

Document 1:

Equipment Check List for carrying out a litter pick

It is advised that the following equipment be used during a litter pick and to support your classroom discussions

- Sturdy shoes / boots covering the whole foot.
- Sun cream and hats if assessed to be necessary by the school.
- Coats / warm clothing depending on the time of year and expected weather.
- Example picture cards for hazardous waste items / items to avoid - Please refer to Document 3- '*Waste types to avoid on litter picks*'.
- Example picture cards- '*please collect these items with your litter pickers*'- Also included in Document 3.
- Litter pickers of an appropriate size for the particular group.
- Thick gloves of an appropriate size for the group.
- Thick collection bags.
- High visibility waistcoats.
- A small dustpan and brush and lidded collection tub would be very useful to sweep up any small accumulations of glass. This should be carried out by a responsible adult only. Please do not allow children to collect glass.
- A recording book/s for items that cannot be collected on the litter pick and need to be reported such as fly-tipping, drugs related litter, dog fouling, heavy items etc. Please write down detailed notes for these items and the locations where they can be found. Please refer to Document 2 for reporting details.
- A camera to record waste problem areas, such as fly-tipping and hazardous waste.
- A survey recording list and clipboard if you wish to note down the waste types found on the litter pick for follow-up work.

Please use the correct safety equipment when doing a litter pick

- All items should be collected with litter pickers and not by hand.
- All litter pick participants should also be wearing thick gloves.
- Thick collection bags should be used for the waste.
- It is also advised that high visibility waistcoats are worn.
- Sturdy shoes / boots covering the whole foot.



Picture from the Helping Hand Company