

Having a clear out?

Find out how to:

- use communal bins
- report flytipping and dumping
- get rid of unwanted items.

What you need to know
What you need to do

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Help keep our streets clean and safe by getting rid of your waste responsibly. Don't dump your unwanted things in the street or beside bins – it's illegal!

It costs Council Tax payers in Edinburgh £10 million every year to clear up dumped items and litter from streets and public places.



If you're having a clear out, doing some DIY or need to get rid of large unwanted items, such as furniture, there are lots of easy ways for you to dispose of your waste.

Dumping any kind of waste in the street, beside bins, in stairwells, public spaces or on other people's property is illegal. It also blocks access to pavements and bins, encourages people to litter and attracts vermin.

Service	Types of item	Info	Contact details
National Re-use Phone line	Reusable beds, sofas, fridges, tables, chairs, bikes etc	If you have items in good condition which can be reused, a local reuse charity will collect them for free.	0800 0665 820 www.recycleforscotland.com/donate-re-use-line-now
Bulky uplifts	Mattresses, furniture, TVs, washing machines, fridges, carpets etc	This Council service will collect large bulky items that can't be reused for a fee of £5 per item.	www.edinburgh.gov.uk/bulkywaste
Household Waste Recycling Centre	Mattresses, wood, furniture, electrical items, car batteries, textiles, cooking oils, light bulbs, fridges, garden waste, bricks, rubble, hard plastics, metal, tyres, etc	There are three recycling centres in the city which accept most types of waste and recycling. There is no charge for using these centres.	www.edinburgh.gov.uk/recyclingcentres Bankhead Avenue, Sighthill, EH11 4EA Fillyside Road, Seafield, EH7 6RD Old Dalkeith Road, Craigmillar, EH16 4TB
Charity shops	Clothes, jewellery, books/ DVDs/CDs, small electricals, homewares, kitchen equipment, toys etc	Local charity shops will accept unwanted items that are in good condition.	www.changeworks.proggable.com/



If you're caught dumping items (flytipping) you'll be fined £200.

*Find out how to report dumping on our website
www.edinburgh.gov.uk/flytipping*



Communal bins

The Council offers communal bin collections for all residents. You should use these bins for your everyday recycling and household waste, but some larger items need to be collected separately.

You can use communal recycling bins for a variety of standard household recycling, including food, plastics, paper, packaging, tins/cans, glass bottles and jars and more. Our Household Waste Recycling Centres also take lots of materials that cannot be recycled in communal bins, such as electrical items, rubble, furniture and much more.

Landfill bins are available for non-recyclable waste.

Overflowing bins

If your nearest communal bin is full, please don't leave your bin bags and recycling next to the bin or on the street. Instead take your waste to the next bin and let us know the bin is full by reporting it on our website edinburgh.gov.uk/overflowingbin

Use our online map to find your nearest communal bin
www.edinburgh.gov.uk/recycle



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