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SOLID WASTE DESIGN STANDARDS | QUICK GUIDE

Below is an abbreviated version of the City of Boise’s Solid Waste Design Standards where the most common design issues are listed. Every project application should consult the full Solid Waste Design Standards located at cityofboise.org/solid-waste-design-standards for complete information.

REQUIRED INFORMATION

- ❑ The application and site plan must show the number, size and storage location of trash and recycling containers to be used on site.
- ❑ **For external enclosures:** The site plan must show the locations of the exterior enclosures, the numbers and sizes of the containers that will be stored within them and the interior dimensions of the enclosures and their openings.
- ❑ **For interior trash and recycling rooms:** The site plan must show the location of the interior room with interior dimensions and the dimensions of the door leading into the interior room.
- ❑ **For trash and recycling containers that will be staged for day of service:** The site plan must show the location and dimensions of the staging area.

COMMON DESIGN ISSUES

Site access shows how the service truck will move through the site. (Truck dimensions: 11’W x 35’L x 48’ outside turn radius)

Service vehicles are not allowed to: back onto public roadways, turn while backing, back up more than 70’

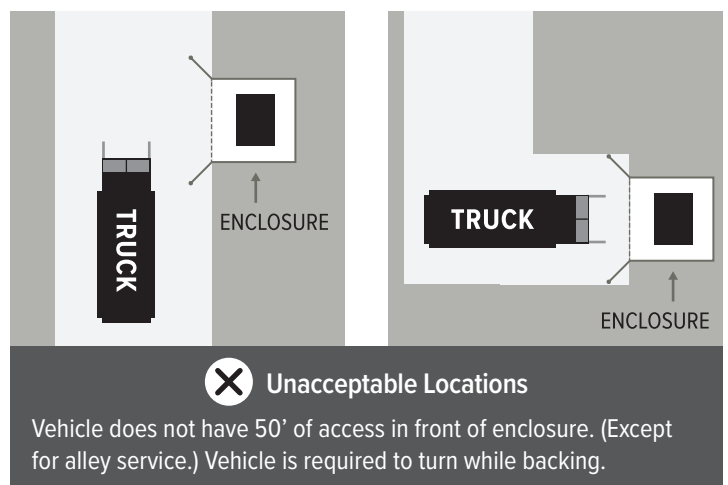
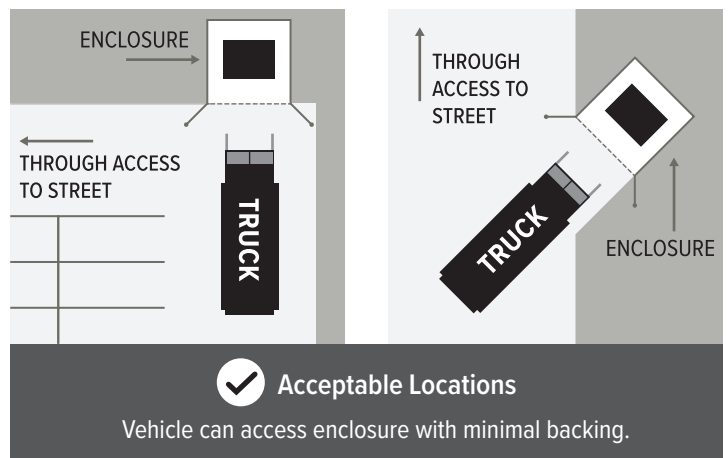
When forward access onto a public roadway is not provided, a cul-de-sac or hammerhead turn around with minimum dimensions outlined in the Solid Waste Design Standards must be made available. In select situations, carry-out service for individual 95-gallon carts may be permitted.

Enclosure design and placement for projects with external enclosures:

- Meet enclosure size requirements based on the number and size of containers to be stored; enclosure width is measured as the distance between gate posts, not the exterior dimensions of the enclosure.
- Enclosures must be located and configured so there is at least 50’ of unobstructed access in front of the enclosure gates as measured from the center of the enclosure gates, extending to the width of the enclosure gates.

Residential subdivisions that use residential cart service:

- A minimum of 15’ of curb space per unit for placing carts at the curb for collection is required.
- Lots not accessible to collection vehicles (flag lots, lots on dead-end streets and lots with private or shared driveways) must stage carts at the street for collection or pay for solid waste carry-out or premium solid waste carry-out service.
- HOA documentation must include requirements for solid waste carry-out service so customers are aware of additional costs.



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