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Everyday Life

Waste disposal, waste separation and recycling

How does waste separation work?

Why is waste separated? Recycling is only possible if packaging is separated. This makes it easier to dispose of a lot of waste. Separating waste is sustainable.

In the town of Dachau, waste is separated into four bins. What belongs in which bin?

Black bin

Some waste cannot be recycled. They go in the black bin. The black bin is for residual waste.

- Nappies, sanitary towels and tampons
- Paper handkerchiefs, cosmetic tissues, paper towels
- Plastic bin liners
- Hoover bags
- Coated paper
- Wallpaper, carpet residues
- Rubbish, ash, small animal litter, cigarette butts

Blue bin

Paper waste goes in the blue bin. It must be clean and uncoated.

- Newspapers and magazines
- Cardboard boxes (please fold or shred)
- Catalogues and brochures
- exercise books
- books
- Forms and printer paper
- Letters and envelopes
- Paper bags
- Paper packaging
- Cigarette packets (without aluminium and without foil)
- Chocolate boxes (without plastic)

Brown bin

Compostable waste goes in the brown bin.

- Kitchen waste (including meat and fish scraps)
- Fruit and vegetables
- Salad (without salad dressing)


- Potatoes, eggs
- Coffee filters, tea bags
- Wilted bouquets of flowers
- Potted plants (without pot)
- Waste from the garden
- Crumpled newspaper to soak up moisture

Yellow bin

Plastic and metal packaging goes in the yellow bin. Some packaging has a "green dot".

- Aluminium lids (including crown caps)
- Aluminium trays and cans (including tin cans)
- Blister packs (medicines and toothbrush packaging)
- Shower gel and shampoo bottles
- Plastic shopping and packaging bags
- Paint buckets (empty)
- Foil (aluminium foil and cling film)
- Beverage cartons (including milk cartons)
- Wooden crates (for fruit, for example)
- Coffee vacuum packaging
- Plastic bottles and cups (yoghurt pots, quark pots)
- Plastic cleaning agent bottles
- Aerosol cans (empty)
- Earthenware bottles
- Styrofoam packaging (moulded parts and chips, clean)
- Tubes (toothpaste, ointments, creams)

Glass containers

Glass bottles and jars (white, green, brown) are disposed of at the  disposed of [at the recycling islands](#).


Paper and cardboard can also be disposed of at some recycling islands.

Please be considerate of neighbouring residents:

You are only permitted to drop off waste from Monday to Saturday from 07:00 - 20:00.

No disposal on Sundays and public holidays!

Old clothes and shoes

You can donate old clothes and shoes in good condition. It is important that the items are not damaged. In the town and district of Dachau there are  [old clothes containers](#) are set up [for](#) this purpose. You can put your old clothes and shoes there.

Bulky waste, broken electrical appliances and hazardous waste

There are several places in the city where you can dispose of large amounts of rubbish. If you have large amounts of rubbish, you must go to a recycling centre.

You can hand in large items at a recycling centre. You can hand in all broken electrical appliances there. You can also hand in old batteries or chemicals there.

The drop-off at the  [recycling centres](#) is free of charge (2 m³/day).

 **Used items in good condition can be bought and sold in second-hand shops or at flea markets.**


Locomotion

Explore the city! There are several ways to get around.

Bus transport


Dachau has very good bus connections. All information about bus transport in Dachau can be found on the website of [Stadtwerke Dachau](#).

The  [timetables](#) can also be found on the website of the Stadtwerke.


The various routes (Linienverlaufspläne) can also be found on the  [website](#) of Stadtwerke.

Bicycle

In the long term, buying a bicycle is much cheaper than using public transport.

 The most important traffic rules for cyclists:


- Always ride on the right-hand side of the carriageway.
- Do not ride next to each other, but behind each other.
- If available, cycle lanes must be used (also on the right-hand side of the road in the direction of travel).
- Only children up to the age of 11 may use the footpaths.

 Caution when buying a bike: When buying a bike, make sure that it is equipped as follows (roadworthy), otherwise you could be fined if you are checked by the police:

- Front and rear lights
- Reflector front and rear
- Reflectors in the spokes (2 per wheel)
- Reflectors on the pedals
- Bell
- Two independent brakes

General information

Public transport: Munich public transport network (MVV)

The local public transport network in Germany is very well developed. In the larger towns and villages you will find buses and sometimes trams, and in the cities usually also underground and/or suburban trains. As these are organised in a coherent way, you only need one ticket for all types of transport (but always per city). Timetables, journey planning and ticket costs can be found  [here](#). If you are travelling together with several people, you can share a



[group day pass](#). This is usually cheaper. For timetable information, you can also download the




download [the MVV app](#). If you receive your benefits from the job centre, you are entitled to borrow an MVV social ticket. You must book this in advance. You can find all information about this



[here](#).

