

Residual Waste

Even with a consistent waste separation into waste paper bins, bio-waste bins and yellow bags for packaging materials, some of the generated waste cannot be recycled or is too contaminated for further processing. The gray waste containers are provided for this type of waste.

Introduction of an Identification System

All bins are equipped with the so-called transponders (transponder chips). A reader device on the garbage collection vehicle will capture information and count the instances each time the bin is emptied. The data will be transmitted from the waste management company to the district administration. None of the process steps involve any personal data. The encoded data of the residual waste bins will only be retrieved for preparing the fee notifications. Therefore, please only place your residual waste container on the side of the road if you want it to be emptied. A further benefit of the identification system is that it prevents the emptying of unregistered containers and thus guarantees a usage-based billing of the waste disposal fees.

How often will the residual waste bins be emptied?

The residual waste bins will be collected **every 4 weeks**. Thus, you can provide your bin for collection up to a maximum of 13 times per year. It is up to you to decide how often you provide your residual waste bin for collection. The actual number of collections are recorded and stored on the chip of the residual waste bin. The exact waste disposal schedule for your local municipality is provided on our homepage at:

www.lksuedwestpfalz.de/buergerservice/abteilungen/umwelt/abfallwirtschaftskonzept/.

Which bin sizes are available?

60 liters, 120 liters and 240 liters containers (and, *in exceptional cases*, residual waste bags) are provided for the disposal of residual waste. At least 10 liters must be reserved per person and week.

The following items must be disposed of in the residual waste bins (examples):

- audio & video cassettes
- ashes, grill ashes (upon cooling)
- bicycle tubes
- hygiene products
- swept garbage
- candle remains
- small animal litter (mineral)
- cleaning rags
- vacuum cleaner bags, wallpaper scraps
- contaminated foils
- contaminated paper and packaging
- toothbrushes
- cigarette butts
- diapers

More information is available on the Internet at www.lksuedwestpfalz.de

If the container volume is not sufficient in individual cases, you can acquire additional residual waste bags (available with a volume of 30 liters or 60 liters) from each recycling center and from the district administration at a price of EUR 1.87 or EUR 3.73 per residual waste bag. Other commercially available waste bags will not be disposed of.

What can I do in the event of ice and snow?

In the event of ice and snow, the garbage truck may be unable to access all roads. If you want to make sure that your residual waste bin, waste paper bin and yellow bag for packaging materials are collected, you should bring these to the nearest reachable road that has been cleared and gritted. For more information, please visit www.lksuedwestpfalz.de.

Direct deliveries to the Waste-to-Energy Plant

Direct deliveries of residual waste are only accepted by the waste-to-energy plant. Waste is accepted against payment in cash.

The waste-to-energy plant is open for direct deliveries from 8:00 a.m. until 04:30 p.m. Mondays through Fridays and from 8:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. on Saturdays.

On-Demand Collection of Bulky Waste

Bulky waste includes furniture and household stuff that

- do not fit into the approved waste containers even after a reasonable size reduction,
- that cannot be disposed of via the residual waste bin due to their weight
- and that you would take with you if you were to relocate to a different place, i.e. those are items that are not integral components of the building.

How is bulky waste collected?

You can simply request the collection of bulky waste by phone (06331/809173), fax (06331/8098173) or e-mail (i.knobloch@lksuedwestpfalz.de); one bulky waste collection per year is free of charge. A flat-rate fee is charged for each additional collection (EUR 20,52). In any case, we need the following information from you:

- your name, the location and address of the property from which the bulky waste is to be collected
- type and quantity of the bulky waste, so that we can plan for the collection accordingly
- a phone number where we can reach you if we have any further questions

If you contact us by phone, we will propose a pick-up date or the pick-up date will be communicated to you within one week in writing (by letter, fax or e-mail). When planning the disposal of your bulky waste, please keep in mind that bulky waste will be collected at the latest **2-4 weeks after receipt of the request** .

