

# Talk No. 16 – Managing waste on site

## Reason for Talk

Waste costs money- That could be your job!!.

## Main Points

### General

- ◆ Consider how you are going to separate waste where applicable, such as using different skips, etc.
- ◆ Ensure nails etc, are removed from wood or hammered flat to avoid puncture wounds to other persons.
- ◆ Consider how waste is going to be lowered to ground level from height. It should never be thrown down! Consider hoists, waste chutes, etc.
- ◆ If lightweight waste is produced, it may need to be bagged and tied to prevent the wind blowing it all over the site.
- ◆ If skips are to be placed on roads, then permission is required and it must be suitably cordoned off to protect the public and vehicles.
- ◆ Never overload skips – they should not be loaded higher than the sides.
- ◆ Beware of accumulating flammable waste and thus creating a serious fire risk.
- ◆ Never burn or bury waste on site.
- ◆ Dispose of any foodstuffs carefully to avoid attracting vermin and the risk of disease such as Weil's disease.
- ◆ Inspect your waste! Can it be reduced? Can any of it be reused? Is any of it recyclable?

### On Site Safety

*The presenter should outline / reiterate the site specific requirements of this particular site with regard to;*

- ◆ Suitable waste locations must be established, and these must be segregated where applicable (controlled and special waste, etc).
- ◆ A formal waste management system should be implemented, i.e. spending the last 15 minutes of each day, or last hour of each Friday, cleaning up the site.
- ◆ Waste should only be removed from site by those in possession of a valid waste carriers licence, and should only be handed over to those with a valid waste managers licence.

## Questions

Presenter should request any questions from the audience

### MAIN POINT FROM THIS SESSION

**DO NOT WASTE YOUR JOB**



