

Solid Waste Hauler Licensing Frequently Asked Questions

- **Do I operate in Adams County?** [Utilize this map](#) to determine if your company operates in unincorporated Adams County. The boundary of Adams County is indicated and incorporated cities and towns are shaded with different colors. All other areas (areas without color shading) are unincorporated areas.
- **Does this ordinance apply to me?** Ordinance 17 applies to all Solid Waste Haulers operating in unincorporated areas of Adams County. Solid waste includes trash, recyclables, organics, junk, construction & demolition debris, and other bulky materials.
- **Can I collect solid waste in unincorporated Adams County without a license?** No. To collect solid waste in unincorporated Adams County you must have a Solid Waste Hauler License issued by Adams County.
- **Why did the County develop a hauler licensing program?** Adams County developed this program for several reasons, including the desire to provide a level playing field for waste haulers, ensure community health and safety, collect data to track progress towards waste diversion goals, provide expanded access to recycling, and ultimately, to increase waste diversion.
- **How do I obtain a solid waste hauler license?** First, you will need to register for the Adams County Re-TRAC Waste Hauler Licensing and Reporting program and setup your Re-TRAC account. Once registered, you'll be able to access the Waste Hauler Licensing Application form in your Re-TRAC account workspace. Fill in all fields of the licensing application form and save as complete to submit. Adams County receives your application form for review and verification. Upon verification, you'll receive an email notifying you can access your license document from your Re-TRAC account workspace.
- **How will I receive my license?** You will be able to access your license electronically via the Adams County Waste Hauler Licensing and Reporting program system. You can download, save, and/or print the license document from your Re-TRAC account workspace.
- **Is there a fee for obtaining a Solid Waste Hauler License?** Yes, there is a tiered annual fee for Solid Waste Haulers.
 - 1-3 hauling vehicles = \$100*
 - 4-9 hauling vehicles = \$300
 - 10+ hauling vehicles = \$600

*Solid Waste Haulers that are recycle-only or compost-only haulers are capped at the \$100 level even if they operate with more than three vehicles.

- **My company uses a third-party hauler. Do they need to be licensed?** Yes, all businesses involved with the collection of solid waste within unincorporated Adams County are responsible for obtaining a Solid Waste Hauler License.
- **Where can I find a list of solid waste haulers licensed in unincorporated Adams County?** This information will be available and listed on this webpage after July 1, 2024.
- **How do I get licensed?** The Re-TRAC registration form document details the steps for getting licensed. The first step is to register using the Re-TRAC platform. Once registration is complete, an application can be completed. The application includes the submission of a licensing fee and a certificate of insurance.