

WASTE COLLECTION POLICY

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Applicable to Unit(s):	Natural Environment and Parks
Responsible Officer:	Manager Natural Environment and Parks Coordinator Waste and Sustainability
Related Policies:	Nil
Related Documents:	Waste Collection Maps
Statutory Reference:	<i>Local Government Act 2020</i> <i>Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008</i>

OVERVIEW

Under the provisions of the *Local Government Act 2020* and the *Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008*, Council has the authority/obligation to implement a municipal garbage collection service.

The purpose of this policy is to describe the properties to which a garbage service is provided as per the Council declared areas defined in the Waste Collection Maps.

THE POLICY

The kerbside waste collection service is applicable to all properties within the declared areas as follows:

- Residential properties.
- Commercial properties: except where prima facie evidence exists that the commercial property in question has a garbage collection from a commercial waste collection operator.
- Temporary dwellings: are exempt from the service but can request a regular collection. Standard Council garbage charges apply.
- Vacant lots: as per Temporary Dwellings above.
- Non rateable properties are exempt from the service but can elect to receive a regular garbage collection. Standard Council garbage charges apply.
- Not for Profit organisations, administered by community based voluntary boards, whose primary purpose is to provide accommodation for elderly citizens are exempt from the service but can elect to receive a regular garbage collection (partial or full). Standard Council garbage charges apply.
- Charitable organisations: no exemptions apply.

Additional Services

Residents can apply for consideration and assessment of additional sets of bins (120ltr Garbage and 240ltr Recycling) - standard Council garbage charges apply.

Special medical circumstances

Subject to meeting the definition (as described below) residents can apply for an additional rubbish and/or recycling bin - no additional fees apply.

Definitions

Garbage collection: weekly kerbside garbage collection, fortnightly kerbside recycling collection and annual hard waste collection.

Non rateable land: as per the definition contained in section 154 of the *Local Government Act 1989*.

Not for Profit: as per the definition of the Australian Tax Office.

Special medical circumstances: households with special medical requirements confirmed in writing by a specialist medical professional (each case will be individually assessed as to how it meets the criteria).

HUMAN RIGHTS

Wellington Shire Council is committed to upholding the Human Rights principles as outlined in the *Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006 (Vic)* and referred to in Council's Human Rights Policy. The Human Rights Checklist has been completed and this policy accords with Council's policy commitment to uphold human rights principles.

REVISION HISTORY

VERSION	DATE	MAJOR / MINOR UPDATE	SUMMARY OF CHANGES
1.0	December 2022	Not applicable	No changes applicable at this review
1.1	December 2023	Minor	Date of Next Review updated to: December 2024 Minor formatting changes