

**WE  
RECYCLE !  
DO  
YOU ?**



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# Recycling Guide

CITY ESCHENBACH



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PS: DO NOT RECYCLE THIS PAMPHLET - KEEP IT AS REMINDER!

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# Recycling on earth starts at home

Don't let your grandchildren inherit  
our mistakes!



Be environmentally conscientious!  
One person can do a lot.....  
a lot people can do even more!

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## *Reuse - Reduce - Recycle !*

Be a part of the solution  
and  
not a part of the problem !

## **S.O.R.T**

(Separate Or Recycle Trash)

**You can make a ton of difference**

# Useful Telephone Numbers

***SORT Program Grafenwoehr:***

DSN 475-7144 or Civilian 09641-83-7144

***Environmental Office Grafenwoehr***

DSN 475-7209 or Civilian 09662-83-7209

***DPW Self Help Store Grafenwoehr:***

DSN 475-6300 or Civilian 09641-83-6300

***DPW Customer Service Desk Grafenwoehr:***

DSN 475-6324 or Civilian 09641-83-6324

***MWR Auto Craft Shop Grafenwoehr:***

DSN 475-2639 or Civilian 09641-83-2639

***AAFES Car Care Center Grafenwoehr:***

DSN 475-7359 or Civilian 09641-533

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## Dear Resident of Eschenbach GRHP, Leased Housing Area or Private Rental

It is everyone's responsibility to minimize the pollution of our environment. We can do this by avoiding, reducing, separating and recycling of waste.

**This pamphlet describes the recycling procedures off post in the area of the City Eschenbach to include Apfelbach and the village Thomasreuth.**

It covers the following areas:

- **Why Recycle?**
- **Reducing Waste**
- **What and How to Separate**
- **Where to Dispose**

Pick-Up Schedules of refuse / recyclable material are available at Housing Office, the DPW Sort Office at bldg. # 329 and the DPW Self Help Store at bldg. # 394.

### It is against German law to bring trash on post.

The only two exceptions are household type hazardous and waste bulky trash items (see pages 18 & 19).

For further information, questions, concerns, suggestions or comments please contact the SORT-Coordinator at 409th BSB, Grafenwoehr, DPW, Utilities Division, DSN 475-7144 or Civilian 09641-83-7144.

**TELL US WHAT YOU THINK**

**GOOD OR BAD**

## Containers at the Sanitary Landfill for:

- **Scrap Metal:** All kind of metal and metal parts, including washers, dryers, stoves, tent frames and poles, strollers, ironing boards, rims, tools, bicycles, barbecue grills, toasters, metal furniture, etc. *Please, no material that is contaminated with oil or grease and no automotive waste. Please no propane or butane gas containers and no fire extinguishers (->hazardous waste!).*
- **Tires:** Separate containers for tires on rims and without rims.  
**If possible, please dismantle your tires and place the rims in the container for scrap metal.**
- **Refrigerators and Freezers: (hazardous waste)** If possible, please remove door(s) and all plastic and metal inserts, shelves, racks, etc. and place them in the appropriate container. **Please handle carefully! Do not throw!**
- **Electronic Waste and Appliances:** TV's, video and stereo equipment, radios, cassette or CD players, computers, printers, microwaves, toaster, coffee machines etc.  
**Please handle screens carefully! Do not throw!**
- **Scrap Wood:** All kinds of scrap wood and wooden furniture, wood chips, pressed wood, plywood, sawdust, etc.  
**Please dismantle furniture and remove metal and plastic parts if possible.**
- **Upholstered Furniture:** This container is for collection of sofas, mattresses, carpets, rugs, large hard plastic items, large products that consist of a mix of materials and cannot be dismantled with reasonable effort, etc.  
**Please no material that falls under the categories above.**
- **Used Clothing and Home Textiles:** Donations to the Red Cross, please put items in closed (tied) bags. Matching pairs of shoes should be tied together.

## Bulky Trash:- > 3 options

Bulky waste are items that are too large or too heavy to fit into your normal refuse containers and cannot be dismantled, torn or broken down to make them fit. Examples are: Furniture, mattresses, carpets, rugs, washers, dryers, radios, TVs, ovens, stoves, microwaves, bicycles, strollers, etc.

