

## REFUSE DISPOSAL INFORMATION

County of Neumarkt (Landkreis Neumarkt i.d.OPf.)

### THE PROBLEM

The mountain of waste is still growing. Environmental pollution and limited space for disposal lead to problems and result in cost explosion for collection and disposal of remaining waste. Landfill sites contribute to climate change.

In order to get a grip on the problem the only solution is **refuse avoidance and recycling.**



### REFUSE AVOIDANCE IS BETTER THAN SORTING

When shopping you already determine how much refuse you will carry home with you. If you prefer filling your shopping bag with goods rather than refuse, consider the following hints:

The environment - conscious shopper prefers:

- Her/ his own reusable shopping bag
- reusable or returnable bottles
- pump sprays instead of spray cans

#### 12 good habits for reducing waste!

Opt for reusable bags	Limit use of the printer
Put a « No Junk Mail » sticker on your letterbox	Restrict printer usage
Avoid food waste	Start composting
Buy in bulk or in large-size packaging	Donate old clothing
Buy eco-rechargeable or refillable products	Borrow or hire tools
Drink tap water	Repair goods and appliances

Single use containers or wrappings - if unavoidable - should be made of recyclable materials (i.e. glass). Avoid "cheat containers" (much wrapping - little content).

The following hints should enable you to recycle the listed materials in the correct way.

## RECYCLABLE PAPER WASTE



There are two ways to dispose your paper waste.

### I. **Recycling paper bin / dumpster**

You can dispose of your recyclable waste paper in the blue-coloured paper bins/ dumpsters, which are provided to each household.

Filled paper bins / dumpsters are picked up and emptied once a month at the street. Pickup dates can be found in the Umweltkalender (recycling booklet) and in the internet ([www.landkreis-neumarkt.de/abfallwirtschaft](http://www.landkreis-neumarkt.de/abfallwirtschaft)).

### II. **Paper collections** by clubs or charitable societies. Clubs or charitable societies previously announce paper collections. You can support these organisations by collecting and bundling recyclable paper. Usually the bundled paper is disposed of at your house or yard entrance.

Recyclable Paper Waste is:

- newspapers
- magazines
- catalogues
- letter and writing papers
- cardboard (rip up before putting into the collecting containers)
- paper bags

Do not put any other waste into the blue paper bins / dumpsters

## RECYCLING GLASS



**Containers** for recycling glass are all around in the area.



This belongs into the containers for glass:

- all glass containers/ bottles used in households, empty and cleaned out (i.e. beverage bottles and jars without caps, tops or lids). **sorted by colour (green, brown and clear)**

**Please note:** red and blue glass bottles must be disposed into the container for green glass

The following things do not belong into the glass containers:

ceramics	porcelain
light bulbs	fireproof kitchen glassware
pane window glass, windscreens	

The above wastes have to be disposed of into the trashcan

## PACKING AND WRAPPING MATERIALS

All other packing and wrapping materials not consisting of plane paper or glass are collected in yellow plastic bags. These bags are distributed at the end of each year. Extra bags are also available free of charge at your local town-hall.

The following materials (lightweight packaging) belong into the yellow bags:

### CANS; TIN PLATE OR ALUMINIUM

- clean tins and cans (food and beverage cans)
- bottle caps, tops or lids if consisting of metal or plastic
- aluminium cans, tins, foils and wrapping materials

### PLASTICS

- Detergent bottles
- foils and bags (no used freezer bags)
- yoghurt cups
- foamed materials (packing styrofoam)

### COMPOSITE PACKS

- milk and juice cartons
- composite foils (i.e. coffee foil wrapping)

### Cleanliness

Rinse soiled materials to spare you from odor annoyance and to increase the effectiveness of recycling.

Filled recycling bags are picked up once a month at the street.

Recycling bags obviously containing other materials than the ones specified will be left behind.

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You will also find detailed sorting information on the internet at [www.gruener-punkt.de](http://www.gruener-punkt.de)

## ORGANIC WASTE

Do not put organic waste into the regular trashcan.

There are two ways of recycling these remnants.

1. Building a compost pile in the backyard of your house is the perfect way of recycling organic waste. If you need more information about building a compost pile, please call 09181/470-209 or the housing office.

2. If there is no way to build a compost pile, you must give your organic waste to the organic waste collection. Biodegradable collecting bags (Biobeutel) are sold in 10 piece packs in the town halls. Collecting bins are provided free by the Landratsamt. Organic waste is picked up weekly at the street. Call us for more information. If you want to participate in the organic waste collection, please call 09181/470-209. Please consider that the Organic waste collection is not performed in all the towns.

## HAZARDOUS WASTE

Hazardous waste must, under any circumstances, be separated from household refuse, as it may create hazards during any kind of processing or storing. It has to be disposed of at the >> **Problemmüllsammlung** << (Hazardous waste collection).

Pick-ups will be performed in the communities in the Landkreis Neumarkt (Neumarkt County), after being previously announced in the recycling booklet and by the local press or in the Internet ([www.landkreis-neumarkt.de/abfallwirtschaft](http://www.landkreis-neumarkt.de/abfallwirtschaft)).

### EXAMPLES FOR HAZARDOUS WASTE:

- Batteries, Accumulator Batteries, Round Cell Batteries (may also be returned to Place of Purchase),
- Medication (may also be returned to the Pharmacy),
- Thinner, Paint Brush Cleaner, Solvents,
- Acid and Lye,
- Mercury Thermometers,
- Fluorescent tubes, Energy saving Lamps,
- CFC containing **Spray Cans**,
- Paint, Varnish, Wood preservative,
- Penetrative Household Detergent,
- Disinfectant, Pesticides, Chemicals,



**Important: *Do not mix any toxic wastes* due to uncontrollable chemical reactions.**

## REMAINING REFUSE

In spite of selective and separated collection and pick-up of refuse and recyclable materials, some waste remains that must be disposed of and dumped. principle non-recyclable waste should be avoided as far as possible.

WASTE BELONGING INTO THE TRASHCAN:  
(some examples)

- disposable diapers and hygiene napkins,
- sweepings,
- cigarette butts,
- heavily soiled recyclable materials,
- sealing materials,
- foam rubber,
- worn out shoes,
- worn out and torn clothing,
- video and cassette tapes,
- light bulbs (incandescent lamps),
- ceramics and porcelain/china in small amounts,
- wallpapers,

Please consider:

Costs for the disposal of waste remnants will keep rising in the future, therefor **we all have to reduce waste** and recycle as much as possible.

**Do not overfill any trashcans or Bins or Containers.**

**Overfilled Bins will not be emptied by the refuse disposal service.**

Housing Office will provide you with further information if needed.

### Annual Fees (2019) for Refuse Disposal in the District of Neumarkt

Bin/ Container	Annual Fee	Disposal schedule
60 Liter Garbage Bin	75 €	every 2nd week
120 Liter Garbage Bin	112 €	every 2nd week
240 Liter Garbage Bin	224 €	every 2nd week
1100 Liter Garbage Container	1083 €	every 2nd week
60 Liter Organic waste Bin	48 €	weekly
120 Liter Organic waste Bin	96 €	weekly
240 Liter Organic Waste Bin	192 €	weekly
Organic waste collecting bag (Biobag)	0,40 € per Bag	weekly

Your landlord or the housing office must provide you with the stickers for the trash can. The stickers are permanently valid unless anything changes (Bin-Size, new Bin etc).

For more Information check the Internet: [www.landkreis-neumarkt.de/abfallwirtschaft](http://www.landkreis-neumarkt.de/abfallwirtschaft)