



CITY OF CAPE TOWN
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Events Waste Services Frequently Asked Questions

What if we are hosting our event on private property?

[The Integrated Waste Management By-law](#) applies to any sporting, entertainment, cultural or religious event that is to take place on private or public property, including sports stadia and conference centres.

Who will arrange the clean-up for the event?

It is the responsibility of the event organiser/manager to arrange the clean-up. Please ensure that you make use of an accredited cleaning agency/company or contract with the City's Cleansing Department.

For more information, visit the following pages on the City's website:

- [Recycling services](#)
- [Apply for an event permit](#)

Who should we contact at City?

You can email Solid Waste Management Cleansing: Head: Events and Partnership at noxolo.booyesen@capetown.gov.za.

The event organiser must submit a waste management plan, which includes:

- the cleaning of venue and surroundings,
- waste separation and recycling,
- waste collection and disposal of waste generated at such an events.

Download and complete the [Solid Waste Management Form: Event Waste Management Plan](#).

Find out more about accredited waste service providers for [commercial](#) and [residential](#) waste.

For more information on the submission of an Integrated Waste management Plan, email waste.accreditation@capetown.gov.za

Can we use glass containers?

The use, sale or distribution of glass or similar containers is prohibited at events taking place in a public area.

The waste management officer can give prior consent provided adequate provisions are in place to reduce the likelihood of injury from broken glass.

What happens if event organisers do not obey the [Integrated Waste Management By-law](#)?

[The integrated waste management plan](#) must include detailed costing information, and the organiser, management or owner will be required to pay a refundable deposit as determined by the City.

The waste management officer may arrange for the collection, clean-up, recycling and disposal of the waste in the event that the organiser/management/owner fails or neglects to:

- obtain the services of an accredited service provider before the event;
- provide the City with the integrated waste management plan; or
- remove the waste generated during the event from the event venue or the surrounding area after the event has taken place.

The cost for the collection, clean-up, recycling and disposal of the waste shall be payable by the event organiser and may be recovered from the deposit paid or in terms of the City's [Credit Control and Debt Collection By-law](#).

Any person who intends to generate event waste shall contract with an accredited service provider for the collection and disposal of such waste to a licenced waste disposal facility and provide proof of this to the City as part of its integrated waste management plan.

How does the Waste Management Officer assess and document waste offences?

- The Waste Management Officer may call (in writing) for a report in respect of the impact of waste in a specified form as stipulated in the City's guidelines.
- If the report is not submitted within the period specified, the Waste Management Officer may appoint an independent person to compile the report and recover the related costs from the person required to submit it.
- The Waste Management Officer may also call for an independent report if it is suspected that: The person has previously contravened the Integrated Waste Management By-law to the detriment of the environment, health or social conditions, the economy, the ecology or any cultural heritage.
- Or, if the person has not complied with a license issued in terms of provincial or national legislation, the Waste Management Officer will then direct the person who failed to comply with the Integrated Waste Management By-law to remedy the situation as recommended in the report.
- If necessary, the City will take the necessary action and the person who contravened the Integrated Waste Management By-law is liable for all those costs as well.

What are the new fines and penalties?

Admission-of-guilt fines range from R500 to R2 500.

If the matter goes to court, the penalty could be R10 000 or higher, and could include imprisonment.

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INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT BY-LAW, 2009

ADMISSION OF GUILT FINES

SECTION	OFFENCE	FINE
Section 15(1)	Littering or dumping under 1m ³	R500
	Littering or dumping over 1m ³ to 3m ³	R1000
	littering or dumping over 3m ³ to 5m ³	R1500
	Littering or dumping over 5m ³ to 7m ³	R2000
	litter or dumping over 7m ³ to 8m ³	R2 500
Section 12(b)	Conveying of an uncovered load which results in spillage of load— Spillage under 1m ³	R500
	Spillage over 1m ³ to 3m ³	R1000
	Spillage over 3m ³ to 5m ³	R1500

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	Spillage over 5m ³ to 7m ³	R2000
	Spillage over 7m ³ to 8m ³	R2500
	Conveying of an unsecured load which results in spillage of load— Spillage under 1 m ³	R500
	Spillage over 1m ³ to 3m ³	R1000
	Spillage over 3m ³ to 5m ³	R1500
	Spillage over 5m ³ to 7m ³	R2000
	Spillage over 7m ³ to 8m ³	R2500

Source: [*Integrated Waste Management By-law, 2009*](#)

What if I cannot comply with the Waste Management Officer's directives?

If an integrated waste management plan is rejected or not submitted at all, the waste management officer shall give directives as to what waste management measures must be taken by the waste generator.

Should the waste generator fail to take such measures within the period specified by the waste management officer, the City may implement such measures and the waste generator will be liable for the cost thereof.