

MSW FACILITY: FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: DOES THE MSW MATERIALS RECOVERY FACILITY (MRF) OPERATE 24/7?

A: The MRF is permitted to operate twenty-four (24) hours per day, seven (7) days per week. However, it is typically open from 4:00am – 9:00pm Monday through Friday, 5:00am – 5:00pm on Saturday, and on an as-needed basis for maintenance on Sunday.

Q: HOW MANY EMPLOYEES WORK IN THE FACILITY?

A: Approximately 150 employees work at the MRF, including sorters, scale house and equipment operators, machinists and safety staff.

Q: WHAT PROTOCOLS ARE IN PLACE TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF THE SORTERS?

A: GreenWaste enforces an established Health and Safety Program to ensure all workers operate in safe working environments. Sorters wear safety gloves that have three layers to protect from sharp objects, and they wear goggles and masks. The facility is well lit, well ventilated, and readily accommodates easy access for maintenance and housekeeping.

Q: DO YOU SEE HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE (HHW) IN THE FACILITY?
WHAT IS THE PROTOCOL FOR HHW FOUND IN THE FACILITY?

A: Yes, occasionally some HHW ends up in the facility. Red Hazardous Waste bins are located throughout the facility for proper and safe disposal.

Q: WHY DO WE NEED TO SORT OUR WASTE AT ALL OF IT CAN ALL BE PROCESSED HERE?

A: By sorting materials into the Blue Cart and the Green Cart, you are creating clean, pure streams of Recyclables Materials and Yard Trimmings. While we successfully recover recyclables and organics from the Mixed Compostables stream, the quality of the recovered materials is different than that of the clean, pure streams.

