



Advice for customers of Shire Oak Landfill.

As a permitted Inert Landfill, Shire Oak is licensed to accept only Inert Wastes and this must be verified by testing where appropriate **before** it can be accepted.

The results of site investigation reports are useful as a guide to what category any material coming off the site might contain but the only current acceptable test is a leaching test, commonly referred to as a “WAC test”.

This test reproduces the effect of water leaching out any contaminants within the waste and depending on the results, will classify the waste type as “Inert”, “Stable Non-Reactive” or “Hazardous”. We can only accept “Inert” to Shire Oak.

Any waste that arrives at site that has not been pre-approved through the WAC testing procedures cannot be accepted. Once testing has been completed we will then require a “Waste Characterisation Form” to be completed. This confirms details of the source of the waste and its classification based on the WAC test. It also forms part of the “Duty of Care” procedures that we must all comply with when creating or handling any type of waste.

Most waste will comprise of soils and stones which has a European Waste Code (EWC) of 170504. but the main constituent of the waste must be accurately described and must appear on the “Waste Transfer Note” (WTN) that accompanies the load. For large muck shift jobs, a single WTN may suffice.

Please note that we cannot accept loads that principally consist of Topsoil as this is very rarely “inert”.

Finally, we can only accept waste that has been brought to site by a Licensed Waste Carrier and we will need to see evidence of this before the waste can be accepted.

We hope this clarifies what we need before we can accept your waste but if you have any further queries, please contact us immediately on 01922 475055 and certainly before you bring anything you are not sure about to site!