condition.			

WV Food Code and Sanitation Requirements			
	Yes	No	Comments
Is a dumpster used by a permitted food service facility? If yes, please review the following items.			
Is the dumpster water tight with no rust holes, drain plugs provided and installed?			
Does the dumpster have lids/doors/covers in good repair, tight fitting, and kept closed so that dumpster contents are inaccessible to rodents and insects?			
Is the dumpster located upon a pad of concrete or asphalt?			
Is the dumpster clean inside and out? Although not expected to be spotless, dumpsters should not have a buildup of food debris, be a source of odors, or a breeding place/attractant for insects such as flies.			
Is the dumpster storage location (pad area) kept clean and free of trash and litter?			
Are dumpsters, compactors, or other garbage/trash storage equipment located and installed so that the area around the equipment can be kept clean?			
Is enough garbage/trash storage capacity provided to completely contain waste materials between pickups?			