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CITY ESCHENBACH

including NETZABERG





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Recycling on earth starts at home

Don't let your grandchildren inherit our mistakes!



Be environmentally conscientious! One person can do a lot...... a lot people can do <u>even more!</u>

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Reuse - Reduce - Recycle !

Be a part of the solution and not a part of the problem !

S.O.R.T

(Separate Or Recycle Trash)

You can make a ton of difference

Useful Telephone Numbers

SORT Program Grafenwoehr: DSN 475-6664 or Civilian 09641-83-6664

SORT Program Vilseck DSN 476-2600 or Civilian 09662-83-2600

Environmental Office Grafenwoehr: DSN 475-7209 or Civilian 09662-83-7209 Vilseck: DSN 476-2932 or Civilian 09662-83-2932

> *DPW Self Help Store Grafenwoehr:* DSN 475-6300 or Civilian 09641-83-6300

DPW Customer Service Desk Grafenwoehr: DSN 475-6324 or Civilian 09641-83-6324

MWR Auto Craft Shop Grafenwoehr: DSN 475-6239 or Civilian 09641-83-6239

AAFES Car Care Center Grafenwoehr: DSN 475-7359 or Civilian 09641-533

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<u>Dear Resident of Eschenbach GRHP,</u> <u>Leased Housing Area or Private Rental</u>

It is everyone's responsibility to minimize the pollution of our environment. We can do this by avoiding, reducing, separating and recycling of waste.

This pamphlet describes the recycling procedures off post in the area of the City Eschenbach to include Netzaberg, Apfelbach and the village Thomasreuth.

It covers the following areas:

- Why Recycle?
- Reducing Waste
- What and How to Separate
- Where to Dispose

Pick-Up Schedules of refuse / recyclable material are available at Housing Office, the DPW Sort Office at bldg. # 329 and the DPW Self Help Store at bldg. # 394.

It is against German law to bring trash on post.

The only two exceptions are household type hazardous waste and bulk trash items (see pages 18 & 19).

For further information, questions, concerns, suggestions or comments please contact the SORT-Coordinator at USAG Grafenwoehr, DPW, O & M Division, Utilities Branch Grafenwoehr at DSN 475-6664 or Civilian 09641-83-6664.

TELL US WHAT YOU THINK

GOOD OR BAD

Containers at the Sanitary Landfill for:

- <u>Scrap Metal</u>: All kind of metal and metal parts, including washers, dryers, stoves, tent frames and poles, strollers, ironing boards, rims, tools, bicycles, barbecue grills, metal furniture, etc. *Please, no material that is contaminated with oil or grease and no automotive waste. Please no propane or butane gas containers and no fire extinguishers* (->hazardous waste!).
- <u>Tires:</u> Separate containers for tires on rims and without rims.

If possible, please dismantle your tires and place the rims in the container for scrap metal.

- <u>Refrigerators and Freezers</u> (hazardous waste): If possible, please remove door(s) and all plastic and metal inserts, shelves, racks, etc. and place them in the appropriate container. Please handle carefully! Do not throw!
- <u>Electric Waste and Electronic Equipment</u>: Examples are: Appliances, cooling devices, information and telecommunications devices including entertainment equipment (TV's, video and stereo equipment, radios, cassette or CD players, computers, printers, microwaves, toaster, coffee machines, shaver, Cellular Phone etc.) Please handle screens carefully! Do not throw!
- <u>Scrap Wood</u>: All kinds of scrap wood and wooden furniture, wood chips, pressed wood, plywood, sawdust, etc. Please dismantle furniture and remove metal and plastic parts if possible.
- <u>Upholstered Furniture</u>: This container is for collection of sofas, mattresses, carpets, rugs, large hard plastic items, large products that consist of a mix of materials and cannot be dismantled with reasonable effort, etc. Please no material that falls under the categories above.
- <u>Used Clothing and Home Textiles</u>: Donations to the Red Cross, please put items in closed (tied) bags. Matching pairs of shoes should be tied together.

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Bulky Trash:-> 3 options

Bulky waste are items that are too large or too heavy to fit into your normal refuse containers and cannot be dismantled, torn or broken down to make them fit. Examples are: Furniture, mattresses, carpets, rugs, washers, dryers, radios, TVs, ovens, stoves, microwaves, bicycles, strollers, etc.

