

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) Identification Stickers for Recycling Facility Customers

1. What is the purpose of the identification sticker?

At each Recycling Center entrance, and at the Millersville Landfill Scalehouse, staff check each arriving customer's identification to ensure that the solid waste being delivered originated within Anne Arundel County and that the customer fits the "No Charge" category as described by local law¹.

After checking customer identification, normally a driver's license and vehicle registration, staff may offer to place an identification sticker on the vehicle's driver side window to streamline the customer identification process on future visits.

2. How does the County determine if a customer fits the "No charge" category?

A customer is admitted with "No charge" only if the answer to all of the following questions is NO²:

- Does the customer have a Landfill Credit Agreement with Anne Arundel County?
- Is the customer a Federal, State or Local government agency or department?
- Is the customer's vehicle registered to a business?
- Does the customer's vehicle have commercial markings or logos?
- Does the customer's vehicle display U.S. DOT identification numbers?
- Is the customer's vehicle a dump truck, flatbed truck, stake body truck, box truck, rental truck, rental trailer, or double axle trailer?

IMPORTANT!! Only customers in the "No charge" may be admitted to the Recycling Centers. Customers subject to charges must use the Millersville Landfill and Resource Recovery Facility in Severn, MD, where charges are based on weight recorded at the scalehouse and payments are collected in the form of cash, check, or electronic means.

¹ Reference County Code § 13-4-107. County owned or operated landfills and solid waste disposal facilities, (c) Requirements and prohibitions, **a person may not dispose of solid waste that originates or is generated outside of the County.**

² Reference County Code § 13-4-107. County owned or operated landfills and solid waste disposal facilities, (d) Charges. **Each person delivering solid waste shall pay the charges set forth in the chart in this subsection.**

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3. What forms of identification are required for a customer to receive an identification sticker?

Staff will ask for a driver's license and vehicle registration upon a customer's arrival. Information on the drivers license and vehicle registration, including name and address, must match in order to receive an identification sticker.

IMPORTANT!! If a customer cannot or will not provide an Anne Arundel County driver's license, other acceptable forms of identification for entry include a rental or lease agreement for a residence within Anne Arundel County, or recent property tax or utility bill showing an address within Anne Arundel County. However, an identification sticker will not be issued.

4. Why did you stop giving out identification stickers?

We stopped issuing identification stickers in 2021 to better ensure compliance with facility use requirements based on local law. We identified hundreds of customers that had once shown proper credentials and received a sticker, but no longer met the requirements to use our facilities (see questions 1 and 2, above). We found other cases where our stickers had been replicated to allow non-residents to gain admission to our facilities.

5. Why did you resume giving out identification stickers?

The identification sticker program does help streamline the movement of customers through our facilities in a safe and efficient manner, thereby improving the customer's experience at our facilities. We must balance this with our duty to enforce local laws.

6. I have an old style identification sticker, will it still work to gain entry to a Recycling Centers or Landfill?

No. All older stickers will be replaced with new stickers after the customer's identification is verified. New stickers are custom made, numbered, and color-coded by the issuing facility. They will be replaced at programmed intervals.

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7. How do I obtain an identification sticker for my vehicle?

Identification stickers can be obtained at any of our Recycling Centers or at the Millersville Landfill. Our facility entrance attendant will offer stickers to customers after their identification is verified. Identification stickers may not be available during peak times to avoid traffic backups at the entrances. Check Know Before You Go to see the line of vehicles waiting to enter each Waste Management Services facility.

8. How often do the identification stickers need to be replaced?

Under our plan, new Identification stickers will be issued approximately every two years at which time the customer's identification will be reconfirmed.

9. Are the identification stickers good for all the Recycling Centers and Millersville Landfill or do I need a specific one for each location?

Under our plan, a customer will not need separate stickers for each location. Any identification sticker will allow access to the County's three Recycling Centers and the Millersville Landfill.

10. If I have an identification sticker do I need to show my license and vehicle registration?

Facility staff will randomly perform identification checks for all customers, including customers that have identification stickers on their vehicles. Please have your driver's license and registration (or other form of ID) available when using our facilities.

11. Where should the identification sticker be affixed to my vehicle?

Our staff will affix the identification sticker to the bottom corner of the driver's side windshield after the customer's identification is confirmed and after the customer gives permission to place an identification sticker on the vehicle.

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12. Can I use the same identification sticker for multiple vehicles?

No. Customers will need to obtain a sticker for each vehicle. Facility staff will not provide a sticker for the customer to transport between vehicles.

13. What do I do with the identification sticker if I sell the vehicle?

Please remove and destroy the sticker prior to selling the vehicle. If the new owner qualifies for a sticker, the new owner can obtain one at any of the County's three recycling centers and the Millersville Landfill after their identification is verified.

14. What do I do with the identification sticker if I move out of Anne Arundel County?

Please remove and destroy the sticker if you are no longer an Anne Arundel County resident. Other counties, and Baltimore City, offer drop-off facilities for their residents.

15. Will I be issued another identification sticker if I get my windshield replaced?

You can obtain a new sticker at any of the County's three Recycling Centers and the Millersville Landfill after your identification is verified.

16. Will my personal information be at risk if I receive an identification sticker?

No. The staff that checks your identification and issues the sticker will not record any personal information.

17. I'm in the military. Can I get an identification sticker on a car with out of state license tags using my military identification?

No. Members of the military are welcome to use our three Recycling Centers and the Millersville Landfill while residing in Anne Arundel County, but we will only issue identification stickers for vehicles with local registrations.

18. May I get a sticker if I own property in Anne Arundel County, but my vehicles are not registered in Anne Arundel County?

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No. We will only issue stickers on cars with local registration, but you can use our facilities if you reside in Anne Arundel County.

19. May I receive an identification sticker for a vehicle that I lease?

Yes. The vehicle registration certificate must include the leasing company's name along with the "in care of" symbol (%) and lessee's name and address. We will only issue stickers for vehicles with local registration. When the leased vehicle is returned, the sticker should be removed.

20. Will the identification sticker provide access to the County's Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) drop-off events?

No. All HHW event participants must provide identification upon arrival to ensure that the HHW being delivered originated within Anne Arundel County and that the participant fits the "No-Charge" category as described by local law³

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