

Policy number	Policy 262
Policy title	Waste removal and recycling – residential and commercial properties
Strategic outcomes supported	EN1 - protecting and enhancing the natural environment EN2 – facilitating the reduction of waste

Policy objective:

To provide guidance for waste removal and recycling on residential and commercial properties.

Policy scope:

This policy applies to the disposal of waste and recycling of waste for residential and commercial properties.

Policy definitions:

Nil.

Policy statement:

Residential properties

1. Each ratable residential dwelling, whether single or multi-unit, is entitled to be provided with one (1) 240 litre capacity mobile garbage bin. With the introduction of garden organic (GO) from 2022 and the approval of food organic/garden organic (FOGO) waste collection systems from 2025, each ratable residential dwelling will be provided with two bins (one for GO or FOGO material, the other for any residual (non-recyclable) material).
2. An additional mobile garbage bin may be supplied upon payment of an annual service fee.
3. In a multi-unit residential development where it is impractical for each dwelling unit to be provided with its own bin, the Town will require the provision of a bin compound within the development and determine the aggregate number and type of bins that will be provided.
4. In a multi-unit residential development, the tenants of that development are entitled to make shared use of any or all of the bins within the bin compound.
5. Bins are currently emptied once a week. With the introduction of GO or FOGO systems, bins will be emptied either weekly (for bins containing food organic material) or fortnightly (for bins not containing food organic material).
6. The cost of an additional mobile garbage bin service shall be in accordance with the amount shown in the Schedule of Fees and Charges contained within the annual budget. This is payable annually in advance for the number of weeks the service will be provided in a financial year.
7. Each rateable residential dwelling, whether single or multi-unit, is entitled to be provided with one (1) 240 litre capacity **recycling** mobile garbage bin (with a 360L upgrade available on request).
8. In a multi-unit residential development where it is impractical for each unit to be provided with its own **recycling** bin, the Town will require the provision of a bin compound within the development and determine the aggregate number and type of bins that will be provided and collection frequency.
9. In a multi-unit residential development, the tenants of that development are entitled to make shared use of any or all of the **recycling** bins within the bin compound.

10. **Recycling** bins are emptied once a fortnight except for high density developments where frequency may be determined by the Town.
11. An additional **recycling** mobile garbage bin may be supplied upon payment of an annual service fee.
12. In addition to the scheduled servicing of removal of mobile bins for waste and recycling, residential properties are entitled to periodic waste removal from verges for materials as determined by the Town.

Commercial properties

1. Each commercial premises is entitled to be provided with one (1) 240 litre capacity mobile garbage bin per 450 square metre of floor space, up to a maximum of the equivalent capacity of 25 bins subject to verge space or bin storage availability to accommodate these bins on collection days.
2. An additional mobile garbage bin may be supplied upon payment of an annual service fee.
3. Excessively moist organic waste or swill must not be placed in Town bins. A premises producing waste of this type must make suitable arrangements with a private contractor for its removal.
4. Bins are to be kept and contained within an enclosure that is in an area easily accessible to the truck emptying the bins.
5. Bins are emptied once a week or where frequency may be determined by the Town.
6. The cost of an additional mobile garbage bin service shall be in accordance with the amount shown in the Schedule of Fees and Charges contained within the annual budget. This is payable annually in advance for the number of weeks the service will be provided in a financial year.
7. **Recycling** bins shall only be provided on request. Each commercial premises is entitled to be provided with one (1) 240 litre capacity **recycling** mobile garbage bin per 450 square metre of floor space, up to a maximum of the equivalent capacity of 25 bins subject to verge space or bin storage availability to accommodate these bins on collection day.
8. In a multi-unit commercial development where it is impractical for each unit to be provided with its own bin, the Town will require the provision of a bin compound within the development and determine the aggregate number and type of **recycling** bins that will be provided and collection frequency.
9. **Recycling** bins are to be kept and contained within an enclosure that is in an area easily accessible to the truck emptying the bins.
10. **Recycling** bins are emptied once a week except for commercial developments where frequency may be determined by the Town.
11. An additional **recycling** mobile garbage bin may be supplied upon payment of an annual service fee. The cost of an additional **recycling** mobile garbage bin service shall be in accordance with the amount shown in the Schedule of Fees and Charges contained within the annual budget. This is payable annually in advance for the number of weeks the service will be provided in a financial year. The Town may approve other bin sizes subject to operational requirements.
12. Commercial properties are not entitled to periodic waste removal from verges as determined by the Town for residential properties.

Related documents

- [Waste Avoidance and Resource Recovery Act 2007](#)
- [Town of Victoria Park Health Local Law 2003](#)
- [Town of Victoria Park Waste Local Law 2022](#)

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