This document provides guidance on completion of the Landfill Solid Waste Tonnage Report and Fee Calculation form.

**Introduction**

The owner or operator of each landfill in Kansas is required to pay the solid waste tonnage fee as specified in K.S.A. 65-3415b and provide periodic reports to the Bureau of Waste Management (BWM) regarding the tons of waste disposed of in the landfill as specified in K.A.R. 28-29-23.

**Where do I find the report?**

The Landfills Report Form can be found on the Solid Waste Tonnage Reporting page of the BWM website.

**How frequently should I send a report?**

Reports for most landfills must be turned in quarterly, although reports may be submitted monthly if that is more convenient for the landfill. Municipal solid waste (MSW) landfills disposing of 50,000 tons or more annually must file reports monthly. Please contact BWM if you wish to change your reporting frequency.

**When are the reports due?**

The reports are due by the last day of the month following the end of the reporting period. Landfill operators are allowed a two-week grace-period before being charged a late fee.

**What should I include in the report?**

You must report all solid waste that has been placed in the landfill during the reporting period. Do not use the Landfill form to report waste that is not placed in the landfill (e.g., waste that is transferred, composted, or sent off-site to be recycled).

If your facility has a burn permit, the amount of wood waste that is burned should not be reported on the Landfill form, but you must report the ash that is placed in the landfill.

There are two sections on the front side of the report form. The top section is for waste that is exempt from the tonnage fee. The lower section is for wastes subject to the solid waste tonnage fee imposed by KSA 65-3415b.

**Which waste is exempt from the tonnage fee?**

A solid waste tonnage fee of $1.00 is imposed for each ton of solid waste placed in the landfill, unless the waste is exempt under KSA 65-3415b. The following wastes are exempt from the tonnage fee and should be reported in the top section of the form:

1) Waste tires.
2) Sludge from public drinking water supply treatment plants, if placed in a monofill.
3) Clean rubble (unless mixed with other C&D waste).
4) Vegetation from land clearing and grubbing, utility maintenance, and seasonal or storm-related cleanup. Note: yard waste is not exempt.
5) C&D waste generated by a government entity in Kansas, or anyone acting on the government’s behalf in Kansas.
6) Industrial waste disposed of at a solid waste disposal area which is permitted by the Secretary, owned or operated by or for the industrial facility generating the waste, and used only for industrial waste generated by the industrial facility.
7) Disaster waste (if a waiver has been approved by the department)

The facility must not charge the customer the tonnage fee for any waste that the facility claims is exempt from the tonnage fee.

**Which is the right category for the waste?**

Refer to the following descriptions to determine how to report the waste:

**C&D**: Construction and demolition waste is:
1) Solid waste resulting from the construction, remodeling, repair and demolition of structures, roads, sidewalks and utilities;
2) Untreated wood and untreated sawdust from any source;
3) Small amounts of MSW generated by the consumption of food and drinks at C&D sites;
4) Furniture and appliances from which CFCs have been removed;
5) Motor vehicle window glass; and
6) Vegetation from land clearing and grubbing, utility maintenance, and seasonal or storm-related cleanup.

**NOTE**: C&D waste does not include material containing friable asbestos, garbage, electrical equipment containing hazardous materials, appliances from which CFCs have not been removed, tires, drums and containers even though the wastes resulted from C&D activities.

**Industrial**: Industrial waste is solid waste resulting from manufacturing, commercial and industrial processes which is not suitable for discharge to a sanitary sewer or treatment in a community sewage treatment plant or is not beneficially used in a manner that meets the definition of recyclables.

**Tires**: Waste tires are tires that have been removed from a vehicle or aircraft following a period of use and are no longer suitable for their original intended purpose because of wear, damage or defect.

**Special**: Special waste is solid waste that because of physical, chemical, or biological characteristics, requires special management standards due to concerns for owner or operator safety regarding handling, management, or disposal. The generator of the special waste must obtain a special waste disposal authorization from BWM prior to disposal.

Waste that would otherwise fit into another category, for example industrial waste, should be reported as Special Waste if a special waste disposal authorization was required.

**Disaster**: Disaster waste is mixed solid wastes that has been generated in response to a major natural disaster.
**MSW:** Municipal solid waste includes residential waste, commercial waste, and institutional waste. White goods, such as large household appliances, water heaters, microwave ovens, dehumidifiers, trash compactors, and air conditioners are considered MSW and may be disposed of in MSW landfills. (Note: All CFC-containing appliances must have CFC’s removed before disposal.) Suggested alternatives to disposal are repair, resale, or recycling.

**How do I record imports?**
Under the column heading “Source of Waste” indicate which state the waste was imported from on the line next to “Other.” Solid waste received from a state other than Kansas will be reported as an import by both the transfer station (if the waste comes through a transfer station) and by the final disposal facility. The transfer station must report the amount of waste that was received from each state to the disposal facility.

**Do I report alternative daily cover?**
Alternative materials approved for use as daily cover are subject to the same reporting and fee regulations as if they were being disposed of as normal waste. Material that would be exempt from the tonnage fee if it were not used as cover is still exempt. You do not have to pay the tonnage fee on a product which is manufactured to be used as cover material, e.g. a spray-on coating.

**Where do I go for more information?**
The information in this guidance document is based on the following statutes and regulations: [KSA 65-3402](https://www.kdhe.ks.gov/660/Statutes-Regulations), [KSA 65-3415b](https://ksrevisor.ksrevisor.org), [KAR 28-29-3](https://sos.kansas.gov), and [KAR 28-29-85](https://sos.kansas.gov).

- Unofficial copies of these statutes and regulations can be downloaded from the BWM website at www.kdhe.ks.gov/660/Statutes-Regulations.
- Official copies of Kansas regulations are available on the Kansas Secretary of State website at sos.kansas.gov.
- Official copies of Kansas statutes are available on the Kansas Legislature website at ksrevisor.org.

Please call the Bureau of Waste Management at (785) 296-1600 or email KDHE.BWMtonnage@ks.gov with any questions you may have.

For additional information regarding proper management of solid or hazardous waste in Kansas, you may contact the Bureau of Waste Management at (785) 296-1600 or the address at the top of this document, or visit the Bureau’s website at [www.kdhe.ks.gov/Waste](https://www.kdhe.ks.gov/Waste).