### Option 1:



The county will perform free of charge collections bi-annually, in spring and fall. The exact dates will be announced separately.

### Option 2:



You can bring bulky items to the Waste Transfer Station ("Müllumladestation") in Weiden. The fees must be paid directly by you. Depending on the amount the fee can range from € 5 per trunk load to € 128 per ton. The opening hours are Mon-Fri from 08:00-12:00 and 12:30-16:00. Call the SORT-Coordinator for directions and detailed information.

Option 3: You can also take your bulk trash to the Sanitary Landfill in Grafenwoehr. **Only Id-card holders residing off post are authorized to use this "Recycling Center" for disposal of bulky items.**

**Location:** On the tank trail towards Vilseck, across Range 118.

**Opening hours:** Mo, Tue, Thu, Fri fr. 08:00 - 12:00  
and fr. 13:00 - 15:30

Wednesday from 08:00 - 12:00

**Operating personnel** is there to answer questions if you are not sure where to put your items.

## Why Recycle?

### Recycling saves our environment

Recycling saves energy, saves trees, saves landfill space, reduces our oil demand and reduces pollution.

- A 3-foot stack of recycled paper saves one tree. Every ton of recycled paper saves 17 trees.
- Producing paper from recycled paper takes about 65 % less energy and 61 % less water than making paper from trees.
- One recycled bottle saves enough energy to run a 100-watt light bulb for four hours.
- Making aluminum products from recycled aluminum creates 95 % less pollution and uses 90 % less energy than making the same product from raw material.

### Recycling saves community dollars

The government pays the waste disposal fees for residents in GRHP or leased housing. In private rental quarters the waste fee is either included in the monthly rent or has to be paid by the resident.

Refuse goes to expensive incineration. Therefore the German communities generally calculate the waste disposal fees by the capacity of the refuse containers. Disposal of recyclable material placed properly in appropriate recycling containers is free of charge.

More or larger refuse containers would mean higher cost for us.

**Let's save that money! Everybody can contribute!**

### Law in Germany requires recycling

Waste disposal falls under the jurisdiction of the German communities. All waste from private households must be left to the public waste disposal system.

**You are subject to German recycling laws and regulations just like your German neighbors.**

## Reducing Waste

The best thing to do for our environment is to avoid trash. Where this is not possible, try to reduce it.

### Here are some hints:

- Plan your shopping
- Avoid products with excessive packing
- Buy unpacked goods
- Buy fresh fruits and vegetables instead of deep frozen or canned goods - they have more vitamins too
- Individually wrapped servings do not make good ecological sense - they cost more too
- Avoid laminated material (like plastic coated cardboard or paper) - it is expensive to recycle
- Buy your beverages in reusable bottles (deposit!) - they are being reused up to 60 times
- Look for natural products - they are a lot easier to recycle
- Use a shopping basket or cloth bags instead of plastic bags

### Give away instead of throw away!

Give no longer needed stuff that is still useable to others, to the Thrift Shop or to charity. For example, good used clothing including shoes is wanted by the Red Cross for needy people.

### Closing the loop!

Look for items with packaging made from recycled materials. Buy products fully or partially made from recycled materials. Set the trend to make recycling succeed.

## Household Hazardous Waste

### -> DPW Self Help Store

Household type hazardous waste includes: cleaners, acids, bases, solvents, aerosols, paint, thinners, strippers, antifreeze, oil, car batteries, dry cell batteries, fluorescent light bulbs, propane or butane gas containers, fire extinguishers, etc.



**Note:** Car batteries, dry cell batteries and waste oil should primarily be disposed of at the shops where they are sold. Stores on the German economy that sell these items are required by law to take back used batteries and waste oil at no extra cost for the consumer.

**Dry cell battery collection containers** can also be found at numerous locations **on post** (Recycling Centers, PX, Commissary, barracks, other common buildings & places, etc).

The DPW Self Help Store is located in building # 394.

