



Commercial Waste Service



Weekly



Green Lid



Kitchen Caddy

Fortnightly



Red Lid



Yellow Lid

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The commercial and industrial sector generates around one third of waste sent to landfill.

The range of businesses in Wagga Wagga are varied, however waste audits indicate there are opportunities overall to divert waste generated in the commercial sector away from landfill.

The commercial waste service introduces a fortnightly mixed recycling bin as part of the standard service. This supports businesses to separate mixed recycling from general waste.

Businesses can also access a weekly food organics and garden organics (FOGO) collection. This would be particularly suited to businesses that generate a lot of food organics and garden organics including, but not limited to, food outlets, childcare centres or canteens.

The general waste bin will be collected fortnightly on the alternate week to the recycling bin collection.

Can I add on more services?

Depending on the needs of your business, you may wish to opt in to additional services. Options include:

- Food organics and garden organics (FOGO) – weekly collection
- General waste – additional fortnightly collection
- Recycling – additional fortnightly collection
- Upsize to 360 litre recycling – fortnightly collection.

Contact Council's Customer Service team on 1300 292 442 to discuss options and pricing.

Recycling

FORTNIGHTLY COLLECTION

Fact: Research conducted by Planet Ark indicated that 80 per cent of employees would like to see recycling in their workplace, and that three out of four businesses believe good waste management reflects positively on their company.

Business bite

Did you know that the Australian hairdressing industry generates over one million kilograms of foil waste each year?* Aluminium foil is 100 per cent recyclable and can be recycled for ever and ever and ever without losing quality! Simply roll the foil into tennis ball sized bundles and add them to your recycling bin.

Helpful tip

Shredded paper can't go in the recycling bin as the material is too small and cannot be picked up by the machinery at the material recovery facility. If your business generates a lot of shredded paper, consider adding on a food organics and garden organics (FOGO) service as shredded paper is a perfect addition to compost!



Cartons



Glass



Aluminium



Cans & metal tins



Hard plastics



Paper & cardboard

General Waste

FORTNIGHTLY COLLECTION

Business bite

Around half the waste generated through accommodation – such as hotels, motels and guest houses – is recyclable**. The majority of this is cardboard with a smaller proportion of mixed recycling. Allow your guests to continue their positive waste habits from home, to their home away from home, by giving them opportunities to recycle.

Helpful tip

Conduct a waste audit of your general waste bin to assess what is being thrown away and to see if there are opportunities to:

- Reduce the waste coming into your business
- Reuse any waste items
- Recycle and divert waste from landfill

The NSW Environment Protection Authority has a free audit tool which you can find through:
www.epa.nsw.gov.au/bintrim



Soft plastics

Wrappers
& packets

Nappies

Coffee cups
(no lid)

Used tissues

Broken crockery &
drinking glasses

Bagged
waste

Food organics + garden organics (FOGO) - opt in

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Does your business generate a lot of food waste? Lots of leftover catering from those meetings? Or perhaps your business has mountains of shredded paper? A weekly food organics and garden organics (FOGO) collection may benefit your business and create beautiful compost at the same time.

To set up a weekly food organics and garden organics collection, please contact Council on 1300 292 442 to discuss your options and pricing.

Business bite

Food waste is undoubtedly the biggest waste type in restaurants and cafes and makes up around 60 per cent of the average bin+. A weekly food organics and garden organics collection is a positive way to see the food waste generated in your business turned into compost that is then applied to agricultural land that in turn grows the great produce you use to make all those delicious things! Contact Council on 1300 292 442 to discuss your FOGO options.



DO NOT place clothing in FOGO bin please



Meat & bones



Paper towel & newspaper



Dairy & food scraps



Garden trimmings, weeds & grass clippings

Communal bin station

Not surprisingly, commercial offices generate a lot of paper and cardboard waste; more than three-quarters of the total waste generated, in fact!

It's easy to divert this waste to recycling with the new commercial waste service. Go a step better and ensure you buy paper with recycled content.

Have you thought about making changes in your work place? It may seem daunting at first but start small and build on your successes. Try one or all of these top tips:

- Replace single-use cups with reusable cups and mugs
- Replace individual under-desk bins with a communal waste station that incorporates recycling – this reduces the number of bins that need emptying, gets staff involved with waste separation and gets them moving throughout the day
- Conduct a waste audit – it can be as simple as looking in your bin! Pick on what is the biggest offender and see if you can divert this waste from landfill through recycling, or better yet, see if there is a way to avoid that waste type coming into your business in the first place
- Chat to your colleagues, they may have some great ideas of their own.



- Council's waste education officer is also available to chat through any ideas you may have on 1300 292 442.

Resources for businesses

Who	What	More information
Bin Trim	Waste audit tool	epa.nsw.gov.au/bintrim
Cartridges for Planet Ark	Free collection box to eligible businesses	cartridges.planetark.org
Gregadoo Waste Management Centre Ashfords Road, Gregadoo	Free drop off for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cardboard • Electronic waste eg. computers, monitors • Polystyrene 	yourwaste.com.au
Kurrajong Recyclers Chaston Street, Wagga Wagga	Drop off for electronic waste eg. computers, monitors, peripherals (fees may apply)	(02) 6925 5004
Mobile Muster	Collection of old mobile phones	mobilemuster.com.au
Planet Ark	Research and tools for business recycling	businessrecycling.com.au
Responsible cafés	Support and promotion if you offer discounts for BYO cup	responsiblecafes.org

Is your business in the business of recycling?

If there is a waste you take, then we would love to know. Help us build our local directory of waste disposal and recycling options to help fellow businesses. To get your business added email council@wagga.nsw.gov.au with the details.

* refoil.com.au

** epa.nsw.gov.au