

Residential Waste Services





Sustainable Waste Management

Ipswich Waste Services (IWS) and the city's refuse and recycling centres are all about sustainability. With that in mind Council introduced 360L green waste bins in July 2016. The move means residents can order a 240L or 360L bin, with existing customers being able to upgrade their 240L bin for the larger alternative.

More than 16,645 Ipswich households already have a green waste bin, helping to divert about 10 per cent of domestic waste from landfill. The bins are specifically designed for storing organic matter like garden prunings, grass clippings, shrubs, weeds, foliage, raw and cooked fruit and vegetable scraps, egg shells, tea bags, coffee beans, bread and paper smaller than A4 size.

Don't forget the Ipswich Bin App is available at the App Store and Google Play. The free app has some great features including bin day reminders, waste sorting tips and information about other events and services in your area.

This booklet is another great resource with everything you need to know about your standard domestic wheelie bin, recycling options and the location of our refuse and recycling centres. Together we can continue to make Ipswich the clean, green city we all know and love.

IWS is a commercial business unit of Ipswich City Council that provides facilities and services to meet your waste and recycling needs.

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Bin Collection Services



240L
General
Waste Bin



240L
Recycling
Bin



240L
Green Waste
Bin

Every week Ipswich City Council collects waste and recycling from over 100,000 households.

Households are provided with a wheelie bin for general waste disposal and a second wheelie bin with a yellow lid for recyclables only. A green waste bin service is also available from Council for an additional charge.

Bins need to be placed out for collection before 6.00 am (5.00 am on public holidays) on the day of your scheduled collection in a position that is suitable for the truck to service the bin.

Bins must be returned to their storage location before the end of the next day after collection.

To check the day and week your bins are serviced, refer to your bin collection calendar by visiting ipswich.qld.gov.au/waste or download the Ipswich Bin App by visiting ipswich.qld.gov.au/waste





General Waste Bin Service

Waste goes in the red-top bin

While some households may still have the green-top general waste bin, all new houses are now provided with a 240L red-top general waste bin.

The collection service is provided weekly and is for general household waste only, such as disposable nappies and plastic bags.

It is not suitable for recyclables or garden waste. Recyclable items should be placed into the yellow recycling bin and food organics and garden organics into the organics bin.

240L
General
Waste Bin





Green Waste Bin Service

Compostable items go in the green-top bin

Council offers all Ipswich residents a great value and convenient green waste bin service, turning your grass clippings, prunings, leaves, fruits and vegetables into compost.

The service also accepts scrap waste paper that can't be recycled in the yellow recycling bin such as shredded paper, shopping docket, paper towel and tissues.

When commencing a new green waste service, residents will receive a green waste bin with a lime green lid from IWS. The organic material from this bin will be collected from your home on a fortnightly basis and then mulched and turned into compost at a local composting facility.

240L
Green Waste Bin



360L
Green Waste Bin





Recycling Bin Service

Recycling goes in the yellow-top bin

Recycling at home is simple. Only plastic, paper, metal or cardboard boxes can go in the yellow recycling bin.

Plastic bags cannot be recycled in this service, so place all recyclable items loosely in the bin.

240L
Recycling
Waste Bin





Glass Recycling Stations

Don't let a good thing go to waste

Empty glass bottles and jars are 100% recyclable.

That is why we want to separate glass bottles and jars from the yellow-top bins to make it better to recycle. Glass is one of the few packaging products that can be reused and recycled repeatedly without any loss in quality. Using recycled glass to make new bottles and jars uses fewer raw materials and reduces carbon emissions.

Taking glass out of the kerbside yellow-top bin recycling service makes the remaining materials more valuable. Paper, plastic, cardboard, cans and tins contaminated by glass fines are more difficult to recycle and have a lower value when sold for manufacturing than clean, uncontaminated material.

Council continues to investigate convenient locations across Ipswich.

