

Volunteer Safety Guidelines for Litter Pick Up Events

STAYING SAFE IS THE MOST IMPORTANT THING YOU WILL DO

WHAT TO WEAR:

- ✓ Safety vest (provided)
- ✓ Gloves (provided)
- ✓ Fluorescent orange "Clean Kitsap" hat (provided)
- ✓ Dress in light colored clothing including long pants and long-sleeved shirt
- ✓ Wear boots or hard-soled shoes

ON THE ROAD:

- ✓ Face oncoming traffic
- ✓ Keep guardrails between you and the road
 - When this is not possible due to unsafe terrain, walk single-file against guardrail
- ✓ Cross driving lanes carefully and only when necessary
- ✓ **Do not collect litter from driving lanes**
- ✓ **Do not collect litter from construction sites**
- ✓ **Avoid deep ditches, holes, and steep slopes**
- ✓ **Avoid extremely narrow shoulders**

WHAT TO DO:

- ✓ Sign in and out
- ✓ Pick up litter, plastic bottles, cans, and unbroken glass
- ✓ Tie off bags when full
- ✓ Pile bagged litter at designated locations or safely at location where bag became full
- ✓ **Do not compact, squeeze, or overfill bags**
- ✓ **Do not wear headsets or talk on cell phones**
- ✓ **Do not horse around or distract drivers**
- ✓ **Do not participate if under the influence of alcohol or drugs**

DO NOT PICK UP:

- ✓ **Hazardous Materials (Chemicals, paint, propane tanks, batteries)**
- ✓ **Dead animals, syringes, broken glass, or other sharp objects**
- ✓ **Heavy objects (tires, furniture, appliances)**
- ✓ **Report the location of these items to your team leader or Kitsap 1 at 360.337.5777**

PROTECT YOURSELF

- ✓ Be alert for stinging insects and noxious weeds
- ✓ Provide water for yourself
- ✓ Avoid overexertion
- ✓ Pick up litter only in daylight hours
- ✓ Discontinue work in inclement weather
- ✓ Give team leader contact information for your emergency contact
- ✓ Let team leader know what actions to take for specific health or emergency needs