

Where to with the rubbish?

Information on the most important refuse types

Biological waste

Kitchen waste such as:

- * Fruit and vegetable scraps, food left-overs
- * Meat and fish waste including bones (not suitable for compost)
- * Coffee grounds and filters, tea grounds and -bags
- * Paper towels

Garden refuse such as:

- * Grass cuttings, leaves, weeds etc., plant and flower refuse

☺ This organic waste belongs either in the green BIOTONNE (BIO-BIN) or on the private garden compost. BIO-BIN collection takes place fortnightly in the winter months, but weekly in the summer-time (see *Waste-Calendar*).

☞ **Only bio-waste free of impurities can be converted to a high-grade compost low in pollutants.**

Packaging

- * Food and drink cans, caps, lids
- * Plastics (e.g. plastic bags, yoghurt tubs, shampoo bottles)
- * Clean polystyrene
- * Composite packaging (e.g. drink cartons)
- * Aluminium foil and lids

☺ This refuse belongs in the Yellow Sack (Gelber Sack). Collection is biweekly (see *Waste-Calendar*).

☞ **Avoidance is better than recycling! Make use of products available unwrapped or in returnable vessels!**

Glass waste

☺ Please bring glass waste (not pane) to the glass container (see *Waste-Calendar*). The container accepts three fractions sorted according to colour (white/brown/green).

☞ **Please use returnable bottles, instead of disposable packaging, wherever possible.**

Paper waste

- * Newspapers, magazines, catalogues
- * Cardboard packaging
- * Paper shreds

☺ Paper waste belongs in the paper-waste-bin (bin with blue lid). It is emptied every four weeks (see *Waste-Calendar*).

If there is a collection of paper waste by an association in your community, please have the paper prepared in paper bags, cardboard boxes or tied bundles for this collection.

☞ **Write, print and copy on both sides of the page! Use recycling paper, as this conserves valuable resources!**

Problem substances

- * Paints and varnishes
- * Household chemicals, pesticides
- * Fluorescent lamps, low-energy lamps
- * Batteries
- * Medicines

☺ Problem substances must be taken to the problem substance collection point (see *Waste-Calendar*).

☞ **Problem substances are a threat to the environment, so take care to dispose of them appropriately!**

Residual (non recyclable) refuse

- * Cigarette-ends, ashes
- * Vacuum-cleaner bags, sweepings
- * Nappies, sanitary towels, cotton tips etc.
- * Light bulbs
- * Meat and fish waste including bones

☺ The grey residual-refuse-bin is emptied every 14 days (see *Waste-Calendar*).

☞ **Only refuse for which a recycling path does not exist belongs in the residual-refuse-bin.**