

Waste separation and deposits (Pfand)

Rubbish belongs in a rubbish bin.

Rubbish must not be thrown on the floor or out of the window.

Waste separation is good for nature.

What goes in which bin?

In the district of Neustadt a. d. Waldnaab you have to separate the waste:

Paper, glass, plastic, organic waste, residual waste

The rubbish goes into different bins:

- Residual waste -> black bin (Residual waste is: Nappies, handkerchiefs, cooked Essensreste...)
- Paper -> blue bin
- Plastic, light packaging -> yellow bag
- Organic waste -> brown bin
- Glass -> Collection containers at designated locations in the municipalities
- Tinplate, cans -> Collection containers at designated places in the municipalities
- old clothes -> Collection containers at designated places in the municipalities
- Problem waste -> Collection twice a year; more information can be found [here](#).
- Bulky waste -> Collection twice a year; further information can be found [here](#).

You can find more information on waste separation [here](#).

You can find a video about waste separation [here](#).

The respective bins are emptied regularly.

To do this, you must place the bin by the road.

You can find out when which bin is emptied [here](#).

If you need a new roll of "yellow bags", stick a note with the inscription "Neue Gelbe Säcke, bitte" to one of the full bags when you collect it.

If you live in shared accommodation, you will find the collection dates of the rubbish collection on the information board of your accommodation.

What do I need to know about "Pfand"?

In Germany, there is something called "Pfandpflicht" for certain drinks packaging.

When you buy plastic bottles, glass bottles or drinks cans in a supermarket, you pay a few extra cents.

If you take them back to a collection point for empty bottles and cans in a supermarket (usually a machine), you can get this money back. This is called "Pfand".

There are two different types of these specific bottles:

Disposable bottles (which are recycled) have a square symbol with a can and a bottle, and an arrow wrapped around them. This is the Deutsche Pfand-System GmbH company logo. You will get 25 cents back for each bottle or can with this symbol.

Reusable bottles (which are washed and refilled) will either have no symbol at all, a "blue angel" or the word "Mehrweg(-Flasche)", "Leihflasche" or "Pfandflasche". You will get 15 cents back for

each reusable bottle. You will get 8 cents back for each beer bottle.

💡 This “Pfand” system does not apply to drinks cartons.