

HELP STOP FLY TIPPING

A guide for the public



**#DontDump
inDoverDistrict**

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How householders can help

Before you pay for your waste to be taken away, check your waste will be disposed of in the right way:

- Recycle your waste using household waste and recycling centres (HW&RCs)
- Arrange a council bulky waste collection
- Use a waste company registered with the Environment Agency
- Ask to see their Waste Carriers Licence
- Ask for paperwork and keep this safe

Find or check a registered waste carrier:

www.environment.data.gov.uk/public-register/view/search-waste-carriers-brokers

Call: 03708 506 506



How landowners can help

Where waste is deposited on private land it becomes the landowners' responsibility to remove and dispose of the waste lawfully. To deter fly tippers from dumping waste on your land:

- Make sure access is secure when land is not in use. Lock gates where applicable
- Improve visibility so that fly tippers are not hidden from view
- Consider installing CCTV cameras where practical
- Clear dumped waste quickly to discourage other fly tippers from dumping further waste on your land

How businesses can help

Business/commercial/trade waste must be disposed of correctly:

- Sign up to a commercial waste contract
- If you use a private waste company, you must check they are a registered waste carrier
- If you dispose of waste yourself you must hold a Waste Carriers Licence with the Environment Agency
- You must complete Waste Transfer Notes for waste produced by your business. You must keep these for two years
- Failure to produce Waste Transfer Notes when asked by the Council or the Environment Agency is an offence

Everyone is responsible for their rubbish and to make sure it is disposed of properly.

This is known as **Duty of Care**.

Fly tipping occurs when people dump waste, often household items, rather than dispose of the waste correctly. If waste is fly tipped and is traced back to the owner, you could face prosecution and an unlimited fine, even if you did not fly tip the waste yourself.

What should I do if I see someone fly tipping?

- **Safety first!** – Do not confront fly tippers.
- Do not look for clues in the waste yourself as there may be harmful items hidden in it.
- Keep any notes you made at the time of registration numbers, descriptions of people involved, what was seen etc. Even if the notes are only scribbled down they can still be very valuable as evidence.
- Please report the incident as soon as possible.

How to report an incident of fly tipping

You can report incidents of fly tipping to Dover District Council by:

Visiting our website:

www.dover.gov.uk/flytipping

Telephoning: **01304 872289**

Emailing: **envcrime@dover.gov.uk**

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