



Rural Waste Collection Services

IN KIAMA MUNICIPALITY



**Refer to
Recycling
Section**

All households
emptied fortnightly



**Refer to
Garbage
Section**

All households
emptied fortnightly

BIN PLACEMENT

For efficient collection:

- Place your bins out the night before your collection day
- Place bins away from obstructions (parked cars, overhanging branches)
- Front of bin should face the road
- Leave at least 30cm space between bins and other objects
- Bins should be returned to enclosure/property the same day of service.

Recycling bin – emptied fortnightly

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In the past, residents were asked to look for numbers printed on the underside of plastic items. Not anymore!

To determine if the plastic item is or isn't recyclable, do the CRUSH Test!

- If you **CAN NOT** crush the plastic item into a ball, place it in your yellow lid recycling bin (rigid plastic)
- If you **CAN** crush the plastic item into a ball, place it in your red lid garbage bin (soft plastic).

ITEMS DO NOT NEED TO BE WASHED, BUT ITEMS MUST BE EMPTY OF FOOD AND DRINK. ITEMS MUST BE LOOSE. NO PLASTIC BAGS.



YES



Food and drink cartons



Glass bottles and jars



Aluminium cans, steel cans, foil trays and aerosols



Rigid plastic bottles and containers from kitchen, bathroom and laundry



Cardboard



Paper (unshredded), magazines and newspapers



NO



NO plastic bags or soft plastics (bread bags, frozen food bags, chip and biscuit wrappers, cling wrap etc.)



NO clothing or footwear



NO batteries



NO polystyrene



NO paint tins, hazardous materials or medical waste



NO ceramics, china, cutlery, Pyrex or glassware



NO garden items ie. plastic plant pots



NO broken household items ie. coat hangers, toys, appliances



NO food or garden waste



NO timber, soil, ash or building materials



NO takeaway coffee cups, plastic cutlery or plastic straws

Garbage bin – emptied fortnightly




NO



NO asbestos, hazardous materials or liquids



NO soil, ash or building materials



Plastic bags and soft plastics (bread bags, frozen food bags, chip and biscuit wrappers, cling wrap etc.)



Nappies (wrapped)



All polystyrene excluding No.6 (No. 6 is accepted at the CRC)


YES



Household rubbish that can't be recycled or composted



Ceramics, crockery and glassware (wrapped)



food (consider a home composting system)

Illegal Dumping



Illegal dumping is the unlawful deposit of waste, whether solid or liquid, onto land. It includes waste material that is discharged, dumped, tipped or otherwise deposited onto private or public land where no approval exists to accept such waste.

Illegal dumping varies from small bags of rubbish in an urban environment to large scale illegal landfills.

Did you know? It is illegal to place household or commercial waste into any public place bin. Fines of at least \$250 may apply.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

Call the Illegal Dumping Hotline 131 555

We have a comprehensive enforcement and education program regarding illegal dumping.

However, we still need your help. If you see anyone dumping rubbish in the Kiama Municipality area, please make a note of:

- the time, date, and location of the event
- a description of any vehicles involved, including the number plate details
- any further information that may help to identify the offender.

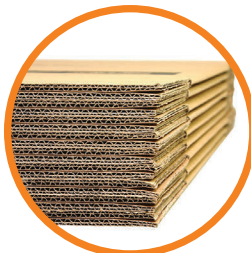


Community Recycling Centre (CRC)

