

# Household Waste Recycling Centres

Sites for recycling and disposing of household waste in Somerset



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## Using your local Household Waste Recycling Centre (HWRC)

- Before you leave home please sort your waste into different materials for recycling.
- Ensure your waste is packed so it is not too heavy to lift—staff can help with bulky items but may not be able to help if waste is unreasonably heavy.
- Consider whether you could donate any of your items to your local charity shop or furniture re-use project.
- Could you compost garden waste at home?
- HWRCs are busiest at weekends and bank holidays, and least busy mid week. Please be patient if you visit at a busy time.
- Once you arrive on site please deposit your recyclables in the correct skips. Ask the site staff for advice and assistance if needed.



### Site Safety

Household Waste Recycling Centres have a constant flow of traffic

and frequently heavy plant or machinery operating. When visiting be alert at all times and follow these rules:



- Keep children and pets in your car.
- Obey site directions and move on as soon as you have unloaded.
- Do not climb on or lean on safety barriers.
- Keep your eyes peeled for other traffic and pedestrians.
- If you are concerned about carrying your waste, ask site staff for assistance – they are there to help you (but please remember they can only lift manageable weights so be careful how you pack the items when loading your car).

## CCTV cameras

When you arrive at your local Household Waste Recycling Centre you may notice a number of CCTV cameras. These operate together with a system called Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR). This is for several reasons including site safety and to help us to reduce the amount of commercial waste being left at the centres.

Please note that as a precautionary measure if you are bringing materials in a commercial van or trailer you may be asked about the source of the waste and to sign a Household Waste Declaration Form.

## Commercial waste

Please do not bring commercial waste to Household Waste Recycling Centres – it will not be accepted. Look in your local classified directory under Waste for collection companies. Many businesses are reducing the costs of waste disposal by recycling more. For further information visit [www.recycleatwork.org.uk](http://www.recycleatwork.org.uk) or [www.wasterecycling.org.uk](http://www.wasterecycling.org.uk) and select “Find Sites”.

It is against the law to dispose of commercial waste at an HWRC. Penalties for illegal tipping of waste include fines of up to £50 000 and/or up to six months imprisonment. CCTV cameras operate at all of the Somerset HWRCs.



## Household Waste Recycling Centres

### Recycling facilities and locations

All centres open every day, including weekends and bank holidays, except Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Years Day.

Hours 9am to 7pm (May to September inclusive)/9am to 5pm (October to April inclusive).

			Asbestos†	Batteries (household)	Cans (food/drink)	Cardboard	Drink/Liquid cartons	Electrical appliances	Engine Oil	Fluorescent tubes	Fridges/Freezers	Garden waste	Glass bottles/Jars	Hardcore	Paper	Plasterboard	Plastic bottles	Scrap metal	Textiles	Wood	
Bridgwater	Saltlands Avenue, Chiltern Trinity TA6 3JG	01278 444877	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Castle Cary	Dimmer Lane BA7 7NR	01963 351725		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Chard	Beeching Close TA20 1BB (opens 2009)			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Chard	Chaffcombe Road TA20 1RP (closes 2009)	01460 61337		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cheddar	Wedmore Road BS27 3EB	01934 744916		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓
Coleford	Newbury Lane BA3 5RU	01373 813515		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Crewkerne	Blacknell Lane Industrial Estate TA18 7HE	01460 78284		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Dulcote	Dulcote Hill BA5 3PZ	01749 670973		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Dulverton	Brushford Road TA22 9AA	01398 323615		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓
Frome	Manor Furlong, Manor Road BA11 4RN	01373 453622	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Highbridge	Isleport Business Park, Bennett Road TA9 4PW	01278 784419	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Middlezoy	Greylake (off A361) TA7 9BP	01823 698165		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Minehead	Mart Road Ind Estate TA24 5BJ	01643 707894	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Somerton	Bancombe Road Ind Estate TA11 6SB	01458 274643		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Street	Farm Road (A39) BA16 0BB	01458 840076	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Taunton	Crown Ind Estate, Priorswood TA2 8QY	01823 338615	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Wellington	Poole Brickworks, Nynhehead TA21 9HW	01823 661617		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Williton	Roughmoor Ind Estate TA4 4RA	01984 632221		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Yeovil	Artillery Road, Lufton Trading Est. BA22 8RP	01935 411151	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

Details correct April 2009. †Asbestos is safely disposed of. Please carefully follow the guidance on the next page when bringing it to site.

