

The 2018/2019 financial year will bring changes to charges for waste disposal at the Katherine Waste Management Facility.

The new pricing regime is aimed at moving towards recovering the full cost of waste management and a user pays model, as well as aiming towards a more sustainable waste management strategy.

DOMESTIC CUSTOMERS

Council's waste charge is included in your rates notice as a separate item. This charge relates to kerbside waste collection, management of public waste bins and access, for all ratepayers, to the Katherine Waste Management Facility for the disposal of most waste types at no cost.

The Council has decided to introduce charges for tyres, whitegoods and gas bottles. A review of waste management in Katherine has shown that these items require more involved management, resulting in high costs. Instead of reflecting these costs in the general rates or fees, Council has decided to introduce individual charges for these items.

FREE WASTE SERVICES

Council provides a number of free waste services including;

- Domestic scrap metal collection;
- DrumMuster Container Collection (appointments required);
- Car Batteries; and
- E-Waste, through the TechCollect scheme.
- Domestic oil collection;

Please ask at the weighbridge office for where these items can be deposited.

For a full list of the weighbridge charges please see the Council website: <http://www.katherine.nt.gov.au/Council-Services/waste-recycling>



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DOMESTIC WASTE FEES & CHARGES

Effective as of the 1st of September 2018

2018/19 FEES & CHARGES WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITY

Service Description	Fee	Unit of Measure	GST
General Domestic Disposal (at WMF)	Free	Per tonne	N
Tyres			
Tyres - Passenger	\$6.50	Per tyre	Y
Tyres - 4WD/LT	\$13	Per tyre	Y
Disposal of Animal Carcasses			
Large Animal	Free	Per animal	N
Small Animal	Free	Per animal	N
Whitegoods			
Degassed (proof required)	\$20	Per tonne	Y
With Gas or no documentation	\$60	Per item	Y
Gas Bottles/Fire Extinguishers	\$50	Per item	Y
Oil			
Oil	Free		N
DrumMuster All containers must be empty and triple rinsed. DrumMuster only available via appointment - (08) 8971 2014	Free	Per container	N
Car Batteries	Free	Per item	N
E-Waste	Free	Per item	N

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If you have any further inquiries please contact the Council on 8972 5500.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Why are individual charges being introduced for items such as gas bottles, whitegoods and tyres?
Some items cannot simply be placed into landfill or recycled and require specific management. These include items such as fridges, where the gas must be safely and responsibly removed, prior to recycling. Charging individually for these items will ensure that the cost of management is paid upfront, providing a more sustainable model for running the waste facility.



How does this affect domestic users?

Domestic users will continue to be able to access the facility to dispose of household rubbish and a number of other wastes at no cost. Some individual charges will apply to items which are costly to manage. These are whitegoods, tyres, gas bottles and fire extinguishers. Domestic users with these items will be required to pay with cash or by EFTPOS card when entering the facility.



What is stopping me dumping my load in the bush or skip bins in town – rather than pay fee at the Waste Facility?

Illegal dumping is the unlawful disposal of waste to land or waters. Dumping can occur on public or private land and ranges from small bags of rubbish or household waste in an urban environment to larger scale dumping of materials, such as construction and demolition waste, in more isolated areas. It leads to many negative consequences on the community including; higher rates, lower property values, health risks and environmental harm. Katherine Town Council takes illegal dumping seriously and will enforce Council By-laws and escalate serious offenders to be prosecuted under the Waste Management and Pollution Control Act. The community is encouraged to report illegal dumping. Your help in reporting information relating to illegally dumped materials is important.