Bulky Waste Self-Delivery

If you are in a hurry, you can deliver your bulky waste (up to a maximum quantity of 4 m³) yourself, free of charge, to the recycling centers in Contwig, Dahn-Reichenbach and Donsieders . Bulky waste collection is a difficult job for garbage collectors. Therefore, it is important to respect certain general conditions:

- Individual items may not weigh more than 75 kg and may not be longer or wider than 2 m.
- The maximum quantity to be collected may not exceed 4 cubic meters per household.
- Wooden parts of the bulky waste (wooden furniture) are collected separately - please ensure that they are provided separately! Bulky waste is collected by two different vehicles!
- Oil stoves must be fully emptied; the tanks and controllers must be removed and placed next to the stoves.
- Refrigerators and freezers are collected on different dates; please call the phone number 06331/809-263 to make an appointment. Collection of these items is free of charge.
- Electrical/electronic equipment is **not** classified as bulky waste and can be delivered free of charge to each recycling center (see → **Electrical/electronic waste**).
- Other bulky items that are not considered bulky waste must be disposed of at the expense of the consumer.
- On the collection date, please make your bulky waste available on the side of the road in front of the property specified as the pickup address no later than 6:00 a.m.

What is collected / accepted?

Bulky waste includes (examples):

wooden furniture, couch sets, sofas, armchairs, carpets and rugs, mattresses, bed frames, slatted frames, balcony and garden furniture, bulky household items (e.g. laundry baskets, ironing boards, drying racks), bulky children's toys (e.g. pedal cars, scooters, skateboards, table tennis tables), bicycles, oil and wood-fired stoves, kitchen sinks

Items that will not be collected (examples):

recyclable waste such as cartons, green waste, household waste and waste from household dissolutions, electrical/electronic devices (e.g. electric cookers, washing machines, dishwashers, dryers, appliances, TVs, PCs, etc.), construction and industrial waste, building renovation waste (e.g. windows, doors, oil tanks, bathtubs, laminate flooring, wall and ceiling paneling, garden fences), used tires and auto parts, refrigerating and freezing equipment

The Bio-Waste Bin

The following tips are provided to help you understand the collection of bio-waste and to facilitate your use of the bio-waste bin.

How often is the bio-waste bin emptied?

The bio-waste bin is emptied every 14 days. Please provide the bin for collection every 14 days even if it is not completely full. The annual waste collection fee does not depend on the number of collections. The exact waste disposal schedule for your local municipality is provided on our homepage (www.lksuedwestpfalz.de) under → "Umwelt und Abfall" → "Abfuhrtermine".

What items belong to the bio-waste bin?

All bio-waste generated in private households must be disposed of in the bio-waste bin.

The following waste **must be disposed of** in the bio-waste bin (examples):

Kitchen and Household Waste

- fruit and vegetable waste
- bread and pastry leftovers
- cooked and uncooked food waste (including meat, sausage and fish waste), spoiled food
- leftover bones
- fruit peels and cores
- coffee filters and coffee grounds
- tea bags and tea leaves
- leftover milk products, cheese
- eggs, egg shells
- dairy products (yogurt, curds)
- potted plants with soil (without pot)

Garden Waste

- lawn clippings
- tree and shrub clippings
- fallen fruit
- withered flowers
- weeds, moss, leaves

Other Items

- straw, hay
- wood chips and sawdust (untreated)
- feathers
- hair (untreated)
- wood ash (only natural wood)
- wood wool (untreated)

The following waste **may not** be disposed of in the bio-waste bin (examples): Flower pots, dog feces, hygiene products, leather, vacuum cleaner bags, street sweepings, animal carcasses, cigarette butts. These types of waste must be disposed of in the residual waste bin!

Tips for Bio-Waste Collection

- The drier the bio-waste bin, the better! This is achieved by always covering the bottom of the bio-waste bin with a thick layer of crumpled newspapers. However, do not use colored illustrated magazines for this purpose! It may also help to add structural material such as tree and shrub clippings or wood shavings. This helps to bind any liquids and to improve air circulation.
- Make sure to first drain any moist kitchen waste and then wrap it securely in newspaper or paper towels.
- Various practical paper bags for bio-waste collection are commercially available. These bags are moisture-resistant, which ensures that your bio-waste bin will stay clean. You can also use 100 percent compostable bio bags made of starch.
- **Please never use common plastic bags for the collection of bio-waste. These bags do not decay and cause problems in the recycling process.**
- Do not throw any liquid waste into the bio-waste bin. Pour soups and sauces into the sink through a sieve and only put the solid parts into the bio-waste bin.
- You can effectively prevent odors and inhibit the development of fly maggots by regularly scattering rock powder over the bio-waste.
- Always let lawn clippings dry for a while to reduce the development of odors.

What can be done in the event of maggot infestation?

Maggots appear when flies lay their eggs in the bio-waste. The maggots hatch within several days. Heat and moisture accelerate **their** development. Maggots consist mainly of water. By sprinkling an absorbent material, such as rock flour, over the bio-waste, you deteriorate the living conditions of the maggots. Meat waste is the favorite food of maggots and should therefore always be wrapped in newspaper before disposal in the bio-waste bin. Always make sure that the lid is closed properly to prevent flies from laying their eggs inside the bin.

