

A problem that has gained some attention at my dealership is one that deals with our waste and disposal system. There is not a designated area for our recyclable items. Therefore employees tend to pile such things in the parts department, which consequently takes up excess space. We're already experiencing a deficiency of storage space for parts, so with the overflow of recyclables creates a bigger issue. Unfortunately, there are even times when we have to pull one of our delivery drivers from their normal route and assign him/her the duty of taking the recyclables to the recycling facility. I believe that if we were to implement small changes, this issue could be contained.

As previously mentioned, there is a lack of storage space in our shop and the overflow of waste contributes. I do believe that if we went at this issue with a more organized solution this may mitigate storage concerns. Since recycling arrangements do differ by area, we would need to follow protocol. For starters if we separated our recyclables and other disposables into categorized bins, this may prevent the headache and hassle of sorting through it all later and decrease the amount of trips needed to the fuse yard. This could also positively impact waste collection charges, because as we know even saving just a small amount of money at a time is a plus. One of our biggest factors that contribute to our recyclables are boxed packages, so simply flattening boxes immediately after being emptied would save effort. Taking into consideration that we are a corporate dealership, I would select the sizes of the bins accordingly. I estimated the need for three different bins categorized for cardboard boxes, plastics, and rubbish.

The next thing I would do is find an appropriate location for these bins, which ironically enough would be in the parts department. Following we would need to appoint somebody in charge of this regime. This person would be point of contact for questions, scheduling refuse pick-ups/drop-offs, and making sure changes are abided by. I do believe that implementing this organized change would rid our parts department of clutter while improving our refuse disposal system.