

# Prohibited Waste Policy

The following types of wastes are prohibited from disposal in/at the Hiawatha Shores Landfill. These are examples of prohibited wastes and should not be construed to mean that these are the only wastes prohibited from disposal.

**Whole motor vehicle tires** – Whole motor vehicle tires are prohibited from disposal in a landfill. Prior to landfill disposal, the tire must be cut in half or otherwise processed into pieces. (Additional Fees will be charged for processing whole motor vehicle tires.)

**Yard clippings** - Yard clippings are defined as leaves, grass clippings, vegetable or other garden debris, shrubbery, or brush or tree trimmings, less than 4 feet in length and 2 inches in diameter, that can be converted to compost humus. De minimis quantities of yard clippings are not prohibited. \*

**Used oil** – Used oil is defined as petroleum-based oil that through use, storage, or handling, has become unsuitable for its original purpose due to the presence of impurities or loss of original properties.

**Lead acid batteries**- these are defined as a storage battery in which the electrodes are grids of lead containing lead oxides that change in composition during charging and discharging, and the electrolyte is dilute sulfuric acid.

**Low-level radioactive waste** – Low-level radioactive waste (LLRW) includes items that have become contaminated with radioactive through exposure to neutron radiation.

**Hazardous waste** – Hazardous wastes are materials that are identified by specific processes or exhibit certain properties that require more stringent controls on disposal, as specified by Michigan law. Household hazardous waste (HHW) including household cleaners, household pesticides, and household chemicals are not prohibited from disposal in a Michigan landfill.

**Medical waste**- unless that medical waste has been decontaminated or is not required to be decontaminated but is packaged in the manner required under Part 138, Medical Waste Regulatory Act, (MWRA) of the Public Health Code, 1978 PA 368, as amended, MCL 333.13801 to MCL 333.13831 (MWRA).

**Liquid waste** - Liquid waste means any waste material that is determined to contain free liquids as defined by Method 9095, the paint filter liquids test. Liquid waste from households is not prohibited.

**Sewage** – Sewage means untreated domestic wastewater. Sewage sludge is not prohibited.

**Beverage containers** – More than a de minimis amount of open, empty, or otherwise used beverage containers as defined in the Initiated Law of 1976, as amended (Deposit Law).

**PCBs** – Means PCBs as defined in 40 CFR 761.3. This includes both PCB items and PCB-contaminated material.

**Asbestos waste** - All asbestos waste regulated by federal regulations is prohibited from disposal in a Michigan landfill unless the landfill complies with 40 CFR 61.154. HSL is not currently not accepting any asbestos waste.

**\*De minimis means incidental disposal of small amounts of these materials that are commingled with other solid waste.**