

Trinity College Dublin

Waste Management Policy (2021)

College must comply with the legislative requirements governing the disposal of waste. This places the responsibility on all staff, students and contractors on College sites to dispose of waste in a responsible and legal manner. Procedures are in place and available to all Departments and Offices to facilitate compliance. All staff, students and contractors are required to co-operate and support this Waste Management Policy by:

- Actively minimising the volumes of waste produced on College property;
- Choosing to purchase reusable products rather than disposables;
- Recycling all recyclable wastes (for a list of what is recyclable see [here](#));
- Composting food waste and other compostables (see locations of brown bins [here](#));
- Disposing of waste generated only on site at Trinity, in Trinity waste receptacles*. Note: waste receptacles are monitored by CCTV.

To assist in raising the level of awareness and compliance regarding waste minimisation and waste segregation, Heads of Buildings, Heads of School, Department Heads and Office Managers shall appoint representatives to consult with Estates and Facilities and to advise on and communicate waste management procedures within their office/ department/ school.

Training on waste segregation and proper management of waste is advertised by Human Resources through the Learning & Organisation Development Events Calendar.

For further information please consult the waste management pages on the [Sustainability website](#).

*As per College general regulations [page H19, paragraph 28]:

“It is an offence to deposit litter or other waste in any location within the college perimeter other than in the designated litter bins or other waste disposal units provided on campus. It is also an offence to use College waste management or recycling facilities to dispose of personal domestic waste of any kind – whether recyclable or not....”

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