

#### UNITS & FLATS

# Making room for the 3 bin system.

Space is often a premium for units and flats, but here are some tips to help adjust to the 3 bin system.



The 3 bin system is designed to divert up to 75% of waste from landfill by capturing food and garden waste in the green lidded organics bin and recyclables in the yellow lidded recycling bin.. For those living in a unit, villa or flat, finding space may present a challenge. These tips will help.

## MANAGING

YOUR BINS

## MAKING THE MOST OF THE 3 BIN SYSTEM

It might be useful to take another look at what can go into your yellow lidded recycling bin. Many plastic containers can be recycled, including plastic take-away containers.

- A good rule of thumb is that if you can't easily scrunch the plastic in your hand, then it is able to be recycled
- Please don't bag any of your recyclables or food waste in plastic bags – it will just end up in landfill
- Remember, collection trucks are not able to collect overflowing bins. If the lid won't close you may have to keep some material aside for the next collection.

### WHERE THERE'S A WILL, THERE'S A WAY

Residents are encouraged to keep their kitchen caddy in the kitchen and leave it at the property when you move out. Bulky items and excess waste can be taken to your local transfer station or waste facility. It might be worth assessing how waste is sorted in your home. Perhaps you won't need as much space for general waste, making more room for food waste and recycling sorting areas.

#### OTHER OPTIONS

Depending on the available space for bins, properties with multiple residences such as units and flats may require residents to share some bins.

Property managers for larger groups of units or flats are encouraged to contact your local council for more assistance.

If there is not a bin allocated to each unit or flat and you continually have more waste than your bins allow, contact your local council for other solutions.

To find out more call your council or visit our website halvewaste.com.au