All HWRCs accept low energy bulbs, car batteries, spectacles, toner cartridges, mobile phones. Each also has a collection point for household hazardous waste, such as garden chemicals and paint.

**Proceeds from recycling mobile phones through Somerset HWRCs are donated to a Somerset based hospice for terminally ill children.**

## Hazardous household waste

### Chemical Waste

If you think you may have hazardous household waste (including pesticides, acids, lead based paint and other potentially harmful chemicals) please ask for assistance from site staff. These materials can then be safely stored in the site safe.

### Asbestos

Check the site accepts asbestos (see table on centre pages). Double bag the asbestos and report to site staff when you arrive on site. Asbestos can be harmful and should be treated carefully. Gloves and facemasks are recommended and you should not break up the asbestos. Staff at Household Waste Recycling Centres will not assist with the unloading of asbestos.

### Plasterboard

Plasterboard buried in landfill sites produces potent gases when it breaks down. Under new legislation it must be recycled and facilities for collecting plasterboard are provided at Frome, Priorswood, Street, Highbridge, Saltlands, Yeovil and Williton HWRCs. If you have large amounts please call ahead to make sure there is space available.



## Household Rubble and Hardcore

Legally rubble and hardcore is classed as "industrial waste", even if it comes from a private household. In Somerset we take a practical view and try to provide some facilities for taking a limited amount of this waste. If a project is likely to produce a lot of rubble or hardcore it may be better to privately hire a skip.

## Your questions answered

### Can I buy things on site?

Due to safety considerations, lack of adequate space and traffic we cannot sell from the sites. Each site is licensed to a “re-use merchant” who can reclaim reusable items and sell them. Details are available at each site.

### What happens to waste deposited on site?

When materials are deposited in the skips and containers they become the property of the site contractor, Viridor Waste Management Ltd, who will inspect waste coming in. All separated materials are sent for recycling. Waste that cannot be recycled is currently landfilled. With your help over 70% of waste taken to HWRCs is recycled—one of the highest rates in the UK.



### Will site staff help carry my waste?

Yes, staff on the sites are there to help you. Please feel free to ask them if you need help, but remember they will not be able to help with unreasonably heavy loads or asbestos.

### Can I dispose of motor vehicle parts?

The sites will accept up to five tyres per household, engine oil and car batteries for recycling. Other parts of vehicles are not classified as household waste and need to go to scrap dealers or through commercial waste companies, who you can find in classified directories, such as Yellow Pages.



## Think before visiting your local HWRC's. There are now many easy ways to find a new home for reusable items, giving them a new lease of life.

- Online: [www.uk.freecycle.org](http://www.uk.freecycle.org) and on-line auction sites like [www.ebay.co.uk](http://www.ebay.co.uk)
- In local press: small ads
- In your neighbourhood: Charity shops, car boot sales, jumble sales...

### Furniture Reuse Groups

Don't throw usable furniture and household appliances away. You can arrange to have them collected and put to good use helping people on low incomes in your community.



FurnEquip, Glastonbury	01458 831188
FurnEquip, Frome	01373 467320
West Somerset Furniture Reuse Project	01643 707484
Sedgemoor Furniture Store	01278 425055
Furnicare, Yeovil	01935 433416
Furnicare, Chard	01460 68221
Home Furniture Service Trust, Taunton	01823 253053

### Working together for equalities

If you need this information in large print, Braille, audio or another language please contact us on 01823 625700



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For further information about HWRCs, waste and recycling visit [www.somersetwaste.gov.uk](http://www.somersetwaste.gov.uk) or call Somerset County Council on 0845 345 9188

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