**Opening hours:** Mon, Tue, Wed and Fri fr. 09:00 – 15:45  
Thu fr. 10:00 – 17:00  
Saturday from 08:00 – 14:00

## Automotive Waste -> different options

Car parts, tires, batteries, waste oil, engines and engine parts should primarily be turned in at garages, gas-stations and stores where you buy your replacements. Tires normally cost a small disposal fee. Batteries cost about € 8 deposit if you do not return a used battery when buying a new one. Sellers are required by German law to take back waste oil at no extra cost for the consumer.

Car parts, engines, engine parts, also batteries and waste oil can be disposed of at the Grafenwoehr Auto Craft Shop.

## Yard/Green Waste -> "Städtische Bauhof"

(Friedhofweg 1 - see map in the center of this booklet)



### What will be accepted?

Grass Clippings  
Leaves  
Branches  
Flowers, Plants  
Weeds, Soil

### What won't be accepted?

Plastic bags  
Bottles  
Cans  
and all other  
inorganic waste

**Opening hours:** Monday - Thursday: 0730-1600 hrs  
Friday: 0800-1200 hrs  
Saturday: 0900-1200 hrs

**NOTE:** Closed on German holidays

**Used clothing** -> Altkleider (look for containers with this sticker and label "Altkleider". For location of RED-CROSS CONTAINERS see map on center page.

The Red Cross and other charity organizations collect used clothing and other textiles, including still good shoes. Please put items in closed (tied) bags. Matching pairs of shoes should be tied together.

Please do not dump these items into the garbage.

**Your donation will help people in need!**

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## General Guidance:

**Do not bring your off-post trash on post!** It is against German law to dispose trash outside the county or city you live in and it would also violate command policies. The **only two exceptions** to this rule are: household hazardous waste and bulky trash (items that are too large to fit in your normal trash bins).

### **No hazardous waste in recycling or refuse containers!**

Household type hazardous waste must be brought to the DPW Self Help Store at building # 394. The county also performs collections twice a year- see Pick-Up Schedule for dates.

### **No recyclable materials in refuse containers!**

The county's garbage men may leave your containers not emptied if they find recyclable material in the container.

### **Keep the material in the Yellow Bag pure!**

### **Put only the appropriate material in the Yellow Bag!**

If the "Yellow Bag" is contaminated with refuse or contains other recyclable material that does not belong in there, the County's contractor will refuse service until the deficiencies are corrected.

### **Do not put anything on the ground!**

The contractor is not required to pick up material outside of containers. By German law trash on the ground may under certain circumstances be considered "illegal disposal", which may result in a fine.

### **Keep container lids closed!**

It sure looks nicer, keeps insects away and prevent animals from going through your trash and littering the area.

### **Watch pickup days!**

The county collects refuse, Yellow Bag, paper (bundled) and cardboard (bundled) from the curbside on a routine schedule. Pick-Up Schedules will be provided to you. Place your containers at the curbside before 06:00 on pick-up days. Use this service

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always, even if your container is only half full or less (It will help to avoid overflow until the next pick-up).

## Container Locations:

**Containers for refuse** (black or gray) are either assigned to individual homes (most housing units) or centrally placed for a building or group of buildings.

**Igloo type containers for metal cans ("Dosen"), glass ("Glas"), paper (Altpapier) and used textiles** can be found at various recycling points in your neighborhood. See the map in the center of this booklet for exact locations.

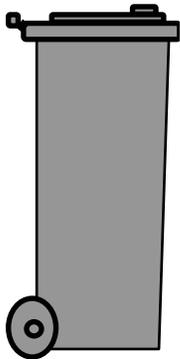
*Please do not use the recycling points after 19:00 or on Sundays/German holidays.*

**Yard Waste / Green Waste (Grünabfälle)** has to be brought to your German community's recycling yard. This facility is called "**Städtische Bauhof**". Location can be found on the map on the center page. Details and opening hours are on page 16.

