

## Recycling in the Alice Springs Town Council area

The benefits of recycling are very well know and are standard practice in numerous towns around the world.

One of the biggest factors limiting recycling in Alice Springs is the tyranny of distance, compounded by fluctuating world commodity prices. The Alice Springs Town Council has been awarded a NT Government grant to establish a glass recycling facility in Alice Springs. Glass from Alice Springs will be crushed and recycled locally from this facility.

The Alice Springs Town Council is moving forward in its recycling efforts. It has recently introduced its own container deposit scheme, whereby residents can exchange their drinking bottles (aluminium and glass) for a 5c deposit refund per drinking can/bottle. This scheme will assist reduction litter in Alice Springs and have some environmental benefits.

In 2011 the Carbon Production Reduction Scheme (CPRS) will be implemented by the Australian Government and a greenhouse gas emission levy will be applicable to all landfills. Many Alice Springs residents are already reducing the amount of waste going to the landfill by composting therefore reducing the amount of greenhouse gasses emitted by the Alice Springs landfill. By reducing the amount of organic waste to the landfill residents will be reducing the greenhouse gas emission contribution.

The waste and recycling directory below provides information on recycling for the Municipality of Alice Springs. Using any of these services will reduce the amount of waste going to landfill. Please contact services and suppliers for fees and expenses. Details of Council fees are available at [http://www.alicesprings.nt.gov.au/astc\\_site/your\\_council/payments/fees\\_and\\_charges](http://www.alicesprings.nt.gov.au/astc_site/your_council/payments/fees_and_charges).

Table1: Waste and Recycling Directory

Waste and Recycling Directory	Recycling drop off point
<b>Waste type</b>	
Car batteries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alice Springs Landfill, Commonage Road.</li> </ul>
Concrete and building material	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alice Springs Landfill, Commonage Road.</li> </ul>
Glass bottles, aluminum can and steel food cans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Russ Driver &amp; Co., 58 Sargent St, Northside, Ph: 8952 1087</li> </ul>
Container deposit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 5 cent per drinking container (aluminum, glass). A maximum of 500 containers per day per residents. Only for Alice Springs residents. Depot at Territory Metals, 106 Smith St, Ph 8952 8333.</li> </ul>
Cardboards, office paper and newspaper	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cleanaway, 6 Wilkinson St, Ph 8952 1336               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ No high glossy paper</li> <li>○ No waxy cardboard</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Chemical Drums	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alice Springs Landfill, Commonage Road through the Drum Muster Program</li> </ul>
Compost and food scraps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Buy at a compost bin or make your own: <a href="http://recyclingnearyou.com.au/compost/AlicespringNT">http://recyclingnearyou.com.au/compost/AlicespringNT</a></li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chickens: Please contact NT Department of Health in regards regulation, Ph 8955-6118</li> <li>• Worm farms available from local hardware stores and nurseries</li> <li>• Worms available from Alice Springs Nursery, Ph 8952 5055</li> </ul>
Computers and Electronic waste	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alice Springs Landfill, Commonage Road.</li> </ul>
Gas cylinders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alice Springs Landfill, Commonage Road.</li> </ul>
Green Waste	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alice Springs Landfill, Commonage Road.</li> </ul>
Hazardous Waste	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alice Springs Landfill, Commonage Road</li> <li>• Only for residents usage with quantities less than 1 liter</li> </ul>
Mobile phones	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alice Springs Town Council, Civic Building and Library.</li> <li>• Cartridge world (52 Elder St),</li> <li>• Telstra Shop Yeperenye Center,</li> <li>• XLcom (54 Elder St) all the above is linked to the Mobile Muster Program</li> </ul>
Oil Motor & cooking	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alice Springs Landfill, Commonage Road. Only residential users less than 5 liters.</li> <li>• Grease Monkeys Cleaning &amp; Recycling, George Street, Ph 0418 89 7772</li> </ul>
Old clothing, toys and books	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Charitable organizations such as St Vincent de Paul, (38 Railway Tce),</li> <li>• Salvation Army (88 Hartley Tce) or</li> <li>• Uniting Church (Todd St Mall)</li> </ul>
Plastic bags	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Woolworths, Yeperenye Center, Hartley St. Ph: 08 8953 0988</li> <li>• Coles Supermarket, Bath St. Ph: 8952 5166</li> </ul>
Printer cartridges	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cartridge World (52 Elders St),</li> <li>• Harvey Norman (Colston St),</li> <li>• Australia Post (Hartley St),</li> <li>• Office National (Elder St) and</li> <li>• Corporate Express (6 Whittaker St)</li> </ul>
Scrap Metal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alice Springs Landfill, Commonage Road.</li> <li>• Alice Springs Metal Recyclers 35 Ghan Rd, 89533151</li> <li>• Territory Metals, ph 04 1483 4726.</li> </ul>
Skip bins	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alice Waste Disposals, 33 Cameron St, Ph 89530032</li> <li>• Cleanaway, 6 Wilkinson St, Ph 8952 1336</li> </ul>
Tyres	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alice Springs Landfill, Commonage Road.</li> <li>• Alice Waste Disposals, 33 Cameron St, Ph 8953 0032</li> </ul>
Wine corks and aluminum cans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Girl Guides association, 1 Stuart Tce.</li> <li>• Ph 8952 1229</li> </ul>
<p>* Please note if your business or organization need to be added to the Directory please phone Alice Springs Town Council at 08 89500 500.</p>	