



# LITTER MANAGEMENT

## Stormwater Management Information Sheet 1.0



### What To Do With Paper, Bottles, Packaging...

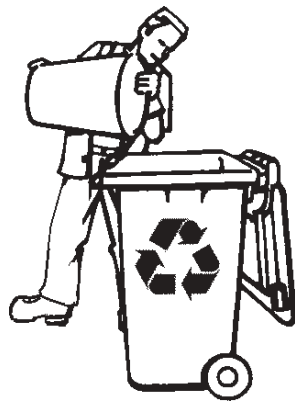


**DO NOT** sweep litter into gutters

Sweep up litter from carpark, yards and public access areas. Do not sweep litter or anything else into gutters or drains where it gets into local waterways and eventually ends up in the bay. Recycle or dispose of the swept rubbish in your waste bins.

Keep the footpath, gutter and outside areas near your business free of litter.

use bins  
to recycle



Take pride in your business and its contribution to the local community by collecting up waste left on the footpath or in the gutter and disposing of it appropriately. Contact Kingston Council on 1300 653 356 if there is persistent rubbish dumping in your area.

Have enough recycling and disposal bins for staff and customers to use. Make sure open bins are not allowed to overflow and are kept away from outside doors where the wind may blow litter into the stormwater system.

**PLEASE  
RECYCLE**



Fix notices or signs to the doors or walls of all garbage storage areas to explain recycling, handling and cleaning procedures for staff. Ask your staff to recycle their soft drink bottles, cans, milk cartons etc – if not at work, then at home.

### Cigarettes



provide a cigarette butt container

Provide containers for cigarette butts in areas used by smokers (staff and visitors). Cigarette butts are a major cause of pollution – they are too small to be captured in most litter traps in the stormwater drains, take many years to break down in the environment and contain a number of harmful chemicals. Regularly empty butt containers into your waste bins.

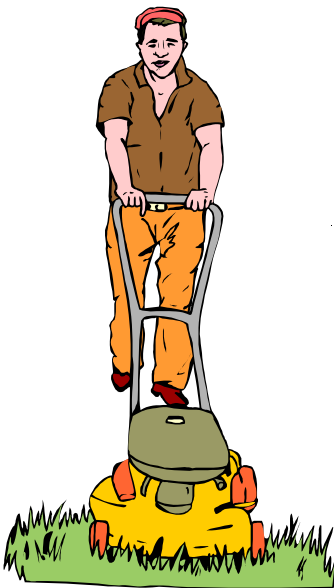
# Litter From Gardens And Outdoor Areas



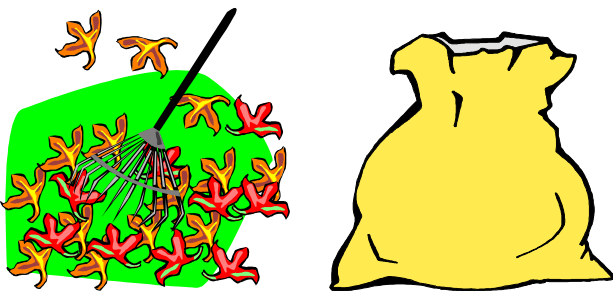
**DO NOT sweep grass clippings into gutters**

Leaves, grass clippings, soil and stones entering the stormwater system can:

- block drains and cause flooding,
- smother creek bottoms cutting out sunlight and oxygen to plants and bottom dwelling animals,
- reduce oxygen available to fish and plants, when leaves and grass clippings rot down.
- end up in the bay.



If you have someone cut your grass on a regular basis, make sure they don't blow the clippings into the stormwater system – have them bag the clippings and any leaf litter and either compost them or send them to landfill.



**Put leaves and grass clippings into bags or compost**