

Bin Location Map and Waste Management Plan

We recognise the importance of reducing our environmental footprint while also contributing to the welfare of our guests and wider community through our commitment to sustainable and responsible waste management practices. This Waste Management Plan outlines the procedures and strategies we use to manage various types of waste generated within our hostel.

General Waste, Cardboard Recycling and Glass Recycling:

- JJs Waste Service is our general waste and cardboard recycling provider. They supply 3x 240L general waste bins that are collected three times weekly, as well as 1x 240L cardboard bin collected twice weekly.
- These bins are located at the rear of the building. They are locked 24/7 to assure no items are incorrectly disposed of and no illegal dumping may take place. Our agreement states they are to be loaded into the waste removal truck on the Fitzgerald st side of the property to minimise noise impact on both our guests and surrounding neighbours.
- For our refundable glass items our provider is Containers For Change. They provide 2x 240L bins that are stored in our alfresco area inside a custom aluminium storage area to minimise visual impact for our guests . These bins are collected from the alfresco area twice weekly with the same loading agreement as JJs Waste.
- Hostel staff will ensure that all general waste is properly segregated from recyclables and placed in designated bins.
- Cardboard recycling bins will be available in common areas, and guests will be informed of their location upon check-in.
- Clear signage will be posted near waste disposal areas to encourage correct disposal practices.
- Regular inspections will be conducted to ensure compliance with waste disposal guidelines.
- Hostel staff will ensure that glass containers are rinsed before disposal to prevent contamination.

Clothing and Footwear Donation:

- All leftover clothing, footwear, and other usable items left behind by guests will be collected fortnightly.
- These items will be donated to an Indigenous support group located in Northbridge.
- Collection points for these donations will be clearly marked within the hostel premises.
- Hostel staff will coordinate the collection and donation process.

Mattress Repurposing:

- All used mattresses in the hostel will be donated to the local Men's Shed for repurposing into outdoor seating and other creative projects.

Hostel staff will arrange for the pickup of mattresses to the Men's Shed as needed.

Food Sharing Program:

- Departing guests will be encouraged to leave any usable, unopened food items in a designated "Free Food" section within the hostel.
- All food items placed in the Free Food section will be available for other guests to use.

At the end of the day, hostel staff will assess the remaining food items and dispose of accordingly.

Guest Awareness:

- All guests will be made aware of the hostel's waste management procedures upon check-in.
- Information on proper waste disposal practices will be provided through signage and guest orientation materials.

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