

Message from the Mayor

To accommodate the rapid and continuing development of Ipswich, Ipswich City Council has changed the recycling and refuse bin collection days.

To see if your suburb has been affected please check the new 2006/2007 Recycle Calendar for the bin collection day and recycling week for your area.

This change will commence on Monday 3 July 2006 and will remain in place until further notice.

The Riverview Recycling and Refuse Centre has also been upgraded to encourage recycling and minimise the impact of waste on our environment.

This brochure outlines the new facilities at the centre and how to use them.

Ipswich City Council is committed to retaining and enhancing our natural and built environment through sustainable use for current and future generations.



Cr Paul Pisasale
Mayor of the City of Ipswich

Changes at Riverview Recycling and Refuse Centre

The Riverview Recycling and Refuse Centre has undergone a major transformation to convert the existing site from an old-fashioned public waste disposal facility to a modern, leading-edge resource recovery centre.

The existing landfill facility in Ipswich has a limited operational life and as the population of Ipswich grows, so do the volumes of domestic waste.

To maximise the life of the existing facility, Council is implementing strategies such as kerbside recycling services to divert waste away from landfill and conducting waste minimisation education programs focusing on the 3R's - Reduce, Reuse, Recycle.

This Ipswich City Council project is aimed at making it as easy as possible for residents to recycle their waste by promoting resource recovery to reduce landfill.

The Centre now has:

- a new green waste collection zone for the disposal of green waste and timber for recycling
- a recycling drop-off zone
- a concrete and dirt drop-off zone
- new, easy-to-read signs around the site showing how to use the facility and providing clear direction to each of the waste and recycling zones
- a safety barrier at the waste pit edge for the safety of all site users.

What can be recycled at Riverview Recycling and Refuse Centre?

Please recycle the following items at the designated recycling zones:

- green waste (such as tree prunings, branches, leaves and lawn clippings)
- dirt and concrete
- oil and chemicals
- car batteries
- paint
- white goods (such as fridges, freezers, and other electrical items)
- steel and metal
- paper and cardboard
- glass bottles and aluminium cans
- plastic containers.

Any other waste should be placed in the waste pit.

Sort your recycling and refuse

To make it easier to deposit waste in the correct zones, it is a good idea to sort your waste prior to arriving at the recycling and refuse centre. All waste must be covered to prevent littering.

Discount for Ipswich residents

Effective from 1 September 2006, when you use any of Council's Recycling and Refuse Centres, you will need to show the attendant a driver's licence as proof of residency.

Only Ipswich residents will receive the discounted waste disposal charge.

Conditions of entry

For everyone's safety, all users of the facility must agree to:

- follow all directions given by staff
- place all recyclable/reusable materials in the designated areas
- ensure children under 14 years of age and pets remain in vehicles at all times
- wear enclosed footwear at all times whilst inside the facility
- not place hazardous or recyclable items in the pit
- not scavenge through the refuse in the waste pit or recyclable items
- not smoke while in the centre
- not enter the waste pit.

Bin collection days and recycling weeks

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3 R's: Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

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