

Mobile collections

Hazardous substances are collected close to where you live twice a year. After Christmas time in Dresden streets containers are available to dispose old trees.

Further types of waste

Bulky waste/waste wood

This includes furniture parts, carpets, floor coverings, mattresses, suitcases, feather beds, Venetian blinds, sporting appliances, bicycles, large toys, plastic bathtubs. This does not include old cars, car parts, accessories, tyres, building waste (e.g. doors, windows, sanitary facilities).

Every household can dispose of up to four cubic metres of bulky waste per half year in a municipal recycling depot, or can be collected from the house/flat after a written order has been submitted. The collection is free of charge once a year per household for Dresden pass holder.

Harmful substances

These include liquids paints, enamels, glue and adhesives, solvent remains, chemicals, plant protection products and pesticides, spray cans with remaining contents, oil and fatty waste, batteries, used oil and starter batteries. Up to a maximum of 25 litres of harmful substances can be disposed of at the municipal recycling depots.

Please note: Leave harmful waste in the original container and do not mix it.

Garden waste and tree and shrub cuttings

The recycling depots as well as the acceptance points for organic waste in the localities take receipt of larger quantities of waste for a fee.

Please note: Tree and shrub cuttings (tree trunks, branches) will only be accepted up to a length of one metre and a maximum diameter of 20 centimetres.

Old electrical/electronic appliances

The municipal recycling depots accept these appliances free of charge. Large household appliances (e.g. fridges), in which at least one edge is longer than 50 centimetres will also be collected from your house/flat for a fee once you have placed a written order. On this occasion small electric devices (no fluorescent lamps) are being collected without extra charges.

Social furniture service

The social furniture service collects appliances or articles of daily use that are in good condition and fully functional following consultancy with you and pass them on to people in need.

An additional option is the exchange and giveaway market that can be found on the Internet at www.dresden.de/tauschen. You can place offers and want ads free of charge there.

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Waste disposal in households

Notices for the correct collection and disposal

Dear residents,

This information sheet provides you with instructions on how you can dispose of waste correctly and cheaply. In this case the first priority should be to avoid waste to the greatest possible extent. Please help us to save our natural resources. Do you have any questions? We are happy to be at your service.

Information

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You can find out everything about waste disposal in Dresden at www.dresden.de/abfall.

Waste guidebook

Every year in December a guidebook is issued. You will find all the information that is necessary concerning the collection and disposal of your waste in it.

Disposal options

Collect your waste separately in accordance with the types of waste. The following disposal options are available to you here:

Waste bin locations at the house

Non-recyclable waste, organic waste, lightweight packaging and in some cases waste paper will be stored separately in the containers at your home.

Recyclable material container locations

Special locations (see inside covers) were set up in your residential area for the collection of waste glass, paper, cartons and cardboard as well as newspapers and other pamphlets.

Municipal recycling depots

You can do the following at the recycling depots among other things: discard bulky waste, plastic waste and harmful substances, old electric and electronic appliances.

Collection points for garden and wood waste are also available.

What belongs in which waste container?

Wheelie bin stores directly next to the residential house

Residual waste bin



- Sweepings, vacuum cleaner bags
- Meat, fish, bones
- Small pet and dog faeces, mineral litter from cages or cat toilets
- Light bulbs
- Ashes (without remaining embers), cigarette stubs and ash
- Toys, pencils, Christmas tree decorations
- Wallpaper and carpet remains
- Used cleaning rags, sponges, brushes
- Window glass, mirror glass, earthenware (including shards)
- Sanitary products, tissues, cotton wool, cotton buds
- Nappies
- Dirty household linen
- Damaged and worn clothing (e.g. ladies-tights, shoes)
- Wax and candle remains
- Very dirty packaging or packaging that has not been completely emptied
- Medicine leftovers
- Wet wipes
- Disposable tableware, cutlery, shavers

The following do not belong in this bin:

