

MODIFY YOUR TRASH ROLL-CARTS TO RESIST BEARS



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Wildlife have been making their way into residential areas because of lack of food in the wild and ease of getting it out of trash roll-carts. Since garbage stored outside is the biggest attractant, storing garbage in a secure garage or shed until the morning of collection is recommended.



We now have hardware available to make the roll-carts bear resistant. (Locks must be unlatched for collection)

To request Environmental Services install the hardware on your roll-cart. Please email your name, address and phone number to: solidwaste@lacnm.us or call (505) 662-8163

If you would prefer to install the resistant lock yourself, you may pick up the hardware at the Eco Station during normal business hours: Monday - Friday 8:00 am to 4:15 pm, Saturday & Sunday 9:00 am to 4:15 pm

Alternatively, you can create your own bear resistant lock:

Materials Needed:

- 1/16" Steel Cable Wire 12" length
- 3/32" Aluminum Wire Rope Sleeve (for eyelets)
- Double Wire Snap Safety Pin (5/16" D X 2 3/4" L)
- Self-Tapping Screws



Installation Tools Required:

- Power Drill
- 5/16" Drill Bit
- Tape Measure
- Black Permanent Marker

Installation Instructions

1. Secure the bottom eyelet to the roll-cart under the lip with a drill and screw
2. Measure and mark the desired hole location for locking pin on both the roll-cart lid and lip. Holes should be drilled at an angle to ensure the pin remains locked.



3. Drill holes at an angle in both lid and lip



4. Slide pin through hole



5. Secure pin with wire



6. Repeat on other side



7. Remember to unsecure the lid by 8:00 a.m. on trash collection day. Environmental Services trucks will not be able to service locked containers



Please notify NM Department of Game and Fish immediately if you encounter wildlife, or have any questions or concerns. They can be reached at (505) 328-2572, or call dispatch at (505) 827-9376.