

Valley Vertikiller Recycling and Waste Management Plan

Anticipated types of waste during the event:

Bottles & cans - refundable containers: water bottles, pop cans
Food scraps & soiled paper - napkins, paper plates, leftover food
Mixed containers - rigid plastic, paper and plastic cups
Mixed paper - brochures, flyers, menus, posters
Garbage - Styrofoam, soft plastic, foil lined food wrappers

Garbage can, bags and recycling containers will be supplied by: Event organizers

Garbage can and recycling container placement during event:

One garbage can at race start location (Mainland Sand and Gravel Entrance, Cox Road).

Two large garbage cans at race finish location (Lower Parking Lot), near the food vendors.
One recycling container to accommodate bottles & cans will also be located at this location.
There will be one volunteer designated at the lower parking lot to monitor the garbage and recycling containers and replace with fresh bags as required.

Vendors onsite will manage their own garbage.

Each aid station will have garbage bags to accommodate any waste. Main aid station is located at the Eastern Lookout at the top of Sumas Mountain.

This is a cupless event. Participants have been informed to bring their own reusable cup during the event. This will significantly reduce the amount of waste at aid stations. Participants have also been instructed through pre-race communications to “leave no trace” meaning that they must pack out any garbage they produce while on the trails.

Litter management and waste disposal:

Volunteers designated as “trail sweeps” will pick up any outstanding waste along the trail as they see it.

All waste at aid stations will be cleaned up by volunteers and packed out of the location for proper disposal off-site by the event organizer.

All volunteers will be told to pick up any garbage and dispose of it in provided containers or garbage bags. After the event all aid stations and finish line area will be tidied up by volunteers and event organizers. All garbage / recycling will be taken off-site for proper disposal by event organizers.