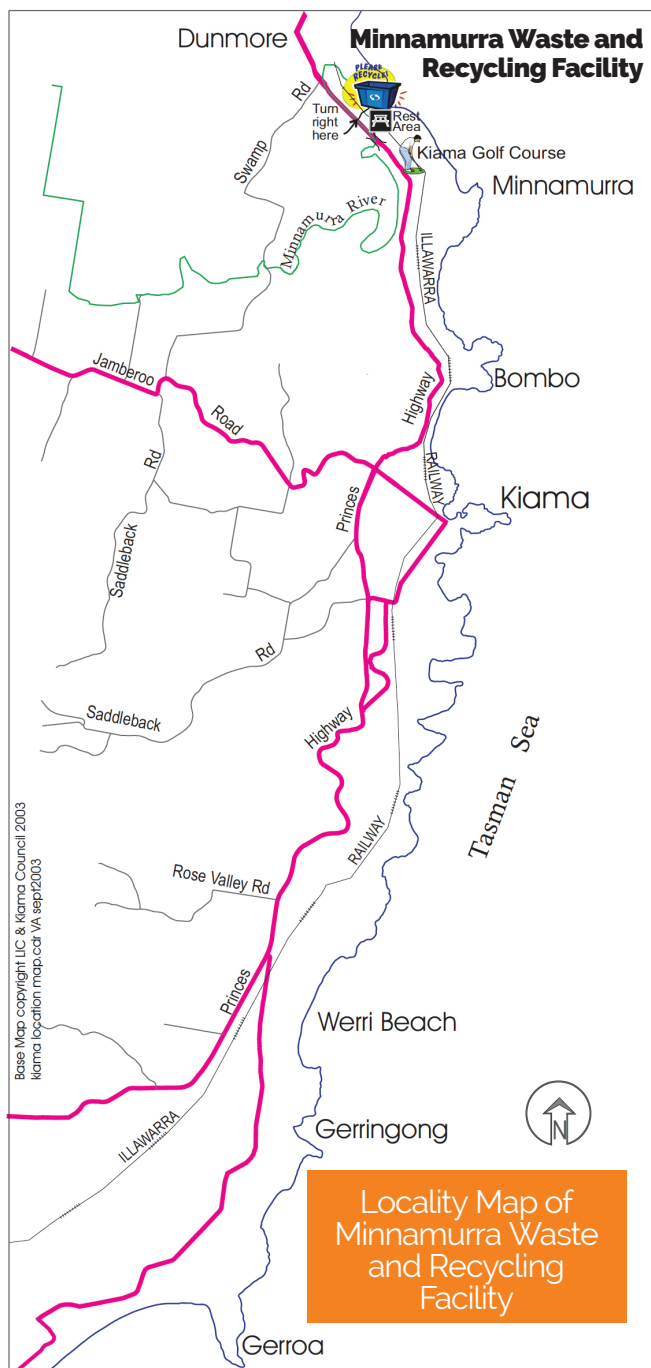
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Residents are able to dispose of the following waste items for FREE:

- Paint (oil and water based)
- Gas bottles and fire extinguishers
- Fluoro globes and tubes
- Computers and televisions (and peripherals including cables, keyboards, etc)
- Household and car batteries
- Polystyrene marked No. 6 only
- Cardboard
- Motor and other oils (including cooking oil)
- Smoke detectors
- Mobile phones
- X-ray films (film only accepted. Please dispose of paper reports and envelopes separately.)
- Clothing / textiles (to be donated to local charities)
- Steel (any item that contains more than 75% metal)
- Drums - DrumMaster branded ONLY
– accepted 1st Monday of the month only



Only household quantities of the above materials will be accepted. As a guide a maximum container of 20 litres or 20 kilograms for each of the wastes listed above.



The Community Recycling Centre (CRC) is located at:

Minnamurra Waste and Recycling Facility
446 Riverside Drive, Minnamurra

Hours of operation:

8am-4pm Monday to Saturday

Closed Christmas Day, Boxing Day,
New Years Day and Good Friday.

Household Bulky Waste (held annually in March & September)

The Household Bulky Waste Drop Off Event is held annually in March and September. This event enables residents to drop off large bulky materials to be reused, recycled or disposed of. The drop off is held at the Minnamurra Waste and Recycling Facility. Refer to your calendar for specific dates.

Important event details:

- To participate, in this free event, you must live in the urban waste zone and pay the Domestic Waste Management Charge or live in the rural waste zone and pay the Rural Waste Management Charge

- Bookings are essential** and are made online at www.kiama.nsw.gov.au – bookings open one month prior
- Total quantity equal to a standard box trailer or ute (maximum of 2m³).
- E-waste and mattresses will be accepted in addition to the quantity limit
- Limited to one drop off per household per event
- Proof of residency is required at the checkpoint ie. drivers license, rates notice or utility bill

✓ YES



Timber and plastic pallets



Indoor and outdoor household furniture



Gas bottles, fire extinguishers, smoke detectors



E-waste (eg. TVs, computers, electrical appliances)



Mattresses (limit 2 per household)



Engines, car parts, motor oil



Toys, sporting goods and baby goods



White goods (fridges, microwaves etc.)



Garden pots and equipment



Cardboard and paper products



Empty plastic and metal drums



Blinds, carpets, clothing, blankets, towels, linen, crockery



Polystyrene packaging



Batteries (car, alkaline)



Light globes

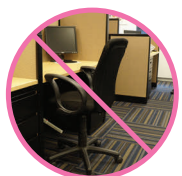


Water and oil based paints

✗ NO



No building and demolition wastes including asbestos



No clean up wastes from commercial premises (shops or offices)



No household garbage or food scraps



No garden waste (unless fees are paid)



No pane/sheet glass or broken mirrors



No toxic chemicals or hazardous waste



No tyres

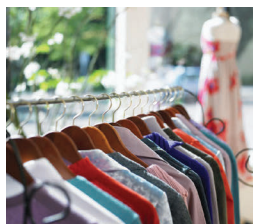
Second hand items

For any pre-loved items you no longer want, consider choosing one of the following options:



SECOND HAND SATURDAY

Council's giant community garage sale where residents can sell, swap or trade their unwanted pre-loved goods. Two events are held each year at School Flat, Black Beach, Kiama. Refer to the waste calendar for dates. A gold coin donation is payable on the day and to register a site, you must be a resident of the Municipality. Bookings open one month prior to scheduled date. To book a site, go to **www.kiama.nsw.gov.au**



CHARITY STORE

Goods may be donated to your local charity store.

