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PALLET COLLECTION CHECKLIST



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Make your next pallet pick-up safe, legal, and efficient. Print or save this checklist to keep in your van, shed, or toolkit.

LEGAL DOS AND DONT'S	BEST TOOLS TO TAKE WITH YOU
<p>Always ask for permission if the pallet is on private property or behind a shop.</p> <p>Look for markings: EUR, EPAL, HT (heat treated = safe), MB (methyl bromide = avoid).</p> <p>Be respectful of business hours and avoid blocking access or causing disruption.</p> <p>Don't take from active construction sites — these are usually claimed or rented pallets.</p> <p>Avoid pallets marked with red or blue paint (often part of a return scheme like CHEP).</p>	<p>Crowbar or pallet buster</p> <p>Heavy-duty gloves</p> <p>High-vis vest (optional, but useful for business park collections)</p> <p>Safety boots</p> <p>Tie-down straps or bungee cords</p> <p>Battery-powered saw (if dismantling)</p>

MORE PALLET UPCYCLING IDEAS

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— AND SHARE IT WITH A FELLOW
UPCYCLER!**

SAFETY & LOADING CHECKLIST

- Check pallets for rot, cracks, or loose nails.
- Lift using your legs — not your back.
- Stack securely in your vehicle (heaviest on bottom).
- Use a ratchet strap or bungee to prevent shifting in transit.

Don't attempt to lift more than you can handle
or take two trips if needed.