• ROLL OFF DUMPSTERS •

Frequently Asked Questions

QUESTION #1: **Where may I put a roll off dumpster on my property?**

ANSWER: *A dumpster must be placed on a hard surface, such as a driveway or patio. It may not be placed within a public right-of-way. Generally, this means the dumpster must be placed at least 15 feet behind the curb.*

QUESTION #2: **Where do I park my car if a dumpster is in my driveway and temporarily limits access to my garage?**

ANSWER: *If proper placement of a dumpster on your property temporarily interferes with access to your driveway or garage, you may request a parking permit from Crystal Police that will allow the temporary parking of vehicles on the street for a defined period. To apply for a temporary parking permit, you must appear in person at the Police Department and provide the license number(s) of all vehicle(s) to be parked on the street. Be prepared to provide the dates for which you will need the permit.*

QUESTION #3: **May I put a dumpster on the street or within a public right-of-way?**

ANSWER: *No. However, if you can demonstrate that there are physical constraints on the property that make it infeasible to place the dumpster in its proper location on your property, you may request a temporary "Obstruction Permit" from the Public Works Director. Upon issuance, the permit will allow for the placement of a dumpster within a city right-of-way for a defined period of time and subject to certain limitations and standards*. Application must be made in person at City Hall.*

QUESTION #4: **How do I report a roll off dumpster that is placed within a public right-of-way for which an obstruction permit was not issued?**

ANSWER: *Contact the city Street Superintendent at 763-531-1164, and he will contact the property owner and/or refuse company to ensure its immediate removal from the city right-of-way. When city offices are closed, contact the Crystal Police by calling 9-1-1, and they will take similar steps to have it removed.*

***Limitations and standards:** The permit must be secured to the obstruction for the duration of the permit period and in such a manner as to be clearly visible from the street. The permit is valid only for the dates for which it was issued. The permit authorizes the temporary placement of obstructions within city rights-of-way and does not authorize obstructions on county or state roads. The permit allows the placement of an obstruction within the public right-of-way only where signs or parking regulations do not restrict or prohibit motor vehicle parking. The obstruction may not be placed closer than 25 feet to an intersection and must have reflective material on the end and side to alert drivers. Reflective barricades may be used in lieu of reflective material attached to the obstruction. The permit holder will be held responsible for any damage to the street or curb resulting from placement of the obstruction. At least one side of the dumpster must clearly indicate the company name and contact phone number. This permit is not valid in the event of a snowfall in excess of 1-1/2 inches.*