

Waste disposal at The Docs
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At the Docs we store and dispose of waste both clinical and non clinical dependent on its type

Recycling	Collected monthly	By Emerge
Normal waste	Collection daily	By Mcr Council
Clinical waste	Collected weekly	By Cannon
Confidential paper waste	Collected monthly	By STE WASTE

Recycling: Collected by Emerge who park at the front of the building and collect our daily waste. Compromising of disposable products that are recyclable. On the admin floor we have 3 x 30 ltr bins for Plastics, papers, cans and tins. Emerge provide us with recyclable bags to store this waste when the bins are full. We currently store this in a room within the basement and envisage 2 weekly collections when building work commences. Due to the expansion and growth of the staff team we estimate that we will change to weekly collection of initially 5 bags for this we will request 2 more bins 30 ltr bins (situated on the admin floor and therefore need no additional storage space for this waste.

Normal waste: Non-recyclable waste. Each room in the building (bar the basement) has a bin to collect non clinical non-recyclable waste. These bins are emptied by our cleaning team daily. The bin liners (1 or 2 50ltr bin bags) are then collected from the street, daily by the council street cleaning team. As there will be more rooms that present more waste but over all this should impact recycling more we envisage

Clinical waste: Collected by Initial (now part of rentakil) on a weekly basis who attend in a van and park at the front of the building. Each clinical room and the patient toilet contain 1 x 50 litre Each clinical room contains 1 standard yellow sharps bin. Each consulting room contains 1 x 30 litre standard grey for soft clinical waste. Initial collect from the practice the grey bins every Thursday and we inform Initial of how many sharps bins they are collecting each week on the same visit. they provide replacement fresh bins. When the clinical waste bins are full. We store the bins in a locked room in the basement and replace with one of our spare grey bins. A designated staff member in PPE will remove full bins and place in to storage if needed. Initial are able to increase the frequency of their disposal service when we expand. Therefore we would move to every 2 days. This may change when we run campaigns such as Flu and we can keep spare 4 x 30 litres and 3 x 50 litre empty to replace any full bins until pick up date. We would continue to store these empty bins in the basement storage room. This can be adapted as and when is needed to ensure we remain safe and within infection control standards.

Confidential Paper waste: We us STE Waste who provide us with 4 consoles (1 junior console 25kilos and 3 consoles 40kilos), stored in Reception, managers Office, Admin area and basement. They attend the practice monthly and park at the front of the building. Take out the sack from each console and complete shredding in their vehicle before providing me with a shredding

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certificate. These bins are not at capacity on monthly collection so no change envisaged. Basement bin will move on to the admin floor (4).