Find your nearest glass recycling station at [ipswich.qld.gov.au/glass](https://www.ipswich.qld.gov.au/glass)





Skip Hire

Save loads of trips to the tip

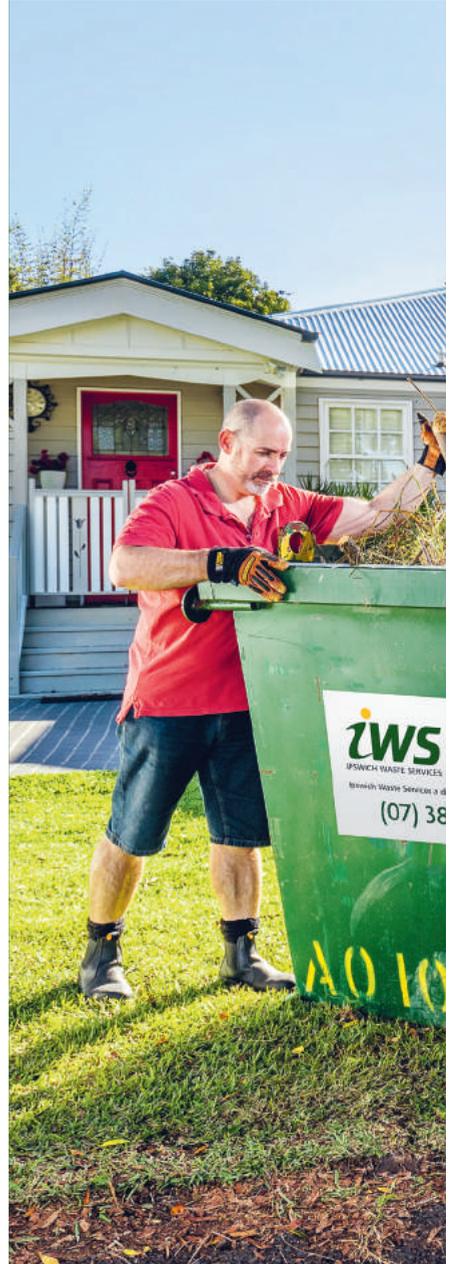
Renovating your home? Doing a big garden clean-up? Hiring a skip makes any job quick, easy and affordable. All of your waste is removed at once, saving you multiple trips to the tip and the labour, costs and time that go with it.

Our skips come in a range of sizes to suit your needs and we deliver and collect. **Book your skip online** so you can focus on the job that needs doing – let IWS handle the rest.

Book online at Ipswichskiphire.com.au

6m³ Skip

16m³ Skip







Ipswich Bin App

Never miss your bin day again

Find out when your rubbish bin gets collected and if it's your recycling or green waste week.

The app has some great features for residents including bin day reminders and waste sorting tips, and also provides important information on other events and services coming up in your area.

Sort your waste using the Ipswich Bin App

Download the Ipswich Bin App to find out what items can go into your recycling, general waste and green waste bin. The app takes the confusion out of waste sorting so you can be confident your waste is going in the right bin.

To download, simply visit
Ipswich.qld.gov.au/waste







The 4Rs of Zero Waste

Refuse what you don't need:

- Say no to single-use products or packaging that will end up in your trash.
- Put up a "No junkmail" sign on your letterbox or opt out online.
- Buy responsibly and sustainably.
- Ask yourself:
 - Do I really need this item?
 - How long will this item last?
 - How often will I use this item?
 - Where was this item made and how?

Reduce what you use:

- Go for quality over quantity and use items that stand the test of time.
- Choose reusable over disposable products.
- Shop smart and use a list to avoid impulse/unsustainable purchases.
- Reduce food waste by freezing or making meals from leftovers.
- Remember: If you won't use it more than 20 times, don't buy it!

Reuse whenever you can:

- Re-use, repurpose and repair items instead of throwing them away.
- Think creatively and use old items for DIY and arts and crafts projects.
- Donate unwanted items like clothes and toys to local charities.
- Share, loan and borrow what you can among family and friends.
- Choose to repair rather than upgrade.

Recycle wherever possible:

- Keep sorting the basics and remember the Recycle 4. (paper, plastic, cardboard, cans/tins).
- Separate rubbish in your home and have a recycle bin in your kitchen.
- Research recyclables by downloading the Ipswich Bin App. (ipswich.qld.gov.au/ipswichbinapp)
- Buy products made from recycled materials.
- Invest in a green waste bin or composting system and recycle organic waste into fertiliser.



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