

Municipal waste collection of plastic, cans and drink cartons

Waste collection is changing as from 5 February 2024

As from Monday, 5 February 2024, waste collection is changing for most 's-Hertogenbosch residents. Residents who now use a small wheelie bin for residual waste (i.e., household waste after separating what can be recycled) will be given an extra PCD (plastic packaging, cans and drink cartons) bin. We will collect the residual waste once every three weeks as from that date.



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What does our residual waste consist of?

Volume

5% paper and cardboard

10% nappies and incontinence material

1% glass

15% green waste

55% plastic packaging, cans and drink cartons

2% textile

12% residual waste

What will change for you?

Do you use a grey small bin for your residual waste (= wheelie bin)?

The following will then change as from 5 February 2024:

- You will receive a small PCD bin. This is a grey bin with an orange lid that can hold 240 litres. We will empty it once every three weeks. No less than 55% of our current residual waste consists of PCD. By collecting this waste separately from your home, we can recycle PCD waste. It will also create quite some extra space in your grey bin.
- We do understand that it will take a little while to adjust to having an extra bin. You do, however, really need this bin to properly separate your waste. Use it and experience the

Why are we introducing this new waste collection?

We are still as a community producing too much residual waste. On average, this is 216 kilograms per resident per year in our municipality while the national objective is set at 100 kilograms of residual waste per resident per year. And preferably this should be even lower.

Why should we aim at less residual waste?

We incinerate residual waste. This is harmful to the environment and it is a shame. No less than approximately 88% of your residual waste contains raw materials that we can easily recycle.

The incineration costs also increase year-on-year and therefore we will eventually not be able to afford to incinerate residual waste.

convenience. If you do not like using this bin, let us know after 1 September 2024 and we will pick up the bin.

- If your plot is smaller than 150 m², you may refuse the bin in advance. This would mean that you would not receive a PCD bin at all. We will then also pick up your residual waste once every three weeks. In this case, take your PCD to the underground containers for PCD at shopping centres or supermarkets. They will continue to be available.
- Do you live in Nuland or Vinkel? Currently, we still collect PCD in plastic bags. However, we will also be supplying PCD bins there. Do you live in Maaspoort or 't Ven and are you already using a PCD bin? Nothing will change.
- The aforementioned measures will significantly reduce the quantity of residual waste. We will therefore empty the grey small bin for residual waste once every three weeks as from Monday, 5 February 2024.
- Old paper will still be collected once every four weeks and green waste will be collected once every two weeks.

Do you use an underground or indoor container for your residual waste?

Do you use an underground container for residual waste? Nothing will change for now. This also applies to residents who take their waste to an indoor container room in/near the apartment block where they live.

Do you live in an apartment block? You will then probably have less space to properly separate your waste streams. We are therefore currently studying whether your residual waste can be separated afterwards. This means that we pick up the waste, take it to a special factory and then separate it further.

We will only know in autumn 2024 whether these plans will go ahead. We will then take a decision on how to deal with this residual waste. If we do start to separate waste afterwards, it would be a waste to give households extra bins now.

Less left is best

The "*minder rest dat kan best*" (less left is best) campaign will help and motivate you to separate waste better. The 's-Hertogenbosch Afvalstoffendienst (Waste Disposal Service) gives tips and tricks through newsletters, mailing actions and a separate website to ultimately be left with less residual waste.

What next?

Do you currently use a grey small bin for your residual waste (= wheelie bin)? You will then receive a letter in October from the 's-Hertogenbosch Waste Disposal Service. Do you live on a plot that is smaller than 150 m²? You can then read in this letter how you can refuse to accept the PCB bin if necessary.

The Inovim company will be delivering the PCD bins as from Monday, 8 January 2024. This will take a few weeks. The new waste collection method will apply as from 5 February.

You can find more information by visiting www.minderrestdatkanbest.nl.