



MONROE COUNTY SOLID WASTE FULL MATTRESS LOAD PROCEDURE

HISTORY

Monroe County acknowledges that mattresses are part of the normal waste stream and can be managed in the landfill without causing environmental problems, however, mattresses provide compaction challenges and handling problems for landfill equipment. Until recently, no other alternatives for dealing with problematic mattress disposal were available to the customer.

PROCEDURAL CHANGE

Effective February 15, 2016, it has been adopted as official procedure of the Monroe County Landfill with Solid Waste Board approval, to not accept full loads of mattresses. Within the past year, local options are available for recycling or processing of mattresses, such as Runde Recycling of Tomah and Seven Rivers Recycling of Onalaska, WI. Both businesses handle full loads of mattresses.

HOUSEHOLD QUANTITY DISPOSALS ALLOWED

With recyclers available to institutional and government multi-bed facilities, Monroe County has adopted a household quantity only procedure and will no longer accept full loads of mattresses. Box springs do not cause any of these landfill issues, and should not be confused with the mattress procedure.

This Mattress Procedure will remain in place until the Monroe County Landfill creates an on-site mattress solution to the above problems.

