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TOP TIPS FOR FASTER, MORE EFFICIENT WASTE REMOVAL

Efficient waste management and recycling offers significant benefits beyond a tidier workspace. There's the cost savings of less waste and less waste collection, plus earnings from recycling materials. Less time and labour is required to manage waste and recycling, health and safety risks can be better managed, public perception can improve, and your local environment and community can benefit.

4 KEYS TO BETTER WASTE MANAGEMENT

MAKE A PLAN

Begin by identifying the types of waste generated by your organisation and determining how each type should be disposed. Check local ordinances to ensure your disposal methods meet any requirements. Establish collection methods and areas for each waste type or disposal method, and schedule compaction duties and waste collection services. Finally, make sure everyone involved knows the plan, its importance and their role in it.

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SEPARATE AT THE SOURCE

Minimise the effort and time involved in waste management and recycling by separating recyclable materials as you collect them. Put cardboard in one bin, paper in another, glass in another and so on, so you don't have to sort through a big pile of general waste or recyclables when it's time for the waste to be collected. If you run a restaurant or café, or have a small retail store, consider providing divided collection bins for customers to separate general and food waste from recyclables.



KEEP YOUR BALERS CLOSE

Eliminate multiple trips to your waste balers by keeping them near your separation and collection area. If you cycle your balers a couple of times each day, consider using the chamber of the baler itself as your waste collection point. For example, rather than building a tower of empty cardboard boxes throughout the day, load them directly into your baler so they're ready to be compacted.

PICK PAPER IF POSSIBLE

Most volume waste products, such as plates, cups and even drinking straws, are now available in paper form. As much as possible, choose paper to improve your waste management. Paper compacts better than most other materials, meaning you can pack more into a bale. It's typically fully recyclable, which lets you keep all that waste out of landfills and even make a return if your locality pays for recyclable paper. Plus, paper is easier to package, resulting in less packaging for you to recycle from the start.