## What goes where?

**Refuse** (Restmüll) -> black or silver gray containers)

### -> Curbside Pick-ups



It includes sweepings, full vacuum cleaner bags, cigarette butts, ash, soot, used napkins and paper towels, carbon paper, rubber, dirty paper, used wall paper, diapers, food waste, window and mirror glass, china, porcelain, stoneware, crystal, pet litter, etc.

*Please do not put recyclable material like paper, cardboard, glass or metals in the refuse container.*

***Please no hazardous waste/material!***

***Please do not put hot charcoal or hot ash!***

The county picks up refuse every other week on a routine schedule

## Glass-> igloos at Recycling Point (separated by color)



### Only empty bottles and jars.

Please separate by colors (Clear, brown and green). Look for the labeling on containers.

Clear = "Weissglas",

**brown** = "Braunglas" and

**green** = "Grünglas".

Clear glass and brown glass must be kept absolutely pure. Other colors can be put in the containers for green glass.

### Do not put glass in front of the container

*Please remove lids.*

***Labels must not be removed. Please do not put in with bags.***

**Please do not put in window glass, windshields, mirrors, china, porcelain or crystal (= > put in refuse). Also, no light bulbs (fluorescent light bulbs and energy efficient lamps are hazardous waste because of their neon contents, regular round lamps are refuse).**

## Metal Cans -> Container at Recycling Points

(check for this container labeled "Dosen")



Empty metal cans of all kind including aluminum, like soda cans, food cans, completely empty spray cans from deodorant, hairspray, shaving foam, metal lids from jars and bottles.

### Note:

**DO NOT** throw plastic bags in the metal container. They belong into the Yellow Bag!

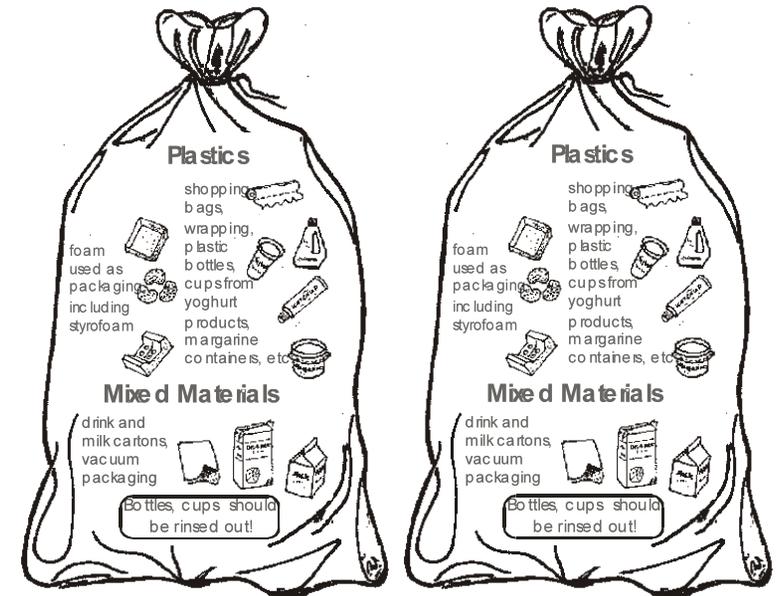
Cans and lids should be rinsed to keep insects away.

Labels don't have to be removed.



## The Yellow Bag (Plastics) -> curbside pick-up

for packing material consisting of plastic + plastic or wax coated material, i.e.....



- ..... shopping bags, plastic wrapping, plastic bottles or containers, cups from yogurt or margarine, foam used as packaging material including Styrofoam, drink, milk or water cartons.
- A string to tie the bag is attached to each bag.
- Please ensure that "Yellow Bag" items are empty and rinsed to get rid of food residues. This will reduce odors as you fill up the bag.
- Plastic "Yellow Bag" holders for your home can be picked- up at the Self Help Store, DSN 475-6300.

To order new Yellow Bags just put a sticker that is good visible on your last bag saying "**Benötige wieder neue Säcke**"

**If the County's contractor marked your Yellow Bag with a red sticker you need to resort the bag.**

## Cardboard (Kartonagen) -> curbside pick-up



You can use a larger cardboard box to collect your other broken down cardboard, than you only have to set out this box. Have the cardboard out on the sidewalk before 0600 a.m. on scheduled cardboard pick-up dates.