Long-distance transport

If you want to travel outside of Munich and the district of Dachau, you can use the  [Deutsche Bahn app](#).

If you want to book a train ticket, it's best to book an economy ticket well in advance - it's cheaper then. There is a 1st and a 2nd class on the train. The normal ticket is valid for 2nd class. In Germany there is also a



[supra-regional bus system](#). Bus journeys are usually cheaper than train journeys. Always remember to carry your ID with you.

Cheap travel by bus and train: Dachau district pass

The Landkreis-Pass is an offer from the district of Dachau. You can use it to buy a cheap IsarCard S (Sozialticket) for the month. Children and grandchildren aged 6 to 14 can travel free of charge on the IsarCard S.

Applying for the Landkreis-Passes costs nothing. The pass will be sent to you once your application has been approved. How long the pass is valid for is stated in your authorisation notice.


You can submit the application online and upload the required supporting documents.


The Landkreis-Pass is intended for certain people:

- You receive subsistence assistance or basic income support in old age and in the event of reduced earning capacity.
- You receive Bürgergeld.
- You receive benefits under the Asylum Seekers Benefits Act.
- You are doing a federal voluntary service or a voluntary social or ecological year.

- You will only receive the district pass if you have a current benefit certificate that is valid for at least one month. You are not entitled if you only receive benefits in kind and no cash benefits.

You can only apply for the Landkreis-Pass if you are at least 15 years old.

Do you have any questions? There is one telephone number for all questions: 
[08131742274](tel:08131742274)

 Landratsamt Dachau, Landkreis-Pass


Münchner Straße 87b
85221 Dachau

Lost property office (in the citizens' office)

If you have lost something, it is possible that someone will find it and hand it in to the lost property office of the town of Dachau. It may take a few days for the item to be registered in the lost property office.

If you find something that someone may have lost, please also hand it in to the lost property office of the town of Dachau.

Lost property can be collected from the lost property office during opening hours. Please bring (proof of ownership and) your identity card or passport with you to collect the item.

If you would like to make an appointment for collection, you can send an email to 
fund@dachau.de or use this contact form



[contact form to](#) use [the callback service](#). The staff will contact you immediately and offer you an appointment as soon as possible.

Barrier-free access to the building and premises is available.

Please make an appointment in advance!


Please do not come by without an appointment!

Consultations can only be held in German.

 Opening hours

Monday - Friday: 07:30 - 12:30

Thursday additionally: 14:00 - 18:00

 Pfarrstraße 2, 85221 Dachau



[+49 \(0\) 813175276](tel:+490813175276)



[+49 \(0\) 813175261](tel:+490813175261)



fund@dachau.de



[Lost property office - City of Dachau](#)

Animal welfare

Animal shelter

There is an animal shelter in Dachau. In animal shelters, the staff take care of animals. The aim of an animal shelter is to find animals a new home. 📍 Roßwachtstr. 33, 85221 Dachau 🌐

[Animal welfare organisation Dachau e. V.](#)

About the treatment of animals

According to the law, animals are considered "**fellow living beings**" in Germany.

There are many regulations on animal welfare in Germany.

The aim is to enable animals to lead a life appropriate to their species.

No suffering, pain, damage or unnecessary harm may be inflicted on them.

There are regulations for the species-appropriate keeping of animals at home, in public zoos and animal parks as well as for the keeping of livestock.

In Germany, many animals are kept as "**pets**".

Pets are seen and valued as companions, especially dogs.

They must be kept on a lead in certain places (forests, nature reserves, parks, children's playgrounds, etc.).

Dogs are also often used as helpers in everyday life: for example, guide dogs can help visually impaired people to find their way in traffic.

Many people also have other small animals as pets.

Birds, dwarf rabbits or fish, for example, are popular.

There are special shops. Pet food and accessories can be bought there.

There are even hairdressers for dogs.

In addition to pets, there are also so-called **"farm animals"**:

Farm animals such as cows, pigs, sheep, geese, ducks and chickens are kept in the countryside and on farms.

