



# Gravel Pads

Rule 310 § 308.3(a) requires track-out control devices be placed onto paved areas accessible to the public at all exit points if there is to be any material hauling on or off site, OR if the site is two acres or greater.

**Track-out** is defined as dust or material that may adhere to and form into a mass on the surface of motor vehicles, haul trucks and/or equipment (including tires) and such material has fallen or been deposited onto a paved area accessible to the public.



Visual example of track-out

## Gravel Pad Design:

A layer of washed gravel, rock, or crushed rock which is at least one inch or larger in diameter, maintained at the point of intersection of a paved area accessible to the public and a work site exit to dislodge mud, dirt, and/or debris from the tires of motor vehicles and/or haul trucks prior to leaving the work site.

A gravel pad shall consist of one inch to 3 inches rough diameter, clean, well-graded gravel or crushed rock. Minimum dimensions must be 30 feet wide by 3 inches deep, and, at minimum, 50 feet long or the length of the longest haul truck, whichever is greater.

## Benefits:

- Reduces fugitive dust caused by track-out onto paved roads and surfaces.
- May reduce costs by reducing the need for street sweepers or laborers to remove track-out from paved surfaces.
- Assists in storm weather pollution prevention.

Consider this: What will you use as a track-out control device if trenching removes an existing gravel pad? What will you use as a control device during curb and gutter installation? How will you direct traffic to the designated exit locations and restrict traffic from using other exit points?

Questions regarding sign requirements should be directed to the dust compliance division at (602) 506-6010



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