

Activity 135 Youth Litter Patrol

Description

Activity 135 involves picking up litter under the Youth Litter Patrol or Adopt-A-Highway programs including:

- Any recycling work done by those forces.
- The cost of gathering and disposing of the accumulated material, including work done by ODOT.
- The cost of all supplies furnished for this work.

General Instructions

The Youth Litter Patrol program involves youth in the clean up of litter along state highways. "Litter Patrol" crews pick up and bag litter discarded along state highways. Clean up efforts are primarily conducted during the summer but may also occur during spring and Christmas school vacation periods, as necessary. Additional clean up may occur during other times of the year, either periodically or on a year-round basis, as funding allows.

The District Manager or Transportation Maintenance Manager hires Litter Patrol workers according standard ODOT hiring practices and the *Youth Litter Patrol Program Guidelines*.

The Adopt-A-Highway program involves volunteers in the clean up of litter along state highways. The District Manager must issue a Permit to the interested party. See further discussion in the Use of ODOT Property by Permit section of this Guide.

The permit should define when the interested party should pick up the litter on the assigned section of highway. When the party picks up the litter, it should notify the Transportation Maintenance Manager to schedule the bags to be picked up, including any potentially hazardous material that it has marked for collection.

For additional information or guidance on the Adopt-A-Highway program, refer to the Use of ODOT Property by Permit section of this Guide or contact the Utility and Miscellaneous Permits Specialist in the Office of Maintenance and Operations.

For work under this activity, the Transportation Maintenance Manager should assure that the responsible persons:

- Receive appropriate safety training. Also refer to the ODOT *Safety and Health Manual Advisory ADV02001* for guidance and advice on picking up and handling litter.
- Have adequate supplies for the work.
- Know the procedure to deal with potentially hazardous material.
- Use appropriate traffic control or signing while picking up the litter.
- Are picking up the litter at appropriate times and intervals.

Use Activity 134 for general litter and debris removal including litter clean up by adult and juvenile correction crews.

Use Activity 139 for recycling work involved with litter, other than that done under Activity 135.

Use Activity 164 for clean up of transient camps.

Where appropriate, separate litter items that are recyclable and handle accordingly. Refer to ODOT *Procedure ADM 06-13* for instruction on returnable beverage containers.

Equipment

Equipment may include:

- For Youth Litter Patrol, a vehicle to transport workers, gloves, litter tongs, and hazardous material disposal devices.
- Truck to gather and haul litter.

Material

Material may include:

- Traffic control and/or identification devices.
- Safety vests.
- Litter bags.
- Hazmat warning devices (flag or similar).

Work Method

1. Identify the limits of the highway section where litter will be gathered.
2. Implement appropriate traffic control. Whenever possible, persons gathering litter should move in the direction facing adjacent traffic.
3. Pick up litter. This may involve a "leap frog" process.
4. If hazardous material is encountered, mark its location for later pickup by others.
5. Remove traffic control.
6. Maintenance personnel will gather litter bags and collected debris, collect marked hazardous material, and dispose of gathered material.

Measurement of Accomplishment, Expenditure Account, and Charge Activity

Measurement is number of shoulder miles (kilometers) picked. Expenditure account type is Highway Youth Litter Patrol EA (MXXX43XX). Use a subjob of 000 for Youth Litter Patrol and 600 for Adopt-A-Highway work.

- Charge all work to TEAMS Activity 135.