



TRASH COMPACTORS

can be an extremely hazardous pieces of equipment. They utilize tremendous force to compact large amounts of refuse into manageable cubes. The University owns a trash compactor housed in the Hatfield-Dowlin Complex’s dock adjacent to Autzen stadium. Complete training before use and follow all best safety practices when operating the compactor.



DURING USE:

- Obtain the key from your supervisor.
- Follow all of the manufacturer’s guidelines and decal warnings.
- Wear work gloves and follow the dress code: no loose clothing or jewelry, hair pulled back, and substantial footwear with solid upper material.
- Never reach into the machine! Contact your supervisor if a jam occurs or objects are lost.
- To **OPERATE**:
 1. Insert the key into the key switch (PACK position). Turn it [clockwise] to the LOAD position. The compactor ram will retract to the top position and stop. The LOAD light will then come on.
 2. Open the feed door and place the material to be discarded into the compactor.
 3. Close the feed door and turn the key to the PACK position. The ram will cycle down and compact the refuse. The ram will return to the mid position and stop.
 4. Repeat steps [1-3], if necessary, after the compactor has stopped.
 5. When you have finished using the compactor, remove the key from the key switch.
- To **EMPTY**:
 1. Unlatch and completely open container gate.
 2. Remove and empty container.
 3. Insert emptied container completely under the compactor head.
 4. Close container gate and latch completely.

WHAT TO DO!

- For more information ask your supervisor for the written trash compactor SOP.
- Recognize and report malfunctions and potential hazards to your supervisor immediately!
- Bring additional questions to your supervisor.
- In an emergency, press the **STOP** button and call **911** then **UOPD** (541-346-2919)!

