## Waste Hierarchy

Preventing and reducing waste



The "**waste hierarchy**" ranks waste management options according to what is best for the environment.

In its simplest form, the waste hierarchy gives top priority to preventing waste. When waste is created, it gives priority to preparing it for reuse, then recycling, then other recovery, and last of all disposal (i.e. landfill).

It is a legal requirement to comply with the principles of the waste hierarchy.

To comply with the waste hierarchy on site you should:

- take all reasonable steps to prevent waste, where possible;
- where this is not possible, you should reuse materials as a second priority.
- monitor how much waste you are producing
- sort and segregate waste into the skips / containers provided on site
- raise any ideas for reducing waste with the site team



