

<p>Legal requirement</p>	<p>Waste is avoided or measures are in place to reduce the amount of waste generated, and to ensure that waste is re-used, recycled and recovered in an environmentally sound manner before being safely treated and disposed of.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small waste disposal sites that are exempted from the need to be registered comply with conditions of the exemption • Steps should be taken to avoid visible littering 	<p>Waste disposal</p> <p>In terms of the National Environmental Management Waste Act, waste is defined as any substance, material or object, that is unwanted, rejected, abandoned, discarded or disposed of, or that is intended or required to be discarded or disposed of, by the holder of that substance, material or object, whether or not such substance, material or object can be re-used, recycled or recovered.</p> <p>Waste that does not pose an immediate threat to human life or the environment (i.e. household waste, garden waste, dry industrial and commercial waste) is classified as general waste</p> <p>Waste management activities, may only take place in terms of a waste management licence or in accordance with the relevant norms and standards published under the Waste Act. Waste management activities include activities, above specified thresholds, relating to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • storage • recycling or recovery • disposal <p>The waste activities which may be relevant to farmers and the farming context include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the disposal of inert waste to land of more than 25 tons, unless the waste is disposed of for the purposes of levelling and building which has been authorised by or under other legislation; • the disposal of general waste to land covering an area of more than 50 m²; and • The disposal of hazardous waste to land. <p>Any person who stores waste must take steps to ensure that the containers in which any waste is stored, are intact and not corroded or in any other way rendered unfit for the safe storage of waste, adequate measures are taken to prevent accidental spillage or leaking, the waste cannot be blown away, nuisances such as odour, visual impacts and breeding of vectors do not arise and that pollution of the environment and harm to health are prevented.</p>
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