



SOLID WASTE AUGER COMPACTORS DO YOU KNOW WHAT THEY ARE?

You may not believe it, but in some instances, Auger Compactors can cut waste pickups by **60 to 80 percent**. Auger Compactors also contain no hydraulic equipment which is sometimes the cause of spills of hydraulic oil. Also, conventional ram compactors, using hydraulic oil to pressurize rams to compact trash use more energy than Auger Compactors.

Auger Compactors were featured at a recent meeting of *Pennsylvania's Independent Waste Haulers Association*. Auger Compactors work well in many types of industry and at facilities where second-hand items including furniture can easily be handled.



Auger Compactors:

- Can handle industrial compactor loads of cardboard and general plant waste.
- Can easily handle packing of three to five times more material into a 40 yard container than the conventional ram compactor.
- Use less electricity.

- Have a smaller floor footprint.

Throughput of waste material per hour tends to be higher in Auger Compactors, as compared to ram compactors. Although there is a higher initial investment to buy an Auger Compactor as compared to a ram compactor, some owners are reporting a two to three-year pay back, with additional reductions in labor and energy plus potential more recycling revenue.



You can google "Auger Compactors" for more information; there are now a number of manufacturers producing auger compactor equipment. The key advantage of the auger compactor equipment is that feed can involve a larger number of waste types than can go into a ram compactor. Also, there is no cycle time; auger compactor-feed is continuous. For more information, call Komar Auger System, Del Miller at 717-880-1109.

Also featured at the recent *Independent Hauler's Association* meeting was information on the **Conshohocken Rail** facility in Pennsylvania, which is permitted to accept up to 2,000 tons of construction and demolition waste per day. Outbound waste is shipped to landfills via rail car, and the facility is open from 6 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, and on Saturdays from 6 a.m. to noon. For more information call 610-278-7454.

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