Option 1:



The county will perform <u>free</u> of charge collections biannually in spring and fall. The exact dates are indicated in the Pick-up schedule.

Option 2:



You can bring bulky items to the Waste Transfer Station ("Müllumladestation") in Weiden. The fees must be paid directly by you. Depending on the amount the fee can range from € 5 per trunk load to € 104 per ton. The opening hours are Mon-Fri from 08:00-12:00 and 12:30-16:00. For directions and detailed information call the the SORT-Coordinator at 475-6664.

Option 3: You can also take your bulk trash to the Sanitary Landfill in Grafenwoehr.

Location: On the tank trail towards Vilseck, across Range 118.

Opening hours: Monday thru Friday from 08:00 – 12:00 and from 12:30 – 15:30

 $\ensuremath{\textit{Closed}}$: Wed. afternoon, Saturdays, Sundays and German holidays

Operating personnel is there to answer questions if you are not sure where to put your items.

Why Recycle?

Recycling saves our environment

Recycling saves energy, saves trees, saves landfill space, reduces our oil demand and reduces pollution.

- A 3-foot stack of recycled paper saves one tree. Every ton of recycled paper saves 17 trees.
- Producing paper from recycled paper takes about 65 % less energy and 61 % less water than making paper from trees.
- One recycled bottle saves enough energy to run a 100-watt light bulb for four hours.
- Making aluminum products from recycled aluminum creates 95 % less pollution and uses 90 % less energy than making the same product from raw material.

Recycling saves community dollars

The government pays the waste disposal fees for residents in GRHP or leased housing. In private rental quarters the waste fee is either included in the monthly rent or has to be paid by the resident.

Refuse goes to expensive incineration. Therefore the German communities generally calculate the waste disposal fees by the capacity of the refuse containers. Disposal of recyclable material placed properly in appropriate recycling containers is free of charge.

More or larger refuse containers would mean higher cost for us. Let's save that money! Everybody can contribute!

Law in Germany requires recycling

Waste disposal falls under the jurisdiction of the German communities. All waste from private households must be left to the public waste disposal system.

You are subject to German recycling laws and regulations just like your German neighbors.

Reducing Waste

The best thing to do for our environment is to avoid trash. Where this is not possible, try to reduce it.

Here are some hints:

- Plan your shopping
- Avoid products with excessive packing
- Buy unpacked goods
- Buy fresh fruits and vegetables instead of deep frozen or canned goods - they have more vitamins too
- Individually wrapped servings do not make good ecological sense - they cost more too
- Avoid laminated material (like plastic coated cardboard or paper) - it is expensive to recycle
- Buy your beverages in reusable bottles (deposit!) they are being reused up to 60 times
- Look for natural products they are a lot easier to recycle
- Use a shopping basket or cloth bags instead of plastic bags

Give away instead of throw away!

Give no longer needed stuff that is still useable to others, to the Thrift Shop or to charity. For example, good used clothing including shoes is wanted by the Red Cross for people in need.

Closing the loop!

Look for items with packaging made from recycled materials. Buy products fully or partially made from recycled materials. Set the trend to make recycling succeed.

Household Hazardous Waste

->DPW Self Help Store

Household type hazardous waste includes: cleaners, acids, bases, solvents, aerosols, paint, thinners, strippers, antifreeze, oil, car batteries, dry cell batteries, fluorescent light bulbs, propane or butane gas containers, fire extinguishers, etc.



Note: Car batteries, dry cell batteries and waste oil

should primarily be disposed of at the shops where they are sold. Stores on the German economy that sell these items are required by law to take back used batteries and waste oil at no extra cost for the consumer.

Dry cell battery collection containers can also be found at numerous locations **on post** (Recycling Centers, PX, Commissary, barracks, other common buildings & places, etc).

The DPW Self Help Store is located in building # 394. <u>Opening hours</u>: Mon, Tue, Wed and Fri fr. 09:00 - 15:45 Thu fr. 10:00 - 17:00 Saturday from 08:00 - 14:00

Automotive Waste -> different options

Car parts, tires, batteries, waste oil, engines and engine parts should primarily be turned in at garages, gas-stations and stores where you buy your replacements. Tires normally cost a small disposal fee. Batteries cost about € 8 deposit if you do not return a used battery when buying a new one. Sellers are required by German law to take back waste oil at no extra cost for the consumer.

