



Recycling and refuse collection services

A design guide for developers

This leaflet provides information on the Council's requirements for the waste and recycling service.

It includes information on:

- Size of collection vehicles
- Size and cost of containers
- Storage of containers
- Access for the collection crews

Individual households - recycling and refuse collection



Paper, Card & Cartons	Glass, Cans & Plastic Bottles	Garden & Food Waste	Residual Domestic Waste	Street Food Waste
Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume	Volume
240 litres	240 litres	240 litres	140 litres	23 litres
Dimensions	Dimensions	Dimensions	Dimensions	Dimensions
Height 1100mm	Height 1100mm	Height 1100mm	Height 1100mm	Height 405mm
Width 580mm	Width 580mm	Width 580mm	Width 480mm	Width 320mm
Depth 740mm	Depth 740mm	Depth 740mm	Depth 560mm	Depth 400mm
Height lid open 1700mm	Height lid open 1700mm	Height lid open 1700mm	Height lid open 1650mm	Height lid open 630mm
Floor Space	Floor Space	Floor Space	Floor Space	Floor Space
Width 780mm	Width 780mm	Width 780mm	Width 680mm	Width 320mm
Depth 940mm	Depth 940mm	Depth 940mm	Depth 760mm	Depth 400mm

Requirements for safely storing containers:

- Households with a garden will receive a paper, card & cartons bin; a glass, cans & bottles bin; garden & food waste bin and also a residual bin. The space required to store all four of these bins is: Height 1700mm, Width 3020mm & Depth 940mm.
- Households without a garden will receive a paper, card & cartons bin; a glass, cans & bottles bin; food waste caddy and also a residual bin. The space required to store all four of these bins is: Height 1700mm, Width 2560mm & Depth 940mm

Requirements for safe, economic and efficient collection:

- Gradients not to exceed 1:14. Gradients exceeding 1:14 make it inaccessible and dangerous to collect wheeled containers.
- Collections are carried out weekly. Collection of each waste stream frequency will vary.
- There may be a combination of up to three wheeled bins present per collection.
- Overhead service cables/pipes must be at least 6m from ground level to allow operation of the lifting gear on the collection vehicle.

Bin Charging

- The cost of a full set of 4 x wheelie bins, plus 1 x kitchen caddy for a standard garden property is currently in the region of £110 per property. Prices may vary for other properties - contact us to order the bins.
- Developers would be expected to cover the cost of delivery and supply of all bins for properties.
- At all times the bins remain the property of Tameside Council.
- Visit the website for individual charges for all bin types.

A guide to the number of containers needed for recycling and refuse collections from flats

Bin Storage at flats and houses of multiple occupancy

- Indoor bins stores must comply with all fire regulations; ventilation and a fire door are recommended in line with BS5906.
- The floor surface of the bin store should be hard standing and drainage is recommended. The surface outside the bin store should be hard standing with a clear smooth pathway from the bin store to the highway to allow the operatives to approach in the vehicle to carry out the collection.
- Doors/gates of the bin store need to be 250mm wider than the largest container.
- We recommend that if a bin store is in a car park, the area outside the bin store has a yellow hatched area. Parking spaces in front of the bin store often prevent collection of waste.
- Where a bin store is higher than the highway a dropped kerb should be in place to allow the collection crew to manoeuvre the bin to the collection vehicle safely.
- We recommend there is adequate lighting in stores; for outdoor bin stores, solar powered lights are a low carbon, low usage cost solution. We also recommend space for clear signage both in and outside the bin store.
- Where there are locked gates or doors to the property please provide access codes for key pads. (Please note we will not be responsible for keys).

Waste containers for apartments/flats should allow for a minimum of 140 litres paper and cardboard bin; 180 litres of glass, cans & plastic bottles; 140 litres of residual waste and 23 litres for food waste for each apartment/ flat.

Waste containers for houses of multiple occupancy (HMO) are only allowed one bin of each waste stream. This will not be sufficient for a HMO and therefore using the same calculation for an apartment/flat should be used on the actual capacity required and a commercial waste contract should be in place by the landlord.

It is recommended that advice is sought from Environmental Management at Tameside Council before finalising storage plans for any development of a multiple occupancy nature, including apartments and flats.

Contact: recycling@tameside.gov.uk

The Collection Vehicles

Length 11 metres
Turning circle needed 15.25 metres.
Width 2.75 metres
Height 4.5 metres
Weight 26 tonnes

Man hole covers and road surface need to be capable of withstanding fully laden vehicle.



Apartments and Flats – recycling and refuse collection service

Domestic & Recycling Containers

Volume

1100 litres 500 litres

Dimensions

Height 1380mm	Height 1080mm
Width 1270mm	Width 1270mm
Depth 1000mm	Depth 770mm

Floor Space (please allow space for residents to access container)

Width 1470mm	Width 1470mm
Depth 1185mm	Depth 955mm

Tameside Borough Council's Recycling and Refuse Collection Policy

Only recycling and refuse containers that are authorised by the council will be emptied.

Any extra waste left on top of the bin or at the side of the residual domestic bin will not be collected.

The lids must be closed with no waste on top of the bins or in front of the bins.

All recycling and refuse collections start from 7am.

All recycling and refuse collections operate on Bank Holidays except on Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Years Day.

Charges for bins are subject to annual review.

Collections from individual households are made from the front of the property. Bins are to be placed at the edge of the property for collection.

In situations where collections cannot be made from the front of the householder's property then the council will (in order to maintain economic and efficient collections) identify another agreed collection point.

Collection from flats and multiple occupancy properties are made from specified location agreed with the Council.

Access to the bins are required from 7am to 5pm, Monday to Saturday.

Other Considerations include:

Is the access road leading to the property or properties wide enough for the collection vehicle?

Are there any overhanging trees or vegetation which may prevent the vehicle from operating safely.

If the vehicle must stop on the highway to empty the containers, is it safe to do so?

In the case of temporary road surfaces, it may be the case that on health and safety grounds and to prevent damage to our vehicles and the road surface, that new occupiers are asked to present their bins at a collection point at the nearest adopted highway.

If the crew must wheel the containers on the highway for emptying, is there a dropped kerb to enable the operatives to do this safely?

Contact Us

We provide free information and advice. Please contact us for more information and to purchase bins.

 www.tameside.gov.uk/refuseandrecycling

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