

Commercial Waste and Recycling Kerbside Collection Services and Indicative Price List 2026-27 (prices may be subject to change)



Orkney Islands Council offers a trade waste and recycling collection service to all businesses on Mainland Orkney. On some non-linked isles, beige bags are used for disposing of commercial waste.

Please note that any variation to the contract within the financial year attracts a £77.00 cost per variation.

All costs include bin rental and the collection and disposal of the contained waste at stated frequency.

To make any changes to the commercial waste and recycling service for your site, or to take out a new service, please contact our team on 01856 873535 Ext. 2320 or email: dutyofcare@orkney.gov.uk.

Mainland Waste Services

Annual Trade Waste Collection Service 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2027	Total Charge (£)	Charity Charge (£)
1100 litre bin, emptied twice per week (104 collections)	£3,957.20	£551.20
1100 litre bin, emptied once per week (52 collections)	£2,012.40	£309.40
1100 litre bin, emptied once per fortnight (26 collections)	£1,040.00	£187.20
240 litre bin, emptied twice per week (104 collections)	£1,227.20	£488.80
240 litre bin, emptied once per week (52 collections)	£618.80	£247.00
240 litre bin, emptied once per fortnight (26 collections)	£312.00	£128.70
140 litre bin, emptied twice per week (104 collections)	£925.60	£488.80
140 litre bin, emptied once per week (52 collections)	£465.40	£247.00
140 litre bin, emptied once per fortnight (26 collections)	£236.60	£128.70

Seasonal Trade Waste Collection Service 1 April 2026 to 31 October 2026 only	Total Charge (£)	Charity Charge (£)
1100 litre bin, emptied twice per week (60 collections)	£2,766.00	£384.00
1100 litre bin, emptied once per week (30 collections)	£1,407.00	£214.50
1100 litre bin, emptied once per fortnight (15 collections)	£727.50	£131.25
240 litre bin, emptied twice per week (60 collections)	£861.00	£339.00
240 litre bin, emptied once per week (30 collections)	£430.50	£174.00
240 litre bin, emptied once per fortnight (15 collections)	£218.25	£90.75
140 litre bin, emptied twice per week (60 collections)	£648.00	£339.00
140 litre bin, emptied once per week (30 collections)	£325.50	£174.00
140 litre bin, emptied once per fortnight (15 collections)	£165.00	£90.00

Mainland Recycling Services

Annual Source Segregated Recyclates Collection Service 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2027	Total Charge (£)	Charity Charge (£)
240 litre bin, fortnightly collection with each stream collected every four weeks (26 collections)	£165.10	£132.60
140 litre bin, fortnightly collection with each stream collected every four weeks (26 collections)	£150.80	£132.60

Seasonal Source Segregated Recyclates Collection Service 1 April 2026 to 31 October 2026 only	Total Charge (£)	Charity Charge (£)
240 litre bin, fortnightly collection with each stream collected every four weeks (15 collections)	£115.50	£90.75
140 litre bin, fortnightly collection with each stream collected every four weeks (15 collections)	£104.25	£90.75

Please note – Source Segregated recycling services are currently only available to Mainland and Shapinsay commercial customers.

Annual Corrugated Cardboard Collection Service 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2027	Total Charge (£)	Charity Charge (£)
Cardboard Collection; 1100 litre bin, emptied once per fortnight (26 collections)	£475.80	£351.00
Approximately 1000 litre Bundle of Loose Cardboard (no bin), collected once per fortnight (26 collections)	£409.50	£130.00
Cardboard Collection; 240 litre bin, emptied once per fortnight (26 collections)	£165.10	£132.60

Seasonal Corrugated Cardboard Collection Service 1 April 2026 to 31 October 2026 only	Total Charge (£)	Charity Charge (£)
Cardboard Collection; 1100 litre bin, emptied once per fortnight (15 collections)	£333.00	£245.25
Approximately 1000 litre Bundle of Loose Cardboard (no bin), collected once per fortnight (15 collections)	£285.75	£88.50
Cardboard Collection; 240 litre bin, emptied once per fortnight (15 collections)	£117.00	£91.50

Please note – A service to collect corrugated cardboard is available on the Mainland only. Cardboard is collected on a fortnightly basis loose, or in a 240 or 1100 litre bin.

Annual Waste Cooking Oil Collection Service 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2027	Total Charge (£)	Charity Charge (£)
Waste Cooking Oil Collection; approx. 4 drums per fortnight (26 collections)	£478.40	£456.30

Seasonal Waste Cooking Oil Collection Service 1 April 2026 to 31 October 2026 only	Total Charge (£)	Charity Charge (£)
Waste Cooking Oil Collection; approx. 4 drums per fortnight (15 collections)	£333.75	£318.00

Please note – A service to collect Waste Cooking Oil is available on the Mainland only.

Non-Linked Isles

Shapinsay Annual Trade Waste Collection Service 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2027	Total Charge (£)	Charity Charge (£)
1100 litre bin, emptied once per fortnight (26 collections)	£1,040.00	£187.20
240 litre bin, emptied once per fortnight (26 collections)	£312.00	£128.70
140 litre bin, emptied once per fortnight (26 collections)	£236.60	£128.70

Shapinsay Annual Source Segregated Recyclates Collection Service 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2027	Total Charge (£)	Charity Charge (£)
240 litre bin, fortnightly collection with each stream collected every four weeks (26 collections)	£165.10	£132.60
140 litre bin, fortnightly collection with each stream collected every four weeks (26 collections)	£150.80	£132.60

Seasonal services for waste and source segregated recycling, collected fortnightly only, can be requested on Shapinsay at the same rates as on the mainland.

We do currently provide some trade waste bin services on Westray, Hoy and Flotta. If your business is based on Westray, Hoy or Flotta and you would like to change to a bin collection service, please be in touch with us at the above noted details to arrange.

For all other non-linked isles, we provide a beige bag collection service for waste.

For sites who have a beige bag service, rather than a wheeled bin service, a minimum order requirement of 50 beige bags per annum has been introduced. There is an exception for businesses open on a seasonal basis only, who are subject to a minimum order of 25 bags per annum.

Non-Linked Isles Trade Waste Collection Service	Total Charge (£)	Charity Charge (£)
Beige Bags (cost per bag) – for businesses on non-linked isles	£2.30	£1.20