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KEMPSEY Shire Council

red bin for rubbish

RED RUBBISH

All residents have either a 140-litre or a 240-litre red-lidded rubbish bin. It is collected fortnightly.

How to request extra bins? The standard bins for households are 240 litres. You can request additional bins for a pro rata fee if you are a property owner or manager or have permission to do this as a tenant – phone the Waste Hotline on **1300 342 207**.

Helpful Hints

- put your house number on your bin to protect against loss or theft
- don't put items beside or on top of your bin or jam rubbish in, as it may get stuck
- don't overload your bin – the maximum weight is 80kg
- think of your red rubbish bin as a last resort. Can you recycle, compost, donate or sell it instead?

Where does your rubbish go?

The contents of your red bin are sent to the local landfill on Crescent Head Road. We should all do our best to reduce the amount of rubbish we put in the red bin.

The potential environmental and public health issues related to landfill include:

- increasing management costs for the community
- loss of resources
- greenhouse gas emissions
- water contamination
- dust and odour issues
- noise issues
- land availability

What can go in the RED bin?

- ✓ household general waste
- ✓ plastic bags
- ✓ non-recyclable items
- ✓ nappies
- ✓ pet waste, kitty litter
- ✓ foam, polystyrene
- ✓ light globes
- ✓ mirrors
- ✓ ceramics, cookware
- ✓ drinking glasses

What can't go in the RED bin?

- ✗ no bricks, heavy timber or steel
- ✗ no paints, chemicals, liquids or motor oil
- ✗ no garden waste – put this in your green bin instead
- ✗ no medical waste or syringes

Household problem wastes include unused paint, old smoke detectors, polystyrene, household and car batteries, fluorescent light globes and tubes, motor and other oils, electronic waste, gas bottles and fire extinguishers.

Problem wastes can cause problems if put into any kerbside bin, including environmental pollution outside your property.

Our Community Recycling Centre offers a free and easy solution for the disposal and recycling of household problem wastes.