

Waste Services update

FOGO Exemption

Glenorchy City Council is moving to a three-bin waste collection service. The new bin will collect garden waste and food waste and is called FOGO (Food Organic Garden Organic).

All households will be given a 240 litre FOGO wheelie bin with a lime green lid, a small bucket (called a kitchen caddy), and 12 months' supply of caddy liner bags.

Wheelie bins and caddies will start arriving in January, with collection starting in February. More information will come through your letterbox closer to the time. Please visit wastestartswithu.com.au/all-about-fogo for more information about FOGO.

Can I get a FOGO exemption?

We encourage everyone to try the FOGO service and recycle their garden and food waste. But we recognise that some people might not need or be able to use/afford the FOGO service. You will be able to apply to be exempt from the FOGO service if:

- You already compost your own food/garden waste or produce very little. See over the page for examples of when this might apply to you
- You are in financial hardship and simply can't afford the FOGO service (in which case you will still get the FOGO bin but may be exempt from the FOGO fee or other Council fees)
- You have exceptional or unusual circumstances which make a FOGO service unreasonable or impractical.

You will be able to apply for an exemption from February 2020. Your FOGO bin will still be delivered in February 2020 and if you are given an exemption we will collect it back from you in July. It will be yours to use until then and you will get to keep your kitchen caddy!

What happens after I apply?

You will be contacted after your application has been reviewed, and either:

- a. Given an exemption on your 2020/21 rates notice; or
- b. Provided a list of options that will help you become exempt, and invited to reapply.

Please see over for some examples of exempt households.



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Example 1



- Solo occupant
- Property size 204m²
- Estimated Organic Waste: 30kgs/year (lower than national average*)
- Low food waste
- Minimal green waste

EXEMPTION OPPORTUNITIES

One food waste diversion system in place e.g. compost bin, worm bin, Bokashi, garbage disposal unit, gives to neighbour's compost/animals, gets Meals on Wheels or is registered as compost donor on ShareWaste.

Example 2



- Two occupants
- Property size 890m²
- Estimated Organic Waste:
FOOD: 102kgs/year
GREEN: Trees, shrubs, vege patch, seasonal beds, lawn
- Average* food waste
- Average green waste

EXEMPTION OPPORTUNITIES

1. **Two food waste diversion systems in place.** Either two compost bin units (one decomposing and one 'active' for putting food scraps). Or one compost bin and another composting system for food scraps, e.g. worm bin, pets that eat food waste, Bokashi, garbage disposal unit, gives to neighbour's compost/animals. Compost bins should be maintained (turned regularly) so they remain 'aerobic', not slimy or stinky and producing methane (aneorobic).
2. **One green waste diversion system** e.g. 'cold' compost pile or mulching machinery for larger green waste.

Example 3



- Family of four
- Property size 1152m²
- Estimated Organic Waste:
FOOD: 208kgs/year
GREEN: Trees, vege patch, shrubs, lawn
- Average* Food waste
- Green waste

EXEMPTION OPPORTUNITIES

1. **Minimum three food waste diversion systems** in place to manage larger volume of food waste. Must have at least two large compost bins (one decomposing and one 'active' for putting food scraps), and another food waste management system for meat/bones/dairy. Compost bins should be maintained (turned regularly) so they remain 'aerobic', not slimy or stinky and producing methane (aneorobic).
2. **One green waste diversion system** for larger green waste, e.g. cold compost pile or mulching machinery

*National average for food waste is 1.735 kg/person/week, or 5.47 litres/person/week. Sources: Federal Government's *National Food Waste Baseline Report 2019* (page 87) and EPA's *Food Waste Tracking Survey 2017* (page 2). Note: GCC is using the lower reading of 1kg /person/week.