Car parts, engines, engine parts, also batteries and waste oil can be disposed of at the Grafenwoehr Auto Craft Shop.

Yard/Green Waste

-> In the City of Eschenbach use the "Städtische Bauhof"

(Birschlingweg 17 - see center map "Eschenbach") - provided from spring to late autumn



Opening nours.		
Mon & Tue:	0700-1700	
Wed & Thu:	0700-1600	
Fri:	0700-1700	
Sat:	0700-1500	

Closed on German holidays

-> At the Netzaberg use the "Garden Container" (located at E-1, Henry-Kissinger-Str. - see center map "Netzaberg") - provided from spring to late autumn



DO NOT MISUSE THIS CONTAINER!!

Please do not put in plastic bags Do not put in any other trash

What will be accepted? Grass Clippings Leaves Branches Flowers, Plants Weeds, Soil

What won't be accepted? Plastic bags Bottles Cans and all other inorganic waste

Used clothing -> Altkleider (look for containers



with this sticker and label "Altkleider"). For location of RED-CROSS CONTAINERS see

maps on center page.

The Red Cross and other charity organizations collect used clothing and other textiles, including still good shoes. Please put items in closed (tied) bags. Matching pairs of shoes should be tied together.

Please do not dump these items into the garbage

Your donation will help people in need!

Do not bring your off-post trash on post! It is against German law to dispose trash outside the county or city you live in and it would also violate command policies. The only two exceptions to this rule are: household hazardous waste and bulky trash (items that are too large to fit in your normal trash bins).

No hazardous waste in recycling or refuse containers! Household type hazardous waste must be brought to the DPW Self Help Store at building # 394. The county also performs collections twice a year- see Pick-Up Schedule for dates.

No recyclable materials and electronic waste and appliances in refuse containers! The county's garbage men may leave your containers not emptied if they find recyclable material or electronic waste and appliances in the refuse container.

Keep the material in the Recycling Containers pure! Put only the appropriate material in the individual recycling **container!** If the container is contaminated with refuse or contains other recyclable material that does not belong in there.

the County's contractor will refuse service until the deficiencies are corrected.

Do not put anything on the ground!

The County's contractor is not required to pick up material outside of containers. By German law trash on the ground may under certain circumstances be considered "illegal disposal". If anyone is identified while illegally dumping, the County of Neustadt will issue a 200 € fine.

Keep container lids closed! It sure looks nicer, keeps insects away and prevents animals from going through your trash and littering the area.

Watch pick-up days! The county collects refuse, Yellow Bag from the curbside on a routine schedule. Pick-Up Schedules will be provided to you. Place your refuse containers at the curbside before 06:00 on pick-up days. Use this service always, even if your container is only half full or less (It will help to avoid overflow until the next pick-up).

Container Locations:

Containers for refuse (black or gray) are either assigned to individual homes (most housing units) or centrally placed for a building or group of buildings.

Igloo type containers for metal cans ("Dosen"), glass ("Glas"), paper/cardboard (Altpapier/Kartonage) and used textiles can be found at various recycling points in your neighborhood. See the map in the center of this booklet for exact locations.

Please do not use the recycling points after 19:00 or on Sundays/German holidays.

Yard Waste / Green Waste (Grünabfälle) has to be brought to your German community's recycling yard. This facility is called "Städtische Bauhof". Details and opening hours are on page 17.

The Netzaberg has its own Garden Container. Location can be found on the map on the center page.

What goes where?

Refuse (Restmüll) -> "black or silver gray containers" or "Prepaid

refuse bags" -> <u>Curbside Pick-up</u> (The county will pick up refuse every other week on a routine schedule)



It includes sweepings, full vacuum cleaner bags, cigarette butts, ash, soot, used napkins and paper towels, carbon paper, rubber, dirty paper, used wall paper, diapers, food waste, window and mirror glass, china, porcelain, stoneware, crystal, pet litter, etc. *Please <u>DO NOT</u> put recyclable material (like paper, cardboard, glass or metals) and electronic waste and appliances into the refuse container. Please NO hazardous waste/material! Please DO NOT put hot charcoal or hot ash!*



If for some reason you should have more refuse than it fits into your refuse bin you can buy additional refuse bags (Restmüllsacke) at the City hall in Eschenbach, Room 3. One bag = 2.60 Euro (includes the service and disposal fee)!

