

**WE
RECYCLE !
DO
YOU ?**



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Recycling Guide

COMMUNITY FREIHUNG



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

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 Freihung 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 waste.

This pamphlet describes the recycling procedures within the Community Freihung to include Tanzfleck.

It covers the following subjects:

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

Pick-Up Schedules for refuse / recyclable material are available at the 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 hazardous waste and 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:



It is necessary to fill out a "BULK TRASH CHECK". These checks are available at the Wertstoffhof (Recycling Yard) and CityHall (Rathaus). Once you filled out this check you have to send it to the County (Landratsamt). Within 8 weeks the collection will be made by the company NBS, they will announce the pick- up date too.

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 protects 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 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. If 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.

Used clothing- Container at "Recycling Point"

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!

Deutsches Rotes Kreuz 

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 Recycling Containers pure! Put only the appropriate material in the individual recycling container!

If the container 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 pick-up days!

The county collects refuse and paper from the curbside on a routine schedule. Pick-Up Schedules are available at the Housing Office, DPW Self Help Store or the SORT Office. Place your containers at the curbside before 06:00 on pick-up days. Use this service always, even if your container is not filled up (it will help to avoid overflow until the next pick-up).

Container Locations:

Containers for refuse (black or gray) and paper (mostly green) are assigned to individual homes.

Containers for metal cans ("Dosen"), glass ("Glas") and used clothing and textiles can be found at Recycling Point in your neighborhood. See the map in the center of this booklet for exact locations.

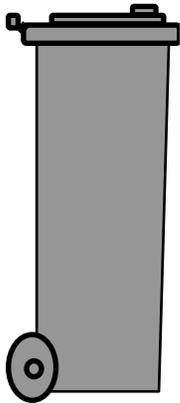
Please do not use the Recycling Points after 19:00 or on Sundays/German holidays.

Plastics and other recyclable material have to be brought to your German community's Recycling Yard. This facility is called "Wertstoffhof". 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-up



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. Please place your Refuse bin at the curbside before 06:00 a.m. on pickup day

Glass-> Container 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.

brown = "Braunglas"

clear = "Weissglas"

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 dispose off cans in bags (plastic or paper) !

Cans and lids should be rinsed to keep insects away.

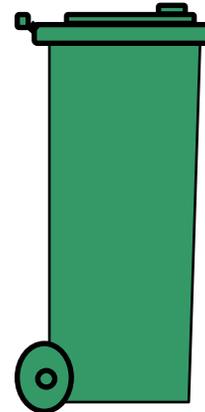
Labels don't have to be removed.



PAPER Bin (Altpapiertonne) -> green container

-> Curbside Pick-up

The county picks up your paper bin every fourth week on a routine schedule



Must be clean! It includes news papers, catalogues, writing paper, books, notebooks, shopping bags, envelopes, clean napkins and clean paper towels, clean wrapping paper etc.

Staples, plastic address windows on envelopes and cardboard hard covers from books must not be removed.

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.

Please place your paper bin at the curbside before 06:00 am on pickup day

RECYCLING YARD (Wertstoffhof)

(Industriestrasse Am Bahnhof - see map in the center of this booklet)



Opening hours:	Tuesday	April - September	15:00 -18:00
		October - March	14:00 -17:00
	Saturday	all year long	09:00 -12:00

NOTE: Closed on German holidays

Plastics must be separated as follows:

(the words in italics are the German names that you may find on the signs at the "Wertstoffhof")

- - *Becher* - plastic cups (from yogurt, pudding, margarine, etc.)
- - *Flaschen* - plastic bottles (water, juice, shampoo, cleaners, etc.)
- - *Kanister/Eimer* - empty plastic canisters and buckets
- - *Folien* - plastic foil (shopping bags, wrapping, etc.)

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- *Verbundmaterial* - composite material (wax- or plastic coated beverage cartons)
- - *Mischkunststoffe* - mixed plastics (chips bags, noodle bags, candy wrapping, frit nets, etc.)
- - *Styropor* - (clean) styrofoam parts and chips

Other Recyclables:

- - *Aluminium* - aluminum (aluminum foil, lids from yogurt cups, aluminum plates, etc.)
- - *Kork* - cork (like from wine bottles)
- - *Kartonagen* - cardboard (please fold boxes)
- - *Grün- und Gartenabfälle* - "green"- and garden waste (grass cuttings, leaves, trimmings, branches, home plants, and -soil, etc.)
- - *Altmetall* - metal scrap (nails, screws, metal pots and pans, bicycles, washers, dryers, stoves, etc.).
No refrigerators or freezers!
- - *Altkleider* - clothing, textiles and shoes, collected from the Red Cross to help needy people. Clean used clothing and home textiles (shoes only if tied together in matching pairs).
- - *Weissglas - Braunglas - Grünglas* - containers for clear, brown and green glass. Bottles, jars and drinking glasses only!
No window glass, windshields, mirrors, china, porcelain, crystal or light bulbs.
- - *Dosen* - empty metal cans of all kind, including aluminum cans, like soda cans, food cans, completely empty spray cans from deodorants, hairspray, shaving foam, metal lids from jars and bottles, small metal items like clothing hangers, etc.

