

Waste Recycling Collection Utility Charge (Initial year only)

From 1st January 2018 a Waste Recycling Collection utility charge shall be levied once for the half year 1st January to 30th June 2018. From 1st July 2018, a bi-annual basis each financial year and shall be levied on all eligible premises within the area identified on the declared serviced area map “**Whitsunday Regional – Waste Collection Areas 2017-18**”. A minimum of one (1) charge (equivalent to one (1) 240 litre wheelie bin) will be made and levied on each separate occupancy to cover the costs for collection, removal, and recycling of recyclable waste and disposal of non-recyclable residue waste from designated properties.

Council does not offer a concession on the Waste Recycling Collection utility charge for eligible premises within the serviced area, for periods in which the premises is unoccupied.

The Waste Recycling Collection utility charge will apply for the 2017/18 year to eligible properties within the area identified on the declared serviced area map “**Whitsunday Regional - Waste Collection Areas 2017/18**”. The Whitsunday waste collection areas will be delineated by area maps which will be available for inspection at the Council office during business hours or on Council’s web site.

Across the region a single charge will allow for the removal of one (1) yellow-lidded 240 litre wheelie bin of recyclable waste per fortnight or the equivalent volume by shared skip where Council has approved this type of facility. For multiple accommodation premises of any type, charges will apply as follows: one (1) charge per flat or unit, and one (1) charge per three (3) bed and breakfast rooms or part thereof.

Motel accommodation, workers accommodation, boarding houses and backpacker accommodation is identified as commercial use for the purpose of refuse disposal, and as such Waste Recycling Collection is not available to these premises.

The utility charge is intended to cover the full cost of collection and recycling of household waste, and associated costs.

This utility charge shall be subject to a rebate for pensioners. This rebate is in addition to any remission of rates provided to pensioners, where a matching state subsidy is applicable.

The owner of an eligible premises has the right to request additional waste management services which will be supplied at the appropriate charge depending on whether the request is for a regular or once-off service. Where a service is provided for only part of the year, the Waste Recycling Collection utility Charge will be levied on a pro-rata time basis. New eligible premises will be supplied a yellow-lidded 240 litre wheelie bin at no cost when construction is complete or when the premises becomes an eligible premises.

An eligible premises shall be a premises which receives a regular weekly refuse/garbage collection service and which, in the opinion of Council, is capable of receiving a regular fortnightly collection of recyclable waste in addition to the weekly refuse/garbage collection service.

Recyclable waste shall comprise only paper, cardboard, aluminium and steel cans, glass bottles and jars (of any colour) and plastic bottles bearing the Society of the Plastics Industry (SPI) codes 1 – 6 and no other waste. Council may add to the list of Recyclable waste from time to time.

Charge per service per property \$140.00 per annum

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- this initial year charge will be levied in the second half of the 2017/18 financial year.