- Plastic labels or foil must be removed.
- Cardboard and other trash cannot be mixed

The County picks-up "Bundled Cardboard" every second month on a routine schedule. Pick-Up Schedules are available at Housing Office, the DPW Sort Office at bldg. # 329 and the DPW Self Help Store at bldg. # 394.

**If your cardboard is contaminated with other material the County's contractor will not pick it up!**

## Paper (Altpapier) -> 2 options

### Option 1: Bundled Paper -> curbside pick-up

The county picks-up even "Bundled Paper" every second month on a routine schedule. Pick-Up Schedules are available at Housing Office, the DPW Sort Office at bldg. # 329 and the DPW Self Help Store at bldg. # 394.

**Must be clean!** It includes news papers, catalogues, writing paper, books, notebooks, shopping bags, envelopes, clean napkins and paper towels, clean wrapping paper etc. Staples, plastic address windows on envelopes and cardboard hard covers from books must not be removed.

### Option 2: Paper Container -> at Recycling Point

For location of PAPER CONTAINERS see map on center page.



*Please do not put in dirty paper of any kind, carbon paper, diapers, wallpaper or wax coated or plastic coated paper products.*

*Please do not put in plastic bags. Remove all Styrofoam and plastic filling material and wrapping.*

# ESCHENBACH GRHP, LEASED HOUSING & PRIVATE RENTAL - TRASH BREAKDOWN

GLASS	CANS	PAPER	CARDBOARD	PLASTIC MATERIAL	REFUSE	USED CLOTHES	BULKY TRASH	"GREEN" WASTE	HAZARDOUS WASTE
									
<b>GLASS-CONTAINER's</b>	<b>"Dosen"-CONTAINER</b>	<b>"PAPIER" CONTAINERS</b>	<b>BUNDLED CARDBOARD</b>	<b>YELLOW BAGS</b>	<b>BLACK BINS</b>	<b>RED CROSS BINS</b>	<b>SEMI-ANNUAL COLLECTIONS</b>	<b>"STAEDTISCHE BAUHOFF"</b>	<b>SELF HELP STORE</b>
for individual location see map on reverse side			MONTHLY PICKUP	packing material only MONTHLY PICKUP	PICKUP BI-WEEKLY	VARIOUS PLACES see map on reverse	<b>BY THE COUNTY</b>	(Friedhofweg 1)	<b>ON POST</b>
<b>SEPARATE BY COLOUR:</b>	<b>EMPTY CANS</b>	<b>CLEAN PAPER</b>	<b>CARDBOARD</b>	<b>BEVERAGE CARTONS:</b>	<b>VACUUM CLEANER</b>	<b>USED "TEXTILES"</b>	<b>BULKY ITEMS TOO LARGE FOR REGULAR REFUSE BINS</b>	<b>COMPOSTABLE YARD- AND GARDEN WASTE</b>	<b>CLEANING CHEMICALS</b>
CLEAR	SODA CANS	PAPER BAGS	BOXES	MILK-, JUICE-, WATER, etc.	BAGS	ALL TYPES	ALL KIND OF	CUT GRASS	ACIDS & BASES
BROWN	FOOD CANS	NEWSPAPER	CEREAL BOXES		DIAPERS	OF USEABLE	SCRAP METAL	LEAVES	PAINT & THINNERS
GREEN	FRUIT CANS	MAGAZINES	CORRUGATED		USED NAPKINS	CLOTHING	APPLIANCES	TWIGS	STRIPPERS
BOTTLES	COFFEE CANS	BOOKS	CARDBOARD	<b>STYROFOAM:</b>	LIGHT BULBS	(I.E. SHIRTS,	ELECTRONICS	BRANCHES	SOLVENTS