The Right Location

Find a shaded place for your bio-waste bin. It should never be exposed to direct sunlight, especially in summer. By following this advice, you can prevent excessive heat development in the bio-waste bin, an acceleration of the fermentation processes and the associated development of odor.

The ideal location is next to a north-facing house wall, in the shade of trees or in a "garbage bin shelter".

What can I do in winter?

At low temperatures, there is a risk that the water-rich bio-waste might freeze in the bin if it is left outdoors. To prevent this, please consider the following tips:

- Cover the bottom of the bio-waste bin with a thick layer of crumpled newspapers.
- Thoroughly drain any moist waste such as coffee and tea filters. Wrap moist food waste in newspaper or use compostable bio-waste bags made from 100 percent recycled paper (available from retailers).
- Always keep the lid of the bio-waste bin closed. In this way, you can prevent rain or snow from entering the bin.
- Place the bio-waste bin - if possible - in a frost-free room (e.g. in a garage).

My bio-waste bin was not emptied. What can I do?

While this may seem very annoying at first, it may also be attributable to legitimate reasons.

Therefore, please check the following first:

- Are there any impurities in the bio-waste bin (glass, cans, non-compostable plastic bags, residual waste, etc.)?
- Is the content of the bio-waste bin frozen solid at the edge of the bin?
- Is the material too runny?

Please only contact the waste disposal company or district administration after you have verified that the answers to all of the above questions are negative.

Which bin sizes are available?

The available bin sizes in liters are 60, 80 or 120 liters. Households of one to three persons receive a 60 litres bio-waste bin if they use home composting (80 litres bin without home composting). Household of four or more persons are provided with an 80 liters bin with home composting (120 liters bin without home composting).

Who is responsible for the bio-waste bin?

The bio-waste bins are provided for use by citizens but remain the property of the district administration. As a user of the bin, you must therefore ensure that the bio-waste bin is kept in a good condition. As a user, you are also obligated to clean the bin on a regular basis. In the event of any damage to the bin (e.g. the appearance of cracks), please contact the district administration.

Bio-waste bins and commercial entities

Commercial enterprises, public institutions, freelance professionals, etc. are not automatically assigned a bio-waste bin because the Commercial Waste Ordinance stipulates that their generated waste must be kept and supplied for recycling separately.

As a rule, kitchen, catering and food waste containing animal ingredients (e.g. meat, egg and milk products) from industrial kitchens, canteens, restaurants or communal catering facilities may not be disposed of in the municipal bio-waste bins or residual waste bins. Based on hygiene and animal disease control considerations, this waste must be provided for separate disposal and recycling by the approved specialized companies.

If necessary, a bio-waste bin can be requested for bio-waste resulting from certain food preparation activities (e.g. for salad cleaning residues, onion and potato peelings, etc.) or from trading in fruit and vegetables. If you have any questions, please contact the Commercial Waste Consulting Department.

Waste Paper

The production of paper requires a lot of wood, water and energy. This makes the recycling of waste paper a sustainable and cost-effective process. The paper recycling bin is provided for this purpose.

How often is the paper recycling bin emptied?

Your paper recycling bin is emptied **every 4 weeks**. The emptying of paper recycling bins is free of charge, meaning that you can leave your waste paper bin for disposal up to a maximum of 13 times per year. The exact waste disposal schedule for your local municipality is provided on our homepage at:

www.lksuedwestpfalz.de/buergerservice/abteilungen/umwelt/abfallwirtschaftskonzept/

Which bin sizes are available?

The default size is 240 liters. Smaller bins with 120 liters can also be provided in exceptional cases. However, since the waste paper bins are processed at 4-week collection intervals, we recommend that you use a 240 liters container. You are also welcome to share the waste paper bin with your neighbors!

We can also provide you with a 1,100 liters paper recycling container for large residential complexes or commercial properties.

If the bin volume is not sufficient, you can also place the additional paper in a bundle or packaged in cartons next to the paper recycling bin on collection day. We could also provide you with further paper recycling bins on request. If you have any questions, please contact your respective contact person.

Sorting Instructions

What should be put in the paper recycling bin?

All paper and cardboard packaging, cartons, envelopes, books, egg cartons, gift-wrapping paper, notebooks and maps, illustrated journals, calendars, catalogs, packing paper, paper bags and carry bags, printing and writing paper, newspapers and magazines.

