

Mixed Dry Recycling for Business

- ✓ You can recycle all types of drink and food cans, aerosols, biscuit and sweet tins, aluminium foil and trays.
- ✓ You can recycle all types of plastic drinks, detergent or cosmetic bottles, plastic tubs, pots, cups and trays.
- ✓ You can recycle all types of office paper, newspaper, brochures and magazines, envelopes, phonebooks and Yellow pages, greeting cards (without glitter) and shredded paper.
- ✓ You can recycle all types of cardboard packaging, cardboard boxes, egg boxes, food and drink cartons (e.g. Tetra Pak).
- ✗ Please do Not recycle oil tins or paint tins, plastic/ cardboard that is contaminated with food, plastic bags, liners or film, polystyrene cups, polystyrene packaging, polystyrene trays, tissues, metallic wrapping paper, painted paper nor painted card.

Trade Waste Contacts

For information on trade waste and recycling collections, information and advice on business waste reduction, reuse and regulatory compliance, please contact us:

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Please check our website for more information on waste reduction, reuse and recycling.

Waste Collection and Recycling



Introduction

Aberdeenshire Council's Waste Section (part of Infrastructure Services) provides three main waste management functions. These are waste collection, waste disposal and recycling.

Duty of care

The duty of care is a law that says you must take all reasonable steps to keep waste safe.

If you pass waste on to someone else, you must ensure they are authorised to take it and that they will transport, store, recycle or dispose of it safely. The Duty of Care also states that you must store waste safely and securely.

If you are convicted of breaking the duty of care law, you can be fined an unlimited amount.

The Waste (Scotland) Regulations 2012

These regulations make it a legal requirement to separate and recycle waste from all businesses and organisations from 1st January 2014. This includes plastics, metals, paper, card, glass and, in some circumstances, food waste. You must also recycle these items in accordance with the Duty of Care.

Trade waste collection

Aberdeenshire Council will arrange the collection of waste from trade premises where requested. This can be lifted as residual waste (landfill), or as recycling separated by materials.

The Council offers trade recycling for glass bottles and jars (colour separated into clear, blue/green or brown); mixed dry recycling (drink and food cans, aerosols, clean aluminium foil and trays, plastic bottles, pots, tubs, cups & trays, paper and cardboard).

We will assess your waste and recycling collection needs on an individual basis. Charges are based on the frequency of collection and amount collected as well as whether the collection is of recycling material or waste for disposal. The less waste you produce, the less it will cost you.

Collection containers

Wheeled bins and skips are available for hire for our trade waste collection and recycling services. Please see our website:

www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/waste for a full list or call us on **03456 08 12 07**.



Why should your business recycle?

After reducing your waste or reusing items, recycling is the next most sustainable step in the waste hierarchy. Recyclates make up a large proportion of business waste and are easy to separate.

Recycling:

- Ensures you comply with the law.
- Does not incur landfill tax or disposal costs, so can save your business money on equivalent waste disposal.
- Saves resources. Recycling 1 tonne of paper can save up to 17 trees and 32,000 litres of water. Recycling 1 tonne of glass saves 1.2 tonnes of raw materials
- Saves energy. Recycling 1 tonne of paper can save up to 4100 kWh of electricity. Making one can from raw materials uses the same amount of energy that it takes to recycle 20 cans.
- Saves carbon emissions. Recycling 1 tonne of aluminium saves 7 tonnes of CO₂ being emitted.

Reducing waste at source or identifying recycling opportunities reduces your waste disposal costs.

Aberdeenshire Council can help you reduce your waste, advise which materials can be collected for recycling, and share best practice information, and can also help you to understand your regulatory compliance obligations.

This advisory service is free of charge.

Glass recycling for business



- ✓ You can recycle all colours of glass bottles and jars. But they must be separated by colour into Green/Blue bottles, Clear bottles or Green Bottles as we do not collect mixed glass. Please remove the lids and tops.
- ✗ This service cannot accept drinking glasses, plate glass or light bulbs. These types of glass have different properties and cannot be recycled by the same process.