

Most Household Waste Recycling Sites offer re-use or recycling facilities for the following materials:

- Bric-a-brac
- Newspapers and magazines
- Cans and plastic bottles
- Cardboard and paper
- Electrical goods
- Furniture
- Glass bottles and jars
- Green garden waste
- Scrap metals
- Textiles
- Wood (untreated)
- Tyres

The following materials classed as Household Hazardous Waste can also be taken to your nearest HWRS:

- Engine oil
- Fridges and freezers
- Car batteries
- Household batteries
- Fluorescent tubes
- Gas bottles
- Household chemicals (pesticides, preservatives, antifreeze, thinners etc)
- Televisions and Monitors



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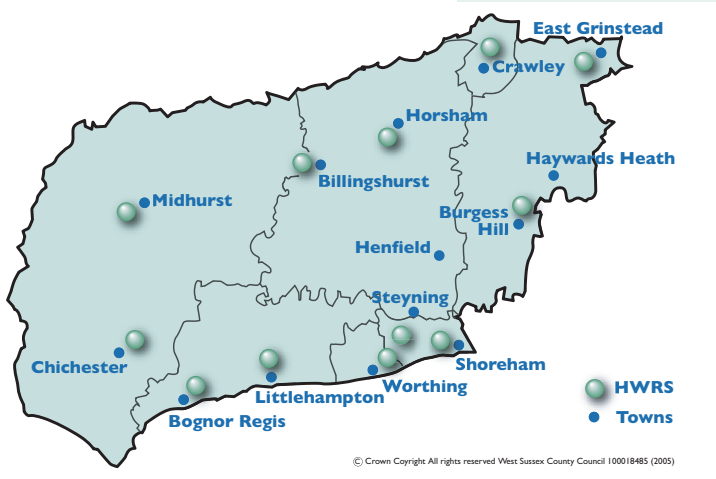


Using Your Household Waste Recycling Sites



Household Waste Recycling Site Management Policy

The County Council provides Household Waste Recycling Sites (HWRSs) to give householders the opportunity of safely disposing of waste and delivering recyclable items, which complement local authorities refuse collection services. The HWRSs act as key facilities in our aims to reduce landfill demand. In 2004, 44% of the waste delivered to the sites was recycled. This leaflet tells you what you need to know about using your nearest HWRS.



Due to legislative constraints and high demands on HWRSs, there are a number of restrictions in place at the sites to ensure the best possible service can be provided. Viridor Waste Management operates the sites on behalf of WSCC and they are responsible for implementing the Household Waste Recycling Site Management Policy.

Depositing waste at a Household Waste Recycling Site – What are the rules?

For the use of householders only

Only householder's waste can be accepted at HWRSs and must be delivered to the site by the person who produced the waste. Disposing of trade waste at HWRSs is against the law and is in breach of the consents regulating these facilities. It means extra costs for local council taxpayers and it leads to health and safety risks.

Vehicle Restrictions

- Height Restriction - vehicle height must not exceed 2.2 metres (7ft 2 inches).
- Weight restriction – gross vehicle weight must be less than 3 tonnes.
- Trailer Restriction - trailers with internal dimensions must not exceed 2.0m long x 1.3 m wide. (6ft 5 inches x 4ft 2 inches).



Other facilities are available throughout the county where vehicles over the above restrictions will be accepted. These currently include sites at Burgess Hill, East Grinstead, Sompting and Westhampnett, please check for details, (see overleaf).

Construction and Demolition Waste - 200kg weight limit

- Only small amounts of householder's DIY waste can be accepted.
- This includes rubble, bricks, fencing, doors, window frames, soil and masonry regardless of the source.
- 200kg is approximately equal to a small car boot or domestic trailer load. This limit applies to all users regardless of the vehicle.
- If you are undertaking a DIY project that is going to produce a large amount of Construction and Demolition Waste then you will need to make arrangements to dispose of the waste yourself.

As a County Council we do not have a legal duty to dispose of this type of waste and the sites are not designed to deal with large amounts of Construction and Demolition Waste.

Options for disposal of Construction and Demolition Waste

- Hire a skip
- Deliver the waste to a trade/private waste facility
- Contact your District Borough Council – they may offer a bulky waste collection service for some types of waste.

Using Commercial Vehicles or Trailers

If you use a commercial vehicle or trailer to take waste to a Household Waste Recycling Site, you can expect to be questioned about the source of the waste by site operatives. To meet legal requirements, you may be asked to complete a disclaimer form, stating what the waste is and where it comes from. Staff will turn away any vehicle that they believe is carrying trade waste. Drivers who give false information about the waste they are trying to leave may face legal action.

The above restrictions are strictly enforced for the following reasons:

- To minimise trade waste entering the sites, it is against the law to dispose of waste produced in the course of a business at a HWRS. Most trade vehicles are larger vehicles/vans and trailers.
- To allow site users safe access to the site, - larger vehicles can cause Health and Safety problems for other users.

How are the rules enforced?

These rules are enforced strictly by the site operators on behalf of the County Council. Please take time to become familiar with them. It is in the interests of us all to make sure the sites are used just to take in household waste, and not for other purposes. The benefit will be a faster and more efficient disposal and recycling service for every household.

Staff who operate the sites are checking that the waste they take in does actually come from householders and not from building sites or other trade sources. This is why you may be stopped and asked where your waste comes from. If your vehicle is carrying waste that a Household Waste Recycling Site cannot accept, staff can advise you about the nearest location that can take in such waste. The County Council will investigate and can prosecute any person found to be illegally dumping waste at a Household Waste Recycling Site.

Minimise Rubbish Maximise Recycling

A vast number of materials can either be reused or recycled before they need to be thrown away. The HWRSs provide a valuable service by offering facilities for a large range of waste materials.

