

Clean wood recycling

Rules are in place to encourage residents and businesses in Metro Vancouver to recycle clean wood.

Surcharges are applied to loads of garbage containing over 5% clean wood at regional disposal facilities.

What is clean wood?

- Solid wood, lumber and pallets that are unpainted, unstained, untreated and free of glue
- Wood must be separated from other construction materials (drywall, plastics, concrete) prior to recycling
- Clean wood pierced with nails, screws or staples is accepted for recycling

Why recycle clean wood?

Clean wood can be used for landscaping mulch, composting or alternative industrial fuels. Some clean wood can also be reused in construction.

There is also a cost savings to you – the disposal fee for clean wood is much less than the fee for garbage.

All Metro Vancouver and City of Vancouver disposal facilities accept clean wood.

Visit metrovancouver.org and search 'recycling and waste centres' for locations, hours and more information.

For more information on clean wood disposal

Call the Recycling Hotline at 604-681-5600

Visit metrovancouver.org and search 'clean wood'

Together we can achieve Metro Vancouver's goal of an 80% recycling rate.

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