

SOLID WASTE



Assisted Kerbside Recycling for Schools Programme

Information and Application Form

Introduction

The Assisted Kerbside Recycling for Schools Programme is designed to support education about recycling and encourage students to actively participate by recycling the waste they produce at school.

To support these initiatives, as well as the New Zealand Curriculum's sustainability values, the Council makes a free kerbside recycling collection service available to early learning centres and schools inside the kerbside collection area, who would otherwise not be eligible.

Recycling bins

The Council provides bins for recycling, organic and rubbish collection as part of its kerbside collection service. This application form only covers requests to provide additional 240 litre recycling bins free of charge for schools (this includes early learning centres) located inside the Council's kerbside collection area.

Each early learning centre and school accepted for the programme is entitled to a maximum of one 240 litre recycling bin per three classrooms, or 75 students, in addition to one bin for the school's administration area.

The bins must be kept in a secure setting on the school grounds, and placed at the kerbside outside the school for collection by 7am on collection days. The road or street must be one that is serviced by the Council (i.e. not a private access way or parking area).

As recycling is a fortnightly collection, the bins will be clearly labelled with the collection day for that bin (i.e. the scheduled Collection Week and day of the week). A calendar is available online at waimakariri.govt.nz/services/recycling-rubbish-and-organics/kerbside-collections showing the weeks the bin will be emptied.

Schools located inside the 'urban' kerbside collection area can request Council-provided 240 litre organics bins to take materials that they cannot compost on-site, and all schools inside our service areas can also opt into the Council's rubbish collection service for more than one 140 litre rubbish bin. As these are optional services, charges will apply.

Part-charges will apply if organics and/or rubbish bins are requested part-way through the financial year (1 July to 30 June), and the targeted rate for each bin will be charged to the school as from 1 July on the following year. The current rates for these services can be found on our website at waimakariri.govt.nz/services/fees-and-charges/kerbside-wheelie-bins-fees-and-charges. Please contact our customer services team on 0800 965 468 or by emailing office@wmk.govt.nz to enquire about how you can order organics or rubbish bins for your school.

It is expected that schools would practice sustainability by composting organic materials on-site, implementing and maintaining worm farms or utilising EM Bokashi for food waste.

The recycling bins must not be used for any other purpose than containing recyclable materials for the kerbside collection service, and must remain intact, unmodified and unadorned.

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Using your recycling bins

- The bins need to be at the kerbside by 7am to ensure collection
- Only clean recycling listed on the enclosed flyer is accepted. All items should be loose in the bin (including paper and cardboard) with no lids
- Bins must weigh less than 70kg
- All bin lids must be closed to ensure collection (items next to the bin will not be collected)
- If your bin has not been collected and you are unsure why, please call the Council's Customer Services on 0800 965 468 or visit waimakariri.govt.nz

Paper recycling crates

Many schools will have received paper recycling bins from the Paper4trees programme, which act as a visual reminder and are for collecting paper and cardboard in the classroom before transporting it to the school's paper and cardboard recycling container(s). Paper and cardboard can also be placed in the kerbside recycling bin.

Educational material

A recycling bin lid sticker will outline the items that can be accepted, and a poster version is available to further reinforce the information. Let us know if you would like us to provide dual language (Te Reo & English) stickers for use with your internal recycling processes.

The Council has contracted Eco Educate Ltd to deliver a sustainable education programme to all schools and early learning centres in the Waimakariri District. This programme covers waste minimisation, water conservation and water management and quality. Your school will already have been contacted by Eco Educate to provide you with information about the programme. For further information, or to request a classroom session or tour, contact Lesley Ottey, 027 333 1344, rethink@ecoeducate.co.nz

The Council encourages schools to nominate a staff member (principal's nominee) who will act as liaison for the Assisted Kerbside Recycling Programme. Please include the contact details of the liaison person for the school's waste minimisation education programme. Lesley will liaise with this person directly to supply materials and any new learning resources that may be developed that can be useful for reinforcing classroom learning.

