

**City of Wilson Zoning Ordinance**  
**Section 12.H. Trash Containment Devices**

**H. Trash containment devices**

1. All trash containment devices, other than roll out containers, shall be located so as not to be visible from a public street. Such devices shall be placed in the side or rear yards only, unless garbage pick-up would not be practical or available in the rear or sides. The devices shall be enclosed to prevent windblown litter. Such enclosures shall be at least as high as the device and made of material that will contain the litter. The enclosure shall contain appropriate gates to allow easy access and security. A concrete pad shall be required for the device, and barricades shall be installed around the concrete pad to assist in proper placement of the device and prevent damage to the enclosure during loading or unloading.
2. If the device and/or enclosure are not visible from a public or private street or drive, then it need not be screened. A device is considered out of view if it is within the 45 degree angles projected from the building edges, except on a corner lot or lot with public or private drives along more than one side. Where screening is required, the following options are available for the enclosure, provided the overall height of the enclosure is at least as high as the device to be screened:
  - (i) Chain-link fence with slats, or solid-wood fence, or fabricated metal fence, each with shrub plantings placed around the enclosure (they do not need to completely screen the enclosure) that grow as high, or nearly as high, as the fence to provide an attractive separation, or
  - (ii) Brick fence, brick/split face block, or decorative block (plantings not required), or
  - (iii) Chain-link fence with continuous plantings all around the enclosure with growth characteristics to enable the fence to be completely screened from view, including its height, within five (5) years.
3. Where possible, enclosures are encouraged to be constructed with materials that are compatible with the design and materials of the principal building.
4. Trash containment devices subject to the provisions of Section 12 that are not in full compliance with Section 12.H shall become fully-compliant on or before July 1, 2011. Failure to so comply shall constitute a violation of this ordinance and shall subject the violator(s) to the penalties outlined in Section 26 of the Zoning Ordinance.