AND	METAL LIDS	WRITING PAPER		BULK-, CHIPS- PLATES-, TRAYS	WINDOWS	TROUSERS,	SCRAP WOOD	WEEDS	POLISH
JARS	ALU FOIL	CIGARETTE			WINDSHIELDS	JACKETS,	& FURNITURE	PLANTS	ANTIFREEZE
ONLY!	FOOD TRAYS	CARTONS		<b>PLASTIC:</b>	MIRRORS	CRYSTAL	UPHOLSTERED	FLOWERS	MINERAL OIL
<b>OTHER COLORS:</b>	METAL	CATALOGS	PLEASE	WRAPPING-,	CRYSTAL	CERAMICS	FURNITURE	SOIL	CAR BATTERIES
PUT INTO GREEN GLASS-CONTAINER	POTS & PANS		FLATTEN AND BUNDLE!	FOILS-, BAGS-, DISHES-, CUPS	CERAMICS	STONEWARE	MATRESSES		FLUORESCENT LIGHT BULBS
	SMALL METAL ITEMS			ALL PLASTIC- OR WAX- COATED	SOILED PAPER	SOILED PAPER	CARPETS, RUGS		PLEASE RETURN BATTERIES AND USED ENGINE OIL TO STORES WHEN POSSIBLE
	<b>EMPTY (!) ONLY (!)</b>			CARTONS AND PAPER	CIGARETTE BUTTS	BLANKETS, PLAIDS,	REFRIGERATORS+ FREEZERS (w ill be picked up only with valid permission sticker only - to obtain a valid sticker call SORT Office)	<b>OPENING HOURS:</b>	
	SPRAY CANS				FOOD WASTE	SHOES, BOOTS, ETC.		Mo-Thu: 0730-1600	
	FROM NON-HAZARDOUS MATERIALS			CHIPS BAGS	PET LITTER			Fri: 0800-1200	
<b>NO(!)</b>	HAZARDOUS MATERIALS			NOODLE BAGS	ANIMAL FECES	<b>HELP THE RED CROSS IN HELPING OTHERS!</b>		Sat: 0900-1200	
WINDOWS	W/O	<b>NO(!)</b>		CANDY WRAP	DIRTY WRAP			(During the winter no Green Waste Container available)	PLEASE RETURN PROPANE GAS CONTAINERS TO SHOPPETTE
WINDSHIELDS	PLASTIC	CARBON PAPER	<b>NO(!)</b>		SMALL RUGS				
MIRRORS	CAPS	DIRTY PAPER	STYROFOAM	<b>NO(!)</b>	AND CARPETS				
CRYSTAL		PLASTIC- OR WAX-	OR PLASTIC	DIRTY MATERIAL					
PORCELAIN	<b>NO(!)</b>	COATED PAPER	PLASTIC- OR WAX-	PURE PAPER	<b>NO(!)</b>	<b>NO(!)</b>	<b>NO(!)</b>	<b>NO(!)</b>	<b>NO(!)</b>
CHINA	AUTOMOTIVE	BEVERAGE	COATED BOXES	OR CARDBOARD	RECYCLABLE MATERIAL OF ANY KIND NOR HAZARDOUS WASTE		HAZARDOUS WASTE	PLASTIC BAGS OR FOIL OR ANY OTHER MATERIAL INTO THE GREEN WASTE CONTAINER	<b>AUTOMOTIVE WASTE:</b>
CERAMICS	OR	CARTONS	BEVERAGE	PURE METAL			CANS, GLASS		PLEASE TAKE TO
STONEWARE	HAZARDOUS WASTE!	DIAPERS	CARTONS	GLASS			CARDBOARD		
LIGHT BULBS				DIAPERS			PAPER, PLASTICS		Car Care Center

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# City Eschenbach

## RECYCLING YARD

„Städtischer Bauhof“ (Friedhofweg 1)  
for yard/green waste, glass, metal cans  
paper, used cloth & batteries

**Recycling Point**  
“Ehemaliges Bahnhofsgelände”  
f. glass, metal cans and  
paper & used cloth

## Recycling Point

“Stirnbergstr.”

f. glass, metal cans and paper  
& used cloth



# Stadt Eschenbach i.d. OPf.

**Recycling Point**  
“Kapellenweg”  
f. glass, metal cans and paper  
& used cloth

