



ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

Waste Disposal



Towards a Waste Wise Western Downs

Welcome to the Waste and Recycling Centre ...

a state-of-the-art waste management facility designed to maximise recovery of recyclables and provide a greatly improved patron experience and better customer service.

Western Downs Regional Council is working hard to achieve more sustainable waste management practices across the region by offering improved recycling facilities at many of its waste disposal facilities.

We can all make a positive contribution to the economic and environmental future of Western Downs by sorting and recycling our waste materials. Make the most of the recycling options at the Centre and help divert waste from landfill and improve levels of resource recovery.

NORMAL OPERATING HOURS

Seven (7) days per week

7.00am to 5.30pm

Please note that Council facilities may be closed on some public holidays including Christmas Day, Anzac Day and Good Friday. Please contact 1300COUNCIL to find out if these holidays affect you.





Parking area for waste disposal. Please park between lines and reverse to wheel stops. Do not enter the push pit. The barrier chain is provided for your own safety.

Save fees and recycle!

The following clean and uncontaminated materials can be recycled for **free*** by both domestic and commercial users:

- Commingled recyclables – glass bottles and jars, newspapers and magazines, milk and juice cartons and steel and aluminum cans, including aerosols
- Motor oil and cooking oil
- Batteries
- Steel
- Non-ferrous metals (ie. aluminium, brass, copper, and alloys)
- Soil
- Mobile phones and accessories
- Printer and fax cartridges
- Empty chemical containers (DrumMUSTER)
- Quality second-hand goods

Greenwaste and flattened cardboard are free* for domestic users.

Other recyclable items:

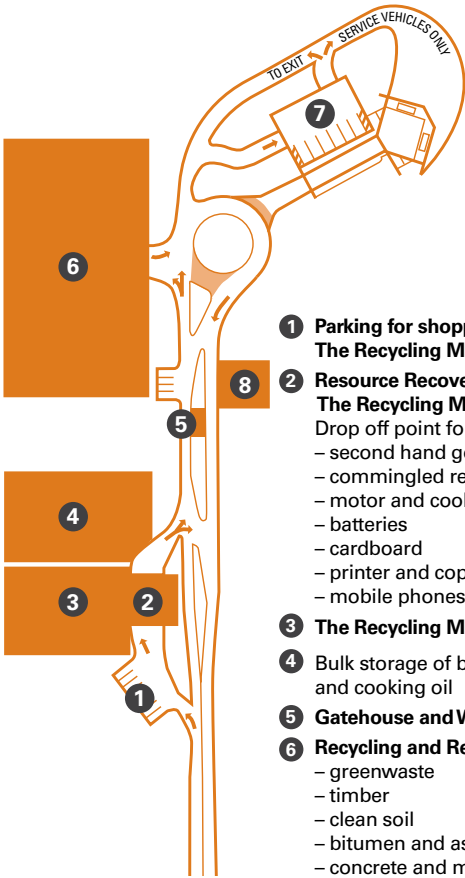
The following items attract a fee* but are significantly less than the fees for disposal and should be deposited in the designated recycling areas:

- Greenwaste – fee only for commercial users
- Timber
- Masonry
- Bitumen and asphalt

Why do I need to pay?

The fees cover the cost of processing the stockpiled material into a reusable product and are significantly less than the fees for disposal.

* Council fees and charges subject to change.



- 1** Parking for shopping at The Recycling Market
- 2** Resource Recovery Area and The Recycling Market
 - second hand goods
 - commingled recyclables
 - motor and cooking oil
 - batteries
 - cardboard
 - printer and copier cartridges
 - mobile phones and accessories
- 3** The Recycling Market storage area
- 4** Bulk storage of batteries, motor oil and cooking oil
- 5** Gatehouse and Weighbridge
- 6** Recycling and Reuse stockpiles
 - greenwaste
 - timber
 - clean soil
 - bitumen and asphalt
 - concrete and masonry
 - steel and non-ferrous metals
- 7** General Waste Disposal Area
- 8** DrumMUSTER compound

Don't forget to secure and cover your load



What not to do



Good practice



The Recycling Market undercover storage area.

Shop @ The Recycling Market

One person's trash is another person's treasure!

Most saleable goods can be taken to The Recycling Market for reuse. Items such as soiled clothing, mattresses, putrescible items (ie. things that may rot or decay) or items in disrepair will not be accepted. Acceptance of items is at the discretion of the market attendant.

Goods will be offered for sale each Saturday and Sunday between 10am and 4pm, excluding public holidays. Park in the designated car parks and refer all enquiries to the market attendant.

HELPING THE COMMUNITY

25% of funds raised through the sale of goods will benefit local non-profit organisations and community groups.

Sort it. Load it. Recycle it!

- Before you load your waste, separate recyclable waste items from general waste.
- Place all general waste destined for the general waste disposal area, at the rear of your load as you will drop this off last.
- Stack piles of greenwaste, timber, soil, concrete around the sides and place any commingled recyclables, scrap metal and flattened cardboard on the top.
- Items for The Recycling Market should be loaded last.
- Cooking or motor oil should be transported in a sealed container to prevent leakage.
- Don't forget to secure and cover your load.

Sorting and segregating your load will save you time and effort at the waste disposal facility.

How to use the Waste and Recycling Centre

1. Before you leave

Save yourself time by sorting your load prior to leaving your home or business. Remember to secure and cover your load to prevent losing it along the way.

2. On arrival

If you have recyclable items, turn left into the Resource Recovery Facility, area 2 on the map, where there are designated areas for all recyclable materials. If there is no on-site attendant, follow the signage.

3. Exiting the Resource Recovery Facility

Either turn right to exit the Centre or should you have further items to drop off, turn left to approach the gatehouse.

4. At the weighbridge

The attendant will make note of your vehicle type and registration number and you may be asked questions about your load. If the remaining materials attract a fee, your vehicle may be weighed.

5. Once over the weighbridge

Place greenwaste, timber, concrete, masonry, clean fill and steel in the designated stockpiles.

Dispose of all remaining waste in the pit, area 7 on the map, ensuring it enters the pit and is not deposited on the apron. This waste will be taken to landfill.

6. Exiting the facility

If you were asked by the attendant to leave via the weighbridge please do so. Otherwise, you can exit the facility.



Going green!

- Increased recycling opportunities.
- Reuse of materials on-site e.g. shredded greenwaste and crushed concrete.
- On-site water harvesting for landscaping, dust suppression and fire control.

Load It



- 1** Place general waste at front of load (near the cab) as this will be deposited last.
- 2** Place timber, concrete, masonry and construction waste to the sides.
- 3** Place garden waste (greenwaste) and uncontaminated soil in the centre.
- 4** Place motor oil, cooking oil and paint tins at the rear.
- 5** Place mixed recyclables and items suitable for the Recycling Market at the rear.
- 6** Place scrap metal and flattened cardboard on the top.

Please cover and secure your load!

For more information:



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