Items that may not be put in the paper recycling bin:

Tissue paper, carbon and carbonless copy paper, wallpaper scraps, composite packaging such as milk or juice cartons, Tetra Paks, soiled paper, other waste.

Yellow Bag

The yellow bags for packaging materials are distributed, collected and recycled as part of a comprehensive recyclable material collection system created independently and financed privately by the groups involved (industry, trade, commerce, waste disposal companies). The company responsible for the annual distribution of yellow bags to households is **Remondis, Pirmasens**, acting on behalf of Duales System Deutschland GmbH. You have already paid the costs for the recycling of packaging waste by purchasing the respective products. Therefore, the yellow bag program is not funded by the municipal waste disposal fee. Each household receives a new roll of yellow bags once per year. You can also provide other transparent bags for collection. These will be collected if filled properly. If you have any complaints, please do not hesitate to call the dedicated service number 0800/1223255.

The yellow bags are collected every 14 days. The exact waste disposal schedule for your local municipality is provided on our homepage (www.lksuedwestpfalz.de) under → "Umwelt und Abfall" → "Abfuhrtermine". Only empty packaging with the "Green Dot" should be put into the yellow bag; all other packaging items should be placed in the residual waste bin.

Items to be disposed of in the yellow bags include (examples):

Plastic packaging, e.g.:

- Yogurt and margarine tubs
- Plastic bags, pouches and foils
- Bottles of rinsing agents, detergents and body care products,
- Fruit and vegetable containers made of styrofoam

Composites, such as:

- Milk and juice cartons
- Tetra Pak cartons

Metal packaging, such as:

- Food and beverage cans
- Empty aerosol cans, tin lids, aluminum trays, foils, lids

Items that may not be put into the yellow bags include (examples):

- * Paper packaging (= blue bin), glass packaging (= glass container), textiles, video and music cassettes, diskettes, CDs, rubber and foam rubber parts, diapers

Hazardous Waste

Hazardous waste is waste containing environmentally hazardous substances. To protect the environment, this waste must be collected separately and can be provided to the hazardous waste collection vehicle free of charge in the normal small quantities stipulated for households. The following items are accepted as part of the hazardous waste collection program: Household and car batteries, rechargeable batteries, acids, bases, mercury thermometers, spray cans with harmful residual content, adhesive residues, fuel oil residuals, paints, varnishes, thinners, solvents, pesticides, automotive chemicals (e.g. cold-cleaning agents, defrosters, brake fluid, antifreeze), household cleaning products (e.g. shoe polish, drain cleaners, oven cleaners).

You can deliver small amounts of this hazardous waste to the recycling centers throughout the year. The exact waste disposal schedule for your local municipality is provided on our homepage (www.lksuedwestpfalz.de) under → "Umwelt und Abfall" → "Umweltmobil".

Please note:

- For safety reasons, the hazardous waste may not be deposited at the stop-over locations before the arrival of the collection vehicle! Doing this may put people, animals and the environment at risk!
- The empty cartons, boxes, buckets, etc. in which the hazardous waste was delivered must be collected after handover.
- You can return old engine oil and transmission oil to the retailer from whom it was purchased in the same quantity (always keep your receipt!); the hazardous waste collection vehicle will not accept any waste oil.
- Old drugs are not considered directly toxic waste; they can be deposited in the residual waste bin in small quantities.
- Completely empty paint cans and spray cans with the "Green Dot" mark should be put into the yellow bag for recyclable packaging.
- If possible, please submit any emulsion and varnish paint to the recycling centers; the hazardous waste collection vehicle can only carry small quantities of these.
- Hardened brushes and paint cans can be disposed of in the household waste bin.

Recycling Centers

You can also deliver further waste materials to our recycling center:

Recyclables (free acceptance of small quantities up to a maximum of 250 liters and 50 kg):

Scrap metal, plastic foils, styrofoam (only white and clean styrofoam is accepted), hollow and flat glass, natural cork (without adhesive residue).

Hazardous materials (free acceptance of the normal small quantities per household): Waste oil up to 5 liters, liquid emulsion paints, oil-contaminated equipment, varnish paints, electronic waste, batteries (including car batteries), fluorescent tubes, energy saving lamps, wood preservative residues.