- Waste paper, cardboard, glass bottles
- Hazardous waste (paints, varnish, solvents, oils, chemicals, batteries)
- Old electrical and electronic appliances
- Construction waste
- Bulky waste, waste wood, cork, CDs, DVDs
- Building waste
- Household scrap, large metal parts
- Energy saving lamps
- Fluorescent lamps

Organic waste/ collection bin



- Fruit and vegetable remains (also remains of citrus fruits)
- Expired or spoiled foods (fruit, vegetables, pastries, scraps of food)
- Tea bags, coffee filter bags, coffee grounds
- Bunches of flowers, pot plants (without pots), smaller quantities of potting soil
- Organic household waste and waste from allotments (foliage, lawn clippings, shredded bush and tree cuttings, weeds)
- Organic pet litter (hay, straw, wood shavings)
- Other household waste that is suitable for composting (paper towels, paper serviettes, kitchen roll, non-coated wrapping paper)

Our tip: Absorbent paper (e.g. newspapers) absorbs the moisture and consequently the odours and reduces the freezing of the waste in the winter.

The following do not belong in this bin:

- Plastic bags
- Packaging made of metal or plastic
- Mineral pet litter (even if it is biodegradable)
- Vacuum cleaner bags
- Nappies
- tissues

Yellow bin/ Yellow sack



- Sales packaging made of plastic such as tubs (e.g. for yoghurt, puddings, cream, margarine), bottles (e.g. for body care products, washing-up liquids and washing detergents, films (e.g. for meat packaging, bags, carrier bags).
- Foams (e.g. polystyrene trays for meat, vegetable, fruit, packaging of small electrical/electronic appliances)
- Metal packaging (e.g. drinks cans and tin cans, aluminium foils/plates, screw caps, empty aerosol cans)
- Sales packaging made of composite materials (e.g. beverage cartons for milk or juice)
- Vacuum packaging (e.g. for coffee)

Our tip: You can obtain yellow sacks in your local city district administration centres from the waste disposal company that is responsible for this area and at all the recycling depots commissioned by the city council

The following do not belong in this bin:

- Articles of daily use made of plastic/foam or composite materials, which are not packaging (e.g. buckets, bowls, toys, wall/ceiling panels, CDs, DVDs).
- Newspapers/magazines, cardboard, paper,
- glass
- spray bottles that have not been emptied

Blue bin



- Newspapers and magazines (not bundled)
- Books (without a leather binding)
- Booklets
- Writing paper, envelopes
- Catalogues and brochures
- Packaging made of paperboard or cardboard
- Crumpled paper (clean)
- Packaging made of paper
- Packing paper

Our tip: Please press larger pieces together flat and crush them.

The following do not belong in this bin:

- Wallpaper remains
- Tissues
- Paper towel
- Packaging made of composite materials (e.g. tetra packs)
- Polluted paper and cardboard (e.g. from Pizza)
- Coated paper, pan liner, sandwich paper
- Prints

What belongs in which recyclable material container?

Recycling bank sites in the residential area

Newspapers/Magazines

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Please note the following when using the recyclable materials container:

- Do not place any waste next to the recyclable materials containers
- Only use the container during the allowed times
- Business enterprises are forbidden from using them

This listing is not complete due to the space limitations.

Used glass

- Empty packaging made of glass (e.g. bottles for wine, juice, oil, vinegar and sauces, jam and conserve jars)

Our tip: Please dispose of them separately based on their colours (white, brown, green). Bottles or jars with different colours belong in the green glass container

The following do not belong in this bin:

- Crystal glass (e.g. wine glass, perfume bottles)
- Light bulbs and energy saving lamps
- Fluorescent lamps
- Flat glass (e.g. mirror and window glass)
- Fireproof glass (e.g. tea sets, laboratory glassware)
- Lampshades
- Drinking glasses
- Household items made of glass (e.g. beakers, bowls, jugs)
- Porcelain, ceramics, stoneware
- Caps (metal, plastic or cork)