Refuse disposal Fees and services





How much does it cost?

Your refuse disposal fees solely depend on the size of the residual waste bin. You can adjust the size of your paper, recycling and biodegradable waste bins to your personal needs for no additional cost.

Fees for the residual waste container per month		
Container size	Full service*	Part service**
80 litres	18,80 euros	16.73 euros
120 litres	28,20 euros	25.09 euros
240 litres	56,40 euros	50.19 euros
770 litres	180,95 euros	180,95 euros
1.100 litres	258,50 euros	258,50 euros

^{*} Full service

^{**} Part service in Hohenwettersbach, Neureut and Wettersbach for containers with a capacity of up to 240 litres.

Collection frequency of waste bins	
Residual waste bin	every 2 weeks
Bin for recyclables	every 2 weeks
Paper waste bin	every four weeks
Organic waste bin	weekly

For properties connected to an automated vacuum waste collection system (pneumatic refuse collection), the unit of account is the 120 l residual waste bin.

The fees for skips and other services can be found online at www.karlsruhe.de/abfall, or you can enquire by telephone by calling the citizen services line 115.

Too much refuse?

If you have too much residual waste or recyclable waste, you can purchase special plastic bags with "Abfallsack der Stadt Karlsruhe" [City of Karlsruhe refuse bag] printed on for 4,50 euros each. On collection day, please place the filled bags next to the refuse bins.

We also accept sorted recyclable material at our new recycling centres for free. The Nordbeckenstraße 1 and Maybachstraße 10 b recycling centres also accepts residual waste from private households for a fee of 10 euros for each half cubic metre started. Waste paper can also be disposed of through the street collection.

You can save money

- Carefully separate recyclable material, paper and biodegradable waste from the residual waste. You will be astonished by how little residual waste remains. Maybe you could even swap to a smaller residual waste bin?
- Share the waste containers with your neighbours. That saves space — and in particular with residual waste — money.
- If everyone who uses the property composts the biodegradable waste from the kitchen and garden at home, they will all receive a discount on the residual waste fee.
- Separate your waste correctly! If you fill the waste container incorrectly, then the City of Karlsruhe has to arrange a special collection. That costs 136.60 euros per journey. With residual waste, the cost amounts to 11,9 percent of the monthly fee for each container.

You need to know

- You can get recycling bins and residual waste bins in 80, 120, 240, 770 and 1,100 litre sizes.
- You can get paper bins in 120, 240, 770 and 1.100 litre sizes.
- You can get biodegradable waste bins in 80, 120 and 240 litre sizes. Please remember that the biodegradable waste bin is only for biodegradable waste from the kitchen.
- You can dispose of small quantities of non-woody green waste in the municipal organic waste bins available at the property.
- You can compost larger quantities and woody green wastes yourself or take them to our green waste containers.
- Only the homeowners or the homeowner's administrative representatives are authorised to make changes to the waste container situation.

Changes can either be made by post, online at www.karlsruhe.de/abfall or over the telephone by calling 0721 133-7083 or 133-7024.

Please remember to give your customer number to the municipal utilities. The same goes for when you request a deduction for self-composting.

The services you get for your money*

- Emptying of your recycling and residual waste bins every 14 days
- Emptying of your paper waste bin every four weeks
- Weekly emptying of your organic waste bin. Cleaning of your biodegradable waste bin twice a year
- Set-up of waste containers provided by the City of Karlsruhe
- 22 green waste containers and 2 composting facilities for your green waste
- Christmas tree collection at the turn of the year
- Compost from the composting facilities, up to one cubic metre per year for free
- Hazardous waste collection at two collection points
- Mobile harmful waste collection in areas of the city
- Leaf bag collection from your house in autumn: Leaf bags cost 50 cents/bag, we take away bundled twigs for free
- Free collection of your large electrical appliances upon demand twice a year directly from your home. Please do not leave as bulky waste!
- Free collection of your bulky waste twice a year: A bulky waste street collection appointment and an appointment upon request. The bulky waste amount is limited to 4 cubic metres per collection.
- Nine recycling centres, up to a cubic meter of recyclable materials from private households per year for free
- Waste glass containers at over 300 locations
- Old textile containers at over 200 locations
- Battery collection containers at over 330 locations
- Exchange and give-away market at tauschmarkt.karlsruhe.de
- Information about refuse and the refuse collection calendar can be found at www.karlsruhe.de/abfall
- Free hotline citizen services line 115
- A fee is charged for the disposal of certain refuse such as construction waste, materials which contain asbestos, residual waste and for the acceptance of bulky waste

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