FREIHUNG GRHP, LEASED HOUSING & PRIVATE RENTAL - TRASH BREAKDOWN

REFUSE	PAPER	CANS	GLASS	USED CLOTHES	CARDBOARD	PLASTIC MATERIAL	"GREEN" WASTE	BULKY TRASH	HAZARDOUS WASTE
									
BLACK BINS CURBSIDE PICKUP (BI-WEEKLY)	GREEN BINS CURBSIDE PICKUP (MONTHLY)	"Dosen"- container for individual locations see map on reverse side	GLASS- container	RED CROSS- container	"WERTSTOFFHOF" INDUSTRIESTR. FREIHUNG	"WERTSTOFFHOF" INDUSTRIESTR. FREIHUNG	"WERTSTOFFHOF" INDUSTRIESTR. FREIHUNG	3 OPTIONS for each option see page 19	SELF HELP STORE GRAFENWOEHR
VACUUM CLEANER	CLEAN PAPER	EMPTY CANS	SEPARATE BY:	USED "TEXTILES"	CARDBOARD	BEVERAGE CARTONS:	COMPOSTABLE YARD- AND GARDEN WASTE	BULKY ITEMS TOO LARGE FOR REGULAR REFUSE BINS	CLEANING CHEMICALS ACIDS & BASES PAINT & THINNERS STRIPPERS SOLVENTS POLISH ANTIFREEZE MINERAL OIL CAR BATTERIES DRY BATTERIES AEROSOLS FLUORESCENT LIGHT BULBS
BAGS	PAPER BAGS	SODA CANS	CLEAR	ALL TYPES OF USEABLE	BOXES	MILK-, JUICE-, WATER, etc.	CUT GRASS	ALL KIND OF SCRAP METAL APPLIANCES ELECTRONICS REFRIGERATORS FREEZERS	
DIAPERS	NEWSPAPER	FOOD CANS	BROWN	CLOTHING (I.E. SHIRTS, TROUSERS, JACKETS, BABY CLOTH ETC.	CORRUGATED CARDBOARD		LEAVES TWIGS BRANCHES WEEDS PLANTS FLOWERS SOIL		
USED NAPKINS	MAGAZINES	FRUIT CANS	GREEN			STYROFOAM: BULK-, CHIPS- PLATES-, TRAYS			
LIGHT BULBS	BOOKS	COFFEE CANS	BOTTLES AND JARS ONLY!			PLASTIC: WRAPPING-, FOILS-, BAGS-, DISHES-, CUPS			
WINDOWS	WRITING PAPER	METAL LIDS			PLEASE FLATTEN!				
WINDSHIELDS	CIGARETTE- CARTONS	ALU FOIL							
MIRRORS		FOOD TRAYS							
CRYSTAL									
CERAMICS		METAL							
STONEWARE		POTS & PANS							
SOILED PAPER			OTHER						
CIGARETTEBUTTS		EMPTY (!)	COLORS:	ALSO:				SCRAP WOOD & FURNITURE	
COLD ASHES		SPRAY CANS	PUT INTO GREEN	BLANKETS, PLAIDS, SHOES, BOOTS, ETC.		ALL PLASTIC- OR WAX- COATED CARTONS AND PAPER			PLEASE RETURN BATTERIES AND USED ENGINE OIL TO STORES WHEN POSSIBLE
SOOT		ONLY(!) FROM NON- HAZARDOUS MATERIALS W/O PLASTIC CAPS				CHIPS BAGS NOODLE BAGS CANDY WRAP			
PEELINGS									
FOOD WASTE									
PET LITTER									
ANIMAL FECES									
DIRTY WRAP									
SMALL RUGS AND CARPETS			NO(!)	HELP THE RED CROSS IN HELPING OTHERS!					PLEASE RETURN PROPANE GAS CONTAINERS TO SHOPPETTE
	NO(!) CARBON PAPER	NO(!) Disposal of cans in bags	WINDOWS WINDSHIELDS MIRRORS CRYSTAL PORCELAIN CHINA CERAMICS		NO(!) STYROFOAM OR PLASTIC PLASTIC- OR WAX- COATED BOXES	NO(!) DIRTY MATERIAL OF ANY KIND PURE PAPER OR CARDBOARD PURE METAL			
NO(!) RECYCLABLE MATERIAL OF ANY KIND	DIRTY PAPER PLASTIC- OR WAX- COATED PAPER						NO(!) PLASTIC BAGS OR FOIL OR ANY OTHER MATERIAL!	NO(!) HAZARDOUS WASTE CANS, GLASS CARDBOARD PAPER, PLASTICS	NO(!) <u>AUTOMOTIVE WASTE:</u> PLEASE TAKE TO Car Care Center
HAZARDOUS WASTE	BEVERAGE CARTONS DIAPERS	HAZARDOUS WASTE!	STONEWARE LIGHT BULBS	DIRTY CLOTHES TORN CLOTHES	BEVERAGE CARTONS	GLASS DIAPERS			

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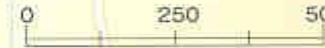
RECYCLING YARD (Wertstoffhof)

“Industriestr. (Am Bahnhof)
for cardboard, yard/green waste, glass,
metal cans, scrap metal, used cloth &
batteries, CD debris, plastics etc.
(see pages 9 + 14)



Zeichenerklärung

- Rathaus
- Schule allg.
- Kirche, Kapelle
- Sportplatz, Tennisplatz
- Sporthalle, Turnhalle
- Kinderspielplatz
- Kindergarten



Recycling Point

“Hämmerleinsmühlstrasse”

for metal cans, glass separated by
color & used cloth



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