It's a good idea to call and check whether they can take your items before you deliver them. Find your local charity store in the Yellow Pages or online at **www.yellowpages.com.au**



LIFELINE BIG BOOK FAIR

Pre-loved books can be donated year round at Southern.IML Pathology, 83 Manning Street, Kiama or the Lifeline Warehouse, 19 Auburn Street, Wollongong. Held twice a year, these book fairs raise funds to support a national 24-hour telephone crisis support service.



FACEBOOK – BUY SWAP AND SELL

These are free local Facebook groups where you can list your pre-loved item to sell or giveaway. To find out more on how you can become a member of any of the groups set up for residents within our local area, look up Buy Swap and Sell on Facebook.



GUMTREE OR EBAY

These online marketplace websites allow you to post your unwanted items up for sale for free or for a small price. Go to **www.gumtree.com.au** or **www.ebay.com.au** for more information.



FREECYCLE ILLAWARRA

A grassroots and not for profit movement of people who are giving (and receiving) items for free in their own towns and keeping those items out of landfills. Membership is free and everything posted must be free, legal and appropriate for all ages. Visit **www.freecycle.org**



DUNMORE RESOURCE RECOVERY CENTRE

Managed by local charity, Resource Recovery Australia, this centre aims to maximise the recovery and sale of recyclable materials and saleable goods. You can drop off your unwanted saleable secondhand items and find a vast assortment of second-hand items for purchase, with new and different goods arriving regularly. Dunmore Resource Recovery Centre is located at 44 Buckleys Road, Dunmore. **Phone (02) 4221 6200.**



READING GLASSES

Donate your old reading glasses at EyeQ Optometrist Kiama or check with local OPSM and Specsaver stores for sending to developing nations.

Waste Minimisation

Waste minimisation is about avoiding the waste before it is produced. Prevention is the primary goal, followed by reuse, recycling, treatment and appropriate disposal. The benefits of minimising waste include:

- Reducing demand for landfill space
- Saving resources and energy
- Reducing pollution
- Increasing the efficiency of production.



WAYS IN WHICH YOU COULD MINIMISE YOUR WASTE:



Consider alternatives to disposables. Swap paper towel for reusable cloths/rags. Swap sandwich bags for reusable lunch boxes/containers.



Use modern cloth nappies for your little ones instead of disposable nappies. They contain no harmful chemicals or plastics and keep odours out of your garbage bin.



Did you know that takeaway coffee cups are not recyclable? Take your own cup when getting a takeaway coffee.

Single use plastic is detrimental to our environment. Plastic straws, plastic cutlery and plastic bags are polluting our oceans. Refuse these items and instead bring your own.



Council offers free Home Composting Workshops for residents. Learn the basics of setting up and maintaining a worm farm, compost bin or Bokashi system. Check dates on the waste collection calendar or Council website www.kiama.nsw.gov.au



Consider swapping to "green cleaning" techniques. There's usually an organic alternative for any chemical cleaning product. You may already have the ingredients for a 'green' household cleaner in your cupboard i.e. baking soda, lemon juice, white vinegar, etc. Find a range of recipes online.



Shop at your local second hand store for clothing and homewares.



Love Food Hate Waste – an initiative of the NSW Government aims to raise awareness about the environmental, economic and social impacts of food waste. Check out their website for handy tips on reducing your household food waste and diverting from landfill.

www.lovefoodhatewaste.nsw.gov.au



Install a rainwater tank to help you to reduce your water consumption.



The NSW Government has set up the Return and Earn program to reduce drink container litter. To find out what can be returned for a refund and the drop off locations, visit **www.returnandearn.org.au**



For soft plastics such as bread bags, frozen food bags, chip and biscuit wrappers, cling wrap etc. consider disposing of these in the specially marked bins at your local Woolworths and Coles stores. Visit **www.redcycle.net.au** to find out more.



Confused about what types of packaging can be recycled? Look for the symbols on your product packaging to help you correctly recycle those items. Visit **www.recyclingnearyou.com.au/ar1** for more information.

To find out where to dispose of other items,
go to the A-Z of Waste on the Council website
www.kiama.nsw.gov.au



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11 Manning Street, Kiama NSW 2533

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