

Aotea Great Barrier Island waste services

Let's work together – every little bit helps

The more effort people put into reducing waste to stop stuff going to landfill, the better it will be for Aotea Great Barrier Island. Sorting and separating our waste is not only the right thing to do, it's the smart thing to do.

By thinking about how to minimise the amount of waste brought to the island and how best to dispose of the things we no longer need, we'll reach our goal of zero waste to landfill by 2040.

Refuse / Reduce

Think about what you're buying. Notice how things are packaged. Say no to overpackaged items, especially those that can't be reused or recycled. Choose products with minimal packaging so you can reduce the amount of waste coming on to the island.

Reuse

Give things a second lease of life by reusing and repurposing unwanted materials through the new Aotea Community Recycling Centre. Drop items off – your unwanted items could be someone else's treasure. Buy reusable, second-hand items from the Community Recycling Centre shop. If you don't home compost or have a worm farm or bokashi bin, you can take your organic waste to the community compost bins at Medlands or drop unwanted green waste off at the new Aotea Community Recycling Centre.

Recycle

To recycle right, check out makethemostofwaste.co.nz

Weekly Roadside Rubbish Collection

60-litre plastic rubbish bag or 120-litre rubbish wheelie bin

Once you've reduced, reused, and recycled all you can, what's left goes in your rubbish bag or bin. Put your general rubbish into your official Auckland Council orange plastic rubbish bag or roadside wheelie bin.

What's not accepted:

- ✗ Recyclable items
- ✗ Garden waste and grass clippings
- ✗ Concrete and bricks
- ✗ Solvents and paints
- ✗ Timber
- ✗ Rocks, Clays, Soil, Tiles and Pet Litter
- ✗ Petrol, Oil and Gas Bottles
- ✗ Hot Ashes

Weekly Roadside Recycling Collection

2 x 60-litre recycling crates

Sort your plastic, glass, aluminium and tins into your yellow recycling crates. They're collected every week.

What's accepted:

- ✓ Plastic bottles (lids removed) and containers from your kitchen, bathroom and laundry
- ✓ Glass bottles and jars (lids removed)
- ✓ Aluminium cans and empty aerosols
- ✓ Steel and tin cans



What's not accepted:

- ✗ Paper and cardboard
- ✗ Plastic bags
- ✗ Food and garden waste
- ✗ Chemicals and hazardous waste
- ✗ Polystyrene takeaway containers and meat trays
- ✗ Batteries, especially Lithium batteries
- ✗ Nappies and sanitary products
- ✗ Clothing, shoes and textiles
- ✗ Window glass, mirror glass and light bulbs
- ✗ Cookware, Pyrex and drinking glasses
- ✗ Building waste
- ✗ Medical waste



Some helpful recycling tips

- Rinse all containers.
- Remove all lids on all bottles and containers and place the lids in your rubbish bag or wheelie bin.
- Containers should be no larger than 4 litres.
- Your crates should not be overflowing with recycling. If you have too much recycling for your bin, you can always take it to the Claris Landfill or hold onto it for the following week.

Cardboard and paper collection

There is a weekly roadside cardboard and paper collection. Cardboard and paper should be securely bundled/bagged and placed next to your rubbish bag/bin and recycling crate and placed out on the roadside or at the collection point by 8am on your collection day.

Claris Landfill

Claris Landfill is the only landfill on Aotea Great Barrier Island. To give everyone an incentive to do their best to upcycle, recycle, and keep waste out of landfill, new gate fees have been introduced to dispose of rubbish.

Visit [aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/transferstations](https://www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/transferstations) to find out more about the disposal fees.



Opening hours

Monday, Wednesday, Friday	9am to 4pm
Saturdays	10am to 3pm
Sundays and Public Holidays	Closed

Summer holiday hours

(third Monday of December to first Saturday in February).

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Aotea Community Recycling Centre (CRC)

You can drop off unwanted items and materials for reuse and recycling at the CRC. The aim is to reduce waste to landfill by reusing, re-purposing and recycling as much as possible. There is a shop on site, that has usable household and building materials for sale. On Aotea, the CRC is responsible for all the recycling on the island.

The CRC is located at Claris Landfill, 70 Gray Road.

Summer Services

A 'visitor-pays' summer service runs over the peak summer holiday period in December and January. An on-island pop up drop-off point for visitors and boaties is available at Port Fitzroy wharf. Fees will apply that will incentivise boaties to sort and separate their waste.

Visitors can pay with cash or eftpos for the on-island disposal costs. The Claris landfill and new Aotea Community Recycling Centre will be open from Monday to Friday 9am to 4pm and on Saturdays from 10am to 3pm during the peak holiday period.

The Claris Landfill and CRC is closed on Sundays and Public Holidays.

Inorganic Collection

To keep inorganic items out of landfill, consider donating or selling your items before booking an inorganic collection.

A new inorganic collection service will start in 2020. It will be easier and more convenient. You will be able to pre-book your collection online or by calling the Service Centre. Your items will be collected from within your property, rather than placing unwanted items on the roadside. This service is funded through a targeted rate for all properties that pay a waste charge. There will be no additional charge for this rates-funded service.

If you do not pay a waste charge, private collectors are permitted to offer collections and you can arrange a private waste collection service, at your cost.

We're working towards a zero waste future

Together, the Aotea community can rethink rubbish and make the most of the resources by keeping waste out of the landfill. Thank you for doing your bit.

Waste drop-off points closed

From 1 July 2019, the waste drop-off points at Port Fitzroy, Whangaparapara, Tryphena/Shoal Bay, and outside the Claris Landfill will close. Instead, use the Monday roadside collection and put your rubbish out in your official rubbish bag or bin, or drop your waste off at the Claris Landfill or Aotea Community Recycling Centre during opening hours.

Contact numbers

Aotea Great Barrier Service Centre: 09 429 0258

Auckland Council: 09 301 0101

For more information, visit makethemostofwaste.co.nz