Only these bags will be taken by the contractor!!

<u>Glass</u>-> igloos at Recycling Point (separated by color)



Only empty bottles and jars.

Please separate by colors (Clear, brown and green). Look for the labeling on containers. Clear = "Weissglas", brown = "Braunglas" and green = "Grünglas".

Clear glass and brown glass must be kept absolutely pure. Other colors can be put in the containers for green glass.

Do not put glass in front of the container

Please remove lids.

Labels must not be removed. Please do not put in with bags. Please do not put in window glass, windshields, mirrors, china, porcelain or crystal (=>put in refuse). Also, no light bulbs (fluorescent light bulbs and energy efficient lamps are hazardous waste because of their neon contents, regular light bulbs are refuse).

<u>Metal Cans</u> -> Container at Recycling Points

(check for this container labeled "Dosen")



<u>Empty metal cans</u> of all kind including aluminum, like soda cans, food cans, <u>completely empty spray cans</u> from deodorant, hairspray, shaving foam, metal lids from jars and bottles.

<u>Note:</u>

DO NOT throw plastic bags in the metal container. They belong into the Yellow Bag!

Cans and lids should be rinsed to keep insects away. Labels don't have to be removed.



The Yellow Bag (Plastics) -> curbside pick-up

for <u>packing material</u> consisting of plastic + plastic or wax coated material, i.e.....



- shopping bags, plastic wrapping, plastic bottles or containers, cups from yogurt or margarine, foam used as packaging material including Styrofoam, drink, milk or water cartons.
- A string to tie the bag is attached to each bag.
- Please ensure that "Yellow Bag" items are empty and <u>rinsed</u> to get rid of food residues. This will reduce odors as you fill up the bag.
- Plastic "Yellow Bag" holders for your home can be picked- up at the Self Help Store, DSN 475-6300.
- To order new Yellow Bags just put a sticker that is good visible on your last bag saying "Benötige wieder neue Säcke"

If the County's contractor marked your Yellow Bag with a red sticker you need to resort the bag.

Paper & Cardboard -> 2 options

<u>**Must be clean!</u>** It includes any <u>PAPER</u> and <u>CARDBOARD</u> i.e. newspapers, catalogues, writing paper, books, notepads, shopping bags, envelopes, clean wrapping paper etc. and beverage cartons. Staples, plastic address windows on envelopes and cardboard hard covers from books must not be removed.</u>

Option 1: Paper/Cardboard Container -> at Recycling Point

For location of PAPER/CARDBOARD CONTAINER see maps on center page.



Please DO NOT put in dirty paper of any kind, carbon paper, diapers, wallpaper or wax coated or plastic coated paper products. Please do not put in plastic bags

Cardboard must be flattened and inserted into the Paper/Cardboard Container.

DO NOT PUT ANY PAPER/CARDBOARD OR ANY OTHER TRASH ON THE GROUND

The containers at the Recycling Points are maintained by the City Eschenbach and controlled by the County of Neustadt/WN.

If anyone is identified while illegally Dumping, the County of Neustadt will issue a 200 € fine.

Option 2: Individual Blue Paper Bin - > curbside pick-up

You can request your own individual 240 ltr. "Blue Bin" along with monthly service for paper/cardboard from one of the following suppliers (service includes bin free of cost):

- Bergler, Tel: 09605/92020, www.die-blaue-tonne.de

- Kunzendorf, Tel: 096021798
- Kraus, Tel: 09681/92050, www.die-papiertonne.de



EXEPTION TO THE POLICY:

ONLY with Option 2 (Individual Blue Paper Bin) you are able to put Paper/Cardboard on the ground, like if the quantity of your bin is not sufficient. Just collect your other paper/cardboard in a larger cardboard box and put it next to your paper bin on the pick-up day. The supplier of the Blue Bin will take it as long as the material is clean and not mixed with trash!



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