



**Keep  
Kern  
Roads  
Clean**

# Bag It, Move It, or Leave It

## Instructions for Handling Roadside Litter

### **BAG IT**

*These items may be placed in a bag:*

1. Small items made of paper, cardboard, plastic, Styrofoam, wood, rubber, glass, or metal provided that the item does not have any sharp edges.
2. Small, empty containers provided that the item does not have sharp edges.

NOTE: Keep Kern Roads Clean participants are encouraged to redeem recyclable items.

### **MOVE IT**

*These items should be placed alongside your stacked bags at the edge of the shoulder:*

1. Items with dull, pointed edges that might tear a bag.
2. Large items that would prevent a bag from being properly tied closed.
3. Heavy items that could tear a bag, provided that the item can be moved without causing physical injury.
4. Containers that are not empty if the contents won't spill when moved and you can identify the product as one that is not hazardous. If you suspect that an item contains urine, do not move it.

NOTE: If in doubt, leave the item alone!

### **LEAVE IT**

*These items should be left where found without taking further action:*

1. Sharp, large, or heavy items that could cause physical injury if moved.
2. Any item in an unsafe location (within six feet of a traffic lane, on unstable ground, etc.) Report these items to the Kern County Roads Department at 862-8850. You may leave a voice message.
3. Place a filled trash bag near any item you are not permitted to bag or move. This ensures that a Kern County Roads crew member will see it and take the necessary steps to dispose of it.
4. Securely closed items containing hazardous substances.\* Report this to the Kern County Roads Department at 862-8850.
5. Any item that you cannot identify and suspect may be hazardous.
6. Unclosed or leaking items containing hazardous substances.
7. Call 911 if you find the following kinds of items.
  - A. Items with hazardous material labels.
  - B. Items that could pose an immediate danger.
  - C. Items that could be crime-scene evidence.

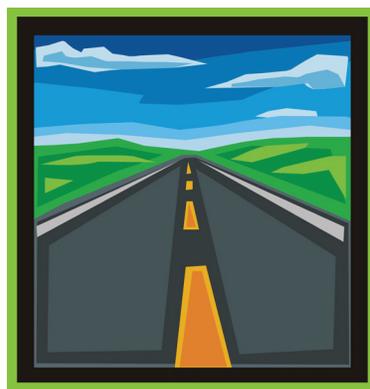
If you do not have a cell phone, then someone other than the group's safety leader, must leave to make the call. Unless advised to leave the area, the safety leader must stay at the site until a Kern County Sheriff or Roads Department representative arrives.

## Items of Concern

ITEM	LEAVE IT	LEAVE IT AND CALL Kern County Roads	LEAVE IT AND CALL 911 **
<b>Miscellaneous Items</b>			
Broken glass	X		
Any item that you cannot identify and suspect may be hazardous		X	
<b>Hazardous Substances</b>			
Spills of liquid or powdery substances			X
Fuels		X if securely contained	X if open or leaking
Motor oils, transmission fluids, petroleum products		X if securely contained	X if open or leaking
Antifreeze		X if securely contained	X if open or leaking
Batteries		X if securely contained	X if open or leaking
Flares		X	
Paints		X if securely contained	X if open or leaking
Aerosol cans (that are not empty)		X	
Human urine, feces, bloody waste (gauze, etc.)		X if securely contained	X if open or leaking
Syringes, labeled medicines (aspirin, prescription drugs, etc.)		X	
Animal carcasses		X	
<b>Extremely Hazardous Items /Possible Crime-Scene Evidence</b>			
Bloody items that may be crime-scene evidence			X
Explosives, possible bombs (capped pipes, wrapped packages, etc.)			X
Weapons (guns, knives, etc.), unspent ammunition			X
Items with hazardous material labels (see examples below)			X
Unlabeled medicines, marijuana, drug paraphernalia			X
Animals that may have been poached			X

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\*\* If you do not have access to a cell phone or call box, then someone other than your group's safety leader, must leave the site to make the call. Then, unless advised to leave the area, the safety leader must stay at the site until a Kern County Sheriff or Roads Department representative arrives. Keep a safe distance away from the item and do not disturb it in any way! Report the incident to Kern County Roads @ 862-8850 as well.



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