



Cleanups and Refuse Safety Guide

- Always wear gloves (latex, work gloves, or cotton gloves).
- Wear good walking shoes and dress for the weather.
- Remember to stay hydrated.
- Make sure to wear bright colored clothing or a safety vest to be visible by traffic.
- Please follow any health or social distancing advisories that may be in effect.
- When on a roadway, make sure to face oncoming traffic when on the street and look up often to monitor approaching vehicles. If you are in a group, designate someone to be a lookout or set up safety cones.
- Be cautious of your surroundings and watch out for wild animals. Please do not approach wild animals.
- Provide proper adult supervision for children at all times. We **do not** recommend young children participate near or on the street.
- Make sure not to overfill or compact bags. Injuries from jagged or broken items may occur.
- Do not swing trash bags back and forth or hold close to the body to prevent injury
- Use a stick or utensil to look through bushes or tall grass. Never just reach your hand in, in case of sharp objects.
- Do not drag bags on the ground; they will break.
- Place any sharps (needles) or broken glass inside designated containers and seal completely.
- Never raise a trash picker stick above knee-height.
- Thoroughly wash or sanitize hands after disposing of trash and gloves.
- Alert a Team Leader if you are not sure about whether or not you should pick up an object

