



All Compactors within the City of Las Cruces city limits must be serviced (emptied) by Las Cruces Utilities Solid Waste Section.

Compactors will be serviced (emptied) by Utilities Solid Waste Section either “on call” or through regularly scheduled service. The cost is \$170.00 per pull to empty and return, PLUS current per ton fee (based on current South Central Solid Waste Authority prices).

Compactors will be serviced at least once a month. Service will normally be provided the following day after a request is received by Solid Waste/Customer Central at (575) 541-2111. Please plan for delays if you are working through a home office and or a broker for service.

The City does not provide or maintain compactors; the customer must purchase or rent the compactor from a private company and make arrangements with that company for installation and maintenance of the compactor.

It is the customer’s responsibility to keep the area around the compactor clean and free of debris or liquids.

A “wet” compactor should be supplied anytime food or liquids will be disposed of by the customer. Compactors should never leak fluids.

Employees should be trained not to “over-fill” a compactor and to report to Utilities Solid Waste Section when it is full so it can be emptied. Employees should also report to the company that maintains the compactor, if they notice any malfunctions or damage to the compactor.

Large items that may block the operation of the compactor or that can get wedged and block the disposal/dumping operation (such as bed frames, long pieces of wood, etc.) should NOT be placed in the compactor.

All compactors should be properly adjusted to compaction pressure (by your maintenance company) and should be emptied before they reach 10 tons of total net weight of trash. At no time should a compactor have over 12 tons of net trash.

Violations of this maximum tonnage rule will result in customers being provided with “Open Tops” for service, until a maintenance of the compactor can take place. A maintenance adjustment certification/invoice along with proof that proper training of personnel has taken place may be required to be shown to the City prior to the compactor being serviced.

For more information call (575) 541-2111.