Important: In Germany, hunting and fishing is only permitted after an examination and authorisation (hunting or fishing licence!!) It is also only permitted in certain areas and waters!

LGBTQIA+

LGBTQIA+ rights

"LGBTQIA+" is an abbreviation. The abbreviation stands for the English words Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transsexual/Transgender, Queer, Intersexual and Asexual. The term is mainly used in industrialised countries and in connection with human rights. In Germany, this abbreviation is used to talk about a wide variety of sexual orientations and gender identities.

Homosexuality

Homosexuality is permitted in Germany. For example, women can be lesbian and men can be gay. You can also be bisexual.


Homosexual couples are allowed to live together and marry. Some homosexual couples also bring up children together. Such families are called rainbow families.

Lesbians and gays must not be discriminated against. There is a separate law and various guidelines on this. You can find information on this



[here](#).

Lesbians, gays and transgender people can come out and meet openly. You can find more information here:

for lesbian women:  [LeTRa](#)

for gay men:



[Sub](#)

for people who are transgender, non-binary or intersex:



[Trans*Inter*Counselling Centre](#)

for young LGBTI* people:



[LesBiGay and Trans* Youth Organisation Munich](#)


Transgender, non-binary and intersex people

In Germany, people have equal rights. No matter what gender they are.

People in Germany can be neither female nor male. They can then state their gender as

"diverse" or "unspecified".

Transgender people are allowed to live openly in Germany and receive medical treatment. If they wish, they can change their gender.

None of these people may be discriminated against either. You can find information on this at  [here](#).

Café Queer


LGBTI meeting place in Dachau

Café Queer is a meeting place for young gays, lesbians, trans, bi and friends aged between 14 and 25 in the district of Dachau and the surrounding area.

Do you want to get to know other lesbian, gay, trans, bi and intersex young people and their friends aged between 14 and 25? Then we look forward to meeting you, your ideas and dreams!


We'll cook together, chat and discuss plans for the rest of the year.

You and your friends are very welcome to join the young LGBTQI community in the district of Dachau!

Dates can be found on the  [website](#).

Dachau District Youth Council of the Bavarian Youth Council, KdöR

 Alter Metzgerhof, Burgfriedenstraße 3, 85221 Dachau

 [+49 \(0\) 8131741283629](tel:+49(0)8131741283629)

 [Café Queer - Kreisjugendring Dachau \(kjr-dachau.de\)](http://Café-Queer-Kreisjugendring-Dachau.kjr-dachau.de)

Helferkreis - Dachau Asylum Working Group

What is a helper group?

In many neighbourhoods and communities, there are people who will help you without payment. These volunteers can help you find your way around your neighbourhood. They can help you take part in leisure and sports activities. You can learn your first German language skills here. If you have any questions about everyday life, ask the volunteers. For example, if you don't understand a letter in German or if you want to know where there are good shopping and sports facilities or how bus travel works. Volunteers can also help you with questions about a bank account. Many volunteer groups also offer help if you would like to learn German. Volunteer groups can usually be contacted by e-mail.

Working group AK Asyl Dachau?

The Ak Asyl Dachau is not a counselling centre. The AK Asyl is a network of volunteers. The Dachau Asylum Working Group looks after the interests and integration of refugees. They can

help you find your way around Dachau more quickly.

In this network, Dachau citizens are committed to helping refugees.

The refugees have come to Dachau from a wide variety of crisis regions.

The volunteers do not differentiate between religion, origin, age, gender or prospects of staying. They focus on the most important needs of the people.

What does Arbeitskreis Asyl do?

The AK Asyl supports the refugees

- with their arrival,
- with everyday orientation,
- learning the language
- integration into training and work.

The AK Asyl accompanies refugees when dealing with authorities, doctor's appointments and helps in emergencies.

For children and young people, AK Asyl organises leisure activities and provides regular homework supervision.

Education is the key to a better life for young people.



Please make an appointment in advance.

The Asylum Working Group also supports you in these areas:



Homework supervision, school help:

@schulhilfe@arbeitskreis-asyl-dachau.de



Bicycle repairs:


@fahrrad@arbeitskreis-asyl-dachau.de

You can reach the public relations work of the Asylum Working Group at the following email address:

@presse@arbeitskreis-asyl-dachau.de



If you would like to support the Asylum Working Group on a voluntary basis, make an appointment and/or have any other requests, please send us an email:

 Contact person: Frau Wolfsmüller

@koordination@arbeitskreis-asyl-dachau.de