For those interested in visiting the Materials Recovery Facility in Christchurch, which is where our kerbside recycling ends up, please check out Christchurch City Council's Learning Through Action website for their education for sustainability programmes at:

ccc.govt.nz/the-council/learning-resources/learning-through-action

The Learning through Action programme is supported by the Ministry of Education as a Learning Experience Outside The Classroom (LEOTC) provider.

Have you got more questions?

Find more information on our website: rethinkrubbish.co.nz or call us on 0800 965 468.

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Application Form - Assisted Kerbside Recycling for Schools Programme

If your early learning centre or school would like to join the Assisted Kerbside Recycling for Schools Programme or apply for additional equipment, please complete this application form.

Name of early learning centre or school: _____

Principal's name: _____

Office phone number: _____ Office email address: _____

Principal's nominee as liaison for assisted kerbside recycling: _____

Principal's nominee contact email address: _____

Staff liaison for Education Programme: _____

Staff liaison contact email address: _____

School street address for delivery: _____

Street kerbside location where bins are to be collected from: _____

Number of classrooms: _____ Number of students: _____

Current recycling bins

Number of recycling bins, and serial numbers: _____

Number of additional recycling bins requested

Recycling bins: _____

Please note:

A maximum of one wheelie bin per three classrooms, or 75 students, will be issued in addition to one wheelie bin for the administration area unless indicated that a lesser number is required.

Rethink Rubbish information will be provided based on the number of classrooms indicated. If you require more, please contact us: solid.waste@wmk.govt.nz

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This programme is intended to encourage students to participate in recycling and to support the New Zealand Curriculum principles and values of sustainability, community engagement and participation. It is not intended to address all the recycling needs of the early learning centre or school. The programme is not designed to dispose of all recyclable material that is produced – a commercial collection service may be required if the Council’s classroom quota of equipment above is not sufficient.

Some schools will already have contracts with private businesses to collect their recycling. The Council would still like to support these arrangements by providing bins on-site for students to put recyclables in. You can then liaise with your private contractor on the best method for collecting the recyclables from your school.

Conditions of service

1. We accept full responsibility for the safe keeping of the wheelie bins provided under the programme, which will remain the property of the contractor. Should we withdraw from the programme, all wheelie bins delivered to the school for the purposes of the programme shall be returned to the contractor.
2. Should any recycling equipment provided under the programme be damaged (accidental damage, fire or vandalism), we undertake to cover the costs associated with their repair and/or replacement.
3. We undertake to abide by the general terms of the kerbside recycling service, in that only clean acceptable material will be placed out for collection.
4. We undertake to place the wheelie bins at the kerbside for the collection contractor.
5. We accept that the Council reserves the right to refuse any applications or terminate an existing service at any time.

Assisted Kerbside Recycling Programme for Schools agreement

1. The Principal agrees to encourage all teachers, other staff and students to participate in the school’s recycling programme, and will encourage sustainable waste management policies and practices in the school’s operational and curricular activities.
2. The Assisted Kerbside Recycling Programme for Schools is a Council-provided service, where the key objective is to encourage student participation and increase understanding of recycling.

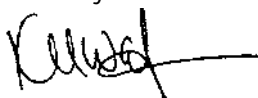
Name of Principal: _____

Principal’s signature: _____ Date: _____

PLEASE NOTE - A signature is not required if you submit this form electronically. By entering your name in the box above you are giving your authority for this application to proceed.

If you wish to join the programme or require additional bins or educational material, please complete and return to the Waimakariri District Council, Private Bag 1005, Rangiora 7440, or scan the completed form and email it to solid.waste@wmk.govt.nz

Thank you



Kitty Waghorn
Solid Waste Asset Manager

Office use only

Date assessed: _____ Number of bins approved (if approved): _____

Signature: _____