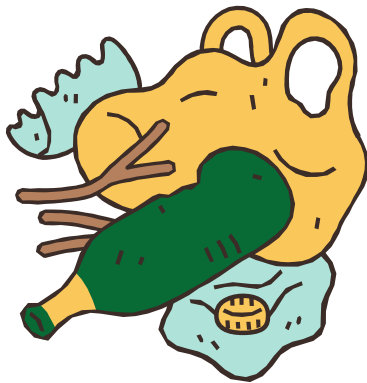


Littering Fact Sheet



What is littering?

Littering is when a person or corporate body unlawfully deposits waste material on any land or in any waters without consent.

Littering in Western Australia is an offence under Section 23 of the *Litter Act 1979*, which is WA's principle litter legislation. Local littering offences are investigated by our Shire Ranger.

Where should I dispose my bulk rubbish, like gardening waste?

You can dispose of your greenwaste and excess household waste at our transfer station facility located on Tunney Road, Kojonup. This facility is currently operated by Warren Blackwood Waste and is open on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays from 10:00AM to 5:00PM.

What are the penalties if I don't comply?

Being a litter bug could cost you an on the spot infringement of \$200, fines of up to \$5,000 for an individual or \$10,000 for a corporation.

How long until it's gone?



Cigarette Butts
up to 12 years*



Glass bottle
1 million years



Aluminium can
200 years



Plastic Bottle
450 years**

*The cellulose acetate (plastic) in filters never truly breaks down and remains in the environment forever

**Petrochemical (plastic) products never truly breakdown and remain in the environment forever.

Did you know?

- That disposing of greenwaste and metal material at the Warren Blackwood Waste transfer facility in Kojonup is free of charge?*
- You can dispose of recyclable materials such as cardboard boxes 24/7 via the recycle bin at the Warren Blackwood Transfer Facility free of charge?*
- That the Shire of Kojonup utilises hidden surveillance to investigate littering offences in common dumping areas, such as the old refuse site located on Soldier Road?

*fees do apply for household and other waste, such as asbestos.

How do I report a littering offence?

Littering offences can be reported to:

Shire of Kojonup

Phone: 9831 2400

Email: council@kojonup.wa.gov.au

Website: www.kojonup.wa.gov.au

Keep Australia Beautiful Council

Phone: 6364 7210

Email: kabc@kabc.wa.gov.au

Website: www.kabc.wa.gov.au