

Run a business?

If so you will need to prepare for legal changes that will come into force from **6 April 2024**.

Produce waste?

You should already have arrangements in place for the storage, collection and disposal of any trade waste by a licenced waste carrier or be taking this waste to a licenced waste transfer station.

What's changing?

There will be a legal requirement on anyone who produces waste from any business activity to separate that into the following waste streams:

- **Food**
- **Paper + Card** (can be mixed in the same container)
- **Glass**
- **Metal + Plastic + Cartons** (can be mixed in the same container)
- **Unsold textiles**
- **Unsold small waste electrical and electronic equipment (sWEEE)**

There will also be a ban on:

- **Sending food waste to sewer (any amount)**
- **Separately collected waste going to incineration and landfill**
- **All wood waste going to landfill**

What's not changing?

You must:

- **Have a contract with a licenced operator to collect your trade waste**
 - ⇒ **Paying for the collection and disposal costs**

Or

- **Take your own trade waste to a licenced Transfer Station**
 - ⇒ **Saving the collection cost but not the disposal costs**
 - ⇒ **To do this you may need to register as a waste carrier. For further information visit:**

[Natural Resources Wales / Register or renew as a waste carrier, broker or dealer](#)

You must not:

- **Present your trade waste for collection with/as domestic waste**
- **Present your trade waste for collection in/at litter bins and recycling points**
- **Take your trade waste to a Household Waste Site**
- **Burn your trade waste**

If you do, or attempt, to you are potentially subject to prosecution.



Changes for who?

The law change applies to all businesses, charities and public sector organisations. This includes:

- Agricultural premises
- Hospitality and tourism - restaurants, bars, pubs, bed and breakfasts, hotels, campsites and caravan parks, holiday accommodation, and licensed premises
- Showgrounds
- Service stations and petrol stations
- Entertainment and sports venues including leisure centres
- Transport - bus stations, railway stations, seaports, airports, and heliports
- Care and nursing homes
- Pharmacies, GP surgeries, dental surgeries, and other primary care settings
- Construction sites
- Factories and warehouses
- Car garages
- Education - universities, colleges, and schools
- Garden centres
- Heritage buildings
- Libraries and museums
- Offices and workshops
- Places of worship
- Prisons
- Outdoor markets and festivals

The only workplace that has an additional 2 years to comply is NHS hospitals and private hospitals.

How to change?

Ceredigion County Council can provide a service on a full cost recovery basis. This means that there is likely to be a significant increase to our current charges. This will be considered as part of the Council's wider budget, fees and charges setting processes for 2024/25. Our trade waste charges for 2024/25 will be confirmed during February 2024.

A summary of the service the Council can provide as of 1 April 2024 is shown in **Table 1**.

There are other service providers locally. You should consider your options now to have the legally required arrangements that best meet your needs in place by **6 April 2024**.

Why change?

The change is intended to improve the quality and quantity of recycling from workplaces which is good from an environmental and financial perspective.

Further information

General

[Workplace recycling | GOV.WALES](#)

Ceredigion County Council

For information on the service the Council can provide contact clcc@ceredigion.gov.uk or call 01545 570881

Table 1: Ceredigion County Council Trade Waste Service 2024

Material	Frequency	Container
Food	Weekly	23ltr Caddy 140ltr Wheelie bin
Paper + Card	Fortnightly	Blue Sack
Glass	Three weekly	40ltr Box 240ltr Wheelie bin
Metal + Plastic + Cartons	Fortnightly	Red Sack
Residual	Three weekly	Orange Sack 240ltr Wheelie bin 1100ltr Wheelie bin
Unsold textiles	On request	On request
Unsold small waste electrical and electronic equipment (sWEEE)	On request	On request

