



## Ohio Administrative Code Rule 3745-550-700 Closure.

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(A) The owner or operator of a facility shall perform closure as specified in this rule if any of the following occur:

(1) The facility ceases solid waste acceptance.

(2) A facility license held by the owner or operator of the facility expires and no license renewal has been applied for in the manner prescribed in Chapter 3745-501 of the Administrative Code.

(3) A facility license held by the owner or operator of the facility expires and a license renewal has been applied for and denied as a final action of the licensing authority.

(4) The facility license has been revoked as a final action of the director.

(5) Detail plans, specifications, and information submitted as specified in division (A)(3) of section 3734.05 of the Revised Code are disapproved, and all remedies for such disapproval have either been exhausted or waived by failure to pursue such remedies in a timely manner.

(B) If the owner or operator ceases to accept waste pursuant to paragraph (A)(1) of this rule, the owner or operator shall complete the following:

(1) Not later than ninety days prior to the anticipated date on which solid waste will cease to be accepted, send a notice via certified mail or any other form of mail accompanied by a receipt to the board of health having jurisdiction, the single or joint county solid waste planning district in which the facility is located, and the director identifying the anticipated date on which the facility will cease solid waste acceptance.

(2) Concurrent with the notice submitted in accordance with paragraph (B)(1) of this rule, post a sign that is easily visible from all access roads leading onto the facility stating, in letters not less than



three inches high, that the facility will no longer accept solid waste with the anticipated date.

(3) Not later than thirty days prior to the anticipated date on which the facility will cease solid waste acceptance, send a notice via certified mail or any other form of mail accompanied by a receipt to the director detailing any changes to the facility's closure contact person.

(C) Not later than sixty days after the facility has ceased solid waste acceptance, the owner or operator shall do the following:

(1) Remove all waste from the facility.

(2) Post signs, in a manner as to be easily visible at all access points into the facility, stating in letters not less than three inches high that the facility is closed. The owner or operator shall ensure that the signs are maintained in legible condition for not less than six months and read as follows:

"This facility is closed for solid waste activities. Depositing wastes at this facility constitutes open dumping, which is a violation of Chapter 3734. of the Ohio Revised Code."

(3) Thoroughly clean all waste handling areas and equipment as follows:

(a) Implement procedures that substantially reduce or eliminate any remaining constituents or contaminants derived from contact with waste in all containers, equipment, machines, floors, and facility surfaces that will not be removed during cleaning and that were in contact with wastes at any time during the operation of the facility.

(b) Flush the leachate collection system of all materials derived from or that have contacted wastes.

(4) Modify, remove, or seal the leachate collection system to prevent filling or overflow of the leachate conveyance and storage structures or to prevent discharges from the system to waters of the state, unless such discharges are otherwise authorized in accordance with Chapter 6111. of the Revised Code. All leachate remaining on the site shall be removed and disposed.

(5) Bait the facility for rodents and other vectors.



(D) Not later than thirty days after completion of the requirements contained in paragraph (C) of this rule, the owner or operator shall certify to the licensing authority that the facility has been thoroughly cleaned and closed.

(E) The director or the board of health may enter a closed facility at any reasonable time for the purpose of determining compliance with this rule.