

CARCASS DISPOSAL OPTIONS

1) **RENDERING**

2) **LANDFILLS**

See landfill list enclosed.

3) **BURIAL**

The general carcass burial disposal guidelines follow:

a.) Burial of dead livestock requires the construction of a pit.

b.) Do not locate the burial pit closer than one foot (1') vertically above the flood plain, or within two feet (2') of the water table or bedrock.

c.) Do not locate the burial pit within three hundred feet (300') of wells, waters of the state, neighboring residences, public areas, or property lines.

d.) After placing the deads in the trench, cover the deads with a minimum of two and a half feet (2 ½') of topsoil. Inspect burial sites routinely to ensure that wild animals are not digging and dragging deads away.

e.) Also, refer to the Criminal Code of the Oklahoma Statutes (enclosed).

4) **INCINERATION**

Open-air incineration of carcasses is not allowed, unless the animal died of any contagious or infectious disease. Self-contained, closed incinerators and air curtain incinerators are allowed.

5) **COMPOSTING**

Please note that licensed Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations and Registered Poultry Feeding Operations must receive permission from the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry (ODAFF), Agricultural Environmental Management Services (AEMS) Division (405/522-4659) prior to composting or burial (only exception is if AWMP allows for composting).

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