Green waste: Green waste is accepted free of charge. Please note that only small quantities can be delivered to the recycling centers (trunk loads up to 250 liters). **Larger quantities can only be accepted at the recycling centers in Dahn-Reichenbach, Heltersberg or Lemberg.**

Waste disposal fees are charged for the delivery of the following waste types:

Car tires without rims at € 1.50/piece, car tires with rims at € 3.00/piece and small quantities of residual waste (trunk loads up to 50 kg) at € 0.26/kg.

Electrical (electronic) equipment such as:

Washing machines, dishwashers, stoves and ovens, tumble dryers, microwave ovens, PCs, laptops, monitors, printers, radios, televisions, video recorders, hi-fi equipment, musical instruments, DVD and CD players, vacuum cleaners, drills, video game consoles, fluorescent lamps, discharge lamps (no incandescent light bulbs or incandescent lamps).

Construction waste:

Landfill materials (e.g. loamy soil, pumice, tiles) or reusable materials (e.g. crushed concrete, all stone materials except pumice, sand, bituminous road surface materials) can be delivered to the recycling centers (only small quantities up to 250 liters). The disposal fee is 3,00 Euro per delivery. Only one delivery is permitted per day. Larger quantities can be delivered to private waste disposal companies for a fee.

Small quantities of gypsum-based materials, cement, mortar, etc. (up to 250 liters) can be delivered free of charge. Only one delivery is permitted per day.

Materials for landfills, reusable materials and gypsum-based materials may not be delivered as mixtures of these types.

You can find a list of the current fee rates on our homepage at:

www.lksuedwestpfalz.de/buergerservice/abteilungen/umwelt/abfallwirtschaftskonzept/

Please note:

Please bring someone to assist you with the delivery process if necessary. The self-delivery principle applies. You unload the waste into the respective container yourself. If more than the specified maximum is delivered, the entire load is rejected.

Based on experience, entry with a trailer is only possible at the recycling centers in Dahn-Reichenbach, Fischbach bei Dahn, Heltersberg and Lemberg.

The recycling centers are located:

Contwig

Schwarzbachstraße (am Wendehammer)

gps coordinates E7.43634 N49.24521

(Tel. 06332-50496)

Mon – Fri 09.00 - 12.00 Uhr
 13.00 - 16.30 Uhr

Sat 08.30 - 12.00 Uhr

Fischbach bei Dahn

Gewerbepark 36

gps coordinates E7.69421 N49.07039

(Tel. 06393-993012)

Wed 13.00 - 16.30 Uhr
Sat 08.30 - 12.00 Uhr

Dahn-Reichenbach

Industriestraße 32

gps coordinates E7.79810 N49.13470

(Tel. 06391-3803)

Mon - Fri 09.00 - 12.00 Uhr,
 13.00 - 16.30 Uhr

Sat 08.30 - 12.00 Uhr

Hauenstein

Weißburger Straße

gps coordinates E7.86350 N49.18566

(Tel. 06392-800)

Mon - Fri 13.00 - 16.30 Uhr
Sat 08.30 - 12.00 Uhr

Donsieders

An der L498

gps coordinates E 7.65221 N49.26752

(Tel. 06333-5510)

Mon - Fri 09.00 - 12.00 Uhr
 13.00 - 16.30 Uhr

Sat 08.30 - 12.00 Uhr

Heltersberg

Scheideller Weg

gps coordinates E7.72995 N49.30901

(Tel. 06333-65935)

Mon, Wed, Fri 13.00 - 16.30 Uhr
Tue, Thur 09.00 - 12.00 Uhr
 13.00 - 16.30 Uhr

Sat 08.30 - 12.00 Uhr

Lemberg

Dahner Straße

gps coordinates E7.66035 N49.16974

(Tel. 06331-40552)

Mon, Wed, Fri 13.00 - 16.30 Uhr

Tue, Thur 09.00 - 12.00 Uhr

Sa 08.30 - 12.00 Uhr

Rodalben

In den Stockwiesen

gps coordinates E7.60978 N49.25218

(Tel. 06331-16559)

Mon, Wed, Fri 13.00 - 16.30 Uhr

Sat 08.30 - 12.00 Uhr

Waldfischbach-Burgalben

Bahnhofstraße 9

gps coordinates E7.65447 N49.28939

(Tel. 06333-2937)

Tue, Thur 13.00 - 16.30 Uhr

Sat 08.30 - 12.00 Uhr

Wallhalben

Adi-Dassler-Straße

gps coordinates E7.52555 N49.32228

(Tel. 06375-282)

Tue, Thur 13.00 - 16.30 Uhr

Sat 08.30 - 12.00 Uhr

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