Volunteer Safety Guidelines

As much as we value our County’s beauty, we value our citizens even more. Volunteer groups must follow very strict safety guidelines. Please review the following safety procedures with your group before the litter pick up.

- Group leaders shall review the safety guidelines with the group members prior to each cleanup.
- Every group should have a first aid kit, water and cell phone. Your group is responsible for these items.
- Take frequent drinks of water and frequent breaks and take steps to prevent sunburn.
- Don’t try to handle hazardous litter, such as car batteries, discarded syringes, etc.
- Be very careful handling broken glass. Remind participants not to step or kneel in areas where there might be hidden broken glass.
- Be alert and ready to react to traffic.
- Everyone participating in the litter pick up must be wearing an orange safety vest at all times.
- Work together as a group and walk facing oncoming traffic. Work on one side of the road at a time.
- Do not engage in horseplay. Demonstrations are not allowed.
- Watch out for bees, wasps, fire ants, snakes, poisonous plants and other potential natural hazards (especially if some individuals have allergies). Always look before stepping.
- Alcoholic beverages are prohibited on a litter pickup. Intoxicated participants should be taken home and should not participate.
- If youth groups are involved in the cleanup, adult supervision is required at all times.
- Do not bring small children to a cleanup.
- Do not wear music headphones, as they interfere with hearing traffic.
- Do not wear hats that could obscure your vision and keep you from seeing an approaching hazard.
- Do not try to compress trash into the bags, as sharp objects could cause injuries.
- Do not bring knives, machetes, or other such tools that could cause accidental injuries.
- Volunteers that are under the care of a physician and has been prescribed medication that alters normal reactions, should stay home until they are better equipped to handle a litter pick up.

By participating in a litter pick up, the volunteer(s) agree to follow Greenville County safety guidelines and instructions and agree to NOT hold Greenville County, Greenville County Municipalities, the Greenville County Litter Prevention Coordinator or his/her sponsor(s) responsible for any injuries they may suffer or damages they may cause or suffer, as a result of participation in the litter pick up.

I have been issued a copy of Greenville County Safety Guidelines for a litter pick up and understand I am responsible for distributing copies of the safety guidelines to the volunteers in my group.

Print name: ___________________________ Date: ________________

Signature: ___________________________