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## ESWE buses will run more often frequently

The ESWE bus services will go back to the Monday-to-Friday Ferienfahrplan (school break) schedule on weekdays, starting Monday, 20 April.

This is based on increasing passenger numbers in the week after Easter and the increased demand for public transportation. However, the only exception is line 9: Until 8.30 a.m. it operates on the Monday-Friday schedule and after 8.30 a.m. on the Saturday schedule.

On Saturdays and Sundays, buses operate on the Saturday and Sunday schedules. All available stretch-buses will continue to be used. That way, the maximum possible space between passengers can be provided.

Night buses will remain restricted until further notice. This means that the Nightliners depart from the city center every day at 0.30 a.m.; the night ring line N13 runs as scheduled. Nightliner rides at 2 a.m. and 3.30 a.m. from downtown are no longer available.

The Ferienfahrplan (school break schedules) are published in the pocket timetable, at the bus stops, on the website of ESWE Verkehr and stored in the RMV app. For more information call (0611) 45022450.

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## New rules for recycling yards (Wertstoffhöfe) and bulk waste (Sperrmüll)

The waste disposal companies of the state capital Wiesbaden (ELW) still urge all Wiesbaden residents: Only those who have recyclable materials that cannot wait to be disposed of should use the recycling yard in Nordenstadt or the Kleinannahmestelle (small collection point).

An "emergency" is therefore defined as: when you move and you simply can't take some things with you; when you get new furniture and really do not know where to put the old ones; if you have to vacate an apartment because someone has died; if you are in the middle of a renovation and have no place to store things. It's not an emergency when you have just had time to clean up your house. Green cuttings are also not an emergency, you can store them in the garden and leave them there for later.

Recycling yards and the small collection point will gradually return to normal operation in the beginning of June, as part of the basic requirements announced by the federal and state governments this week.

Only for citizens of Wiesbaden the following applies from 20/21 April to 3 May:

 From next week on, recyclables and waste can be taken to the "Wertstoffhof Nordenstadt" (recycling yard at Nordenstadt) and to the small collection point at the landfill. Please follow the current local rules.

- From Monday, 20 April, on, the special waste collection (Sonderabfallkleinannahme) at the landfill will be reopened.
- Opening hours are extended by one and a half hours during the week.
- The small pick-up point (Kleinannahmestelle) and the special waste collection (Sonderabfallkleinannahme) are open Monday to Friday from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- The Wertstoffhof Nordenstadt is open Tuesday to Friday from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Saturdays from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- The purchase of residual waste bags and green waste paper bags is possible again.
- Access to the Wertstoffhof Nordenstadt is only possible via the roundabout Borsigstraße/Oberfeld please note the signs.

## The following applies from May 4 to 30 May:

- Opening of the three recycling yards (Nordenstadt, Dotzheim and Bierstadt) as well as small collection point and special waste small acceptance again with normal operation hours.
- The small pick-up point and the special waste collection are open Monday to Friday from 7 a.m. to 3.30 p.m. and on Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- The recycling yards are open Tuesday to Friday from 8.30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Saturdays from 8.30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

## Please note:

Until the end of May, special rules will continue to apply to the recycling yards:

- Delivery exclusively by car -car registration plate or identity card will be checked at the entrance
- No delivery by van or trailer
- No delivery on foot or by motorbike, bicycle, etc.
- Only five cars are allowed on the yard at once
- Customer contact will be kept as low as possible (only when paying for waste or purchasing bags)
- Until the end of May, commercial enterprises may only transport recyclable materials and waste to the small collection point at the landfill. Furthermore, it will be checked whether the supplier is entitled (commercial certificate).

The ELW hope that this approach will prove its worth and that it will be possible to offer the service without or with few restrictions from the beginning of June on for both commercial enterprises and citizens of Wiesbaden.

Regarding bulky waste, the urgent request still applies to all Wiesbaden residents: Only those who need a bulky waste appointment in the next few days – i.e. in an emergency – should call the service center. This is particularly important around the turn of the month, when a higher number of citizens are about to move. As already communicated, the allocation of bulky waste dates serves to have sufficient drivers for the residual and bio-waste tours. After evaluating the current staff situation, it is possible to allocate bulky waste dates exclusively for the 18th and 19th calendar weeks (27 April to 8 May). The ELW still have to "drive on sight" in the bulky waste area. Therefore, at the end of the week, a decision will be made for the following week.

The ELW noticed that many Wiesbadeners currently enjoy nature walks instead of shopping in the pedestrian zones, and since many leisure and free-time venues have closed due to corona, picnic seems to be high on the agenda. While there is less waste in the inner city trash cans, waste bins in the outer suburbs is filling up faster. For this reason, the ELW will also empty the paper baskets in the busy areas on Saturdays starting this week.

Due to the current personnel situation, the ELW Service Center can only be reached between 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. until further notice.

For more information, please visit the ELW website at <a href="www.elw.de">www.elw.de</a>.

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