## SPECIAL SUNDAY OPENINGS OF RECYCLING CENTRES

Every month AMA arranges for special free collections of waste at Recycling Centres. Recycling Centres open and special recycling points are set up in all the City Districts on alternate Sundays.

#### FREE HOME RECYCLING SERVICE

This service collects bulky waste and electrical domestic appliances from home. Users can ask for up to 2 cubic metres of waste to be collected free of charge at street level. 12 requests may be made in a year, and at the most 2 in the same month. The service is on payment for additional, more frequent collections or for collections at street level.

Call 060606 to book the free waste collection service, with the user code that you will find on your bill ready to hand.

## HOME AND WORK RECYCLING SERVICE

This service collects bulky waste and electrical domestic appliances on payment from household users (for collecting waste with a volume of more than 2 cubic metres at street level and for any volume at other levels, including garages and cellars, and for collections in excess of the 12 free collections) and for businesses and non-residential addresses.

Call 060606 to book this waste collection service.

Prices vary on the basis of the quantity of waste to be disposed of and the collection point (street level or otherwise).

#### **FINES**

Waste must be handled respecting the environment and reducing the costs of disposal and the consumption of raw materials.

The City of Rome's 2005 waste disposal regulations and the subsequent Mayor's Ordinances have made recycling compulsory for all and have provided for fines of from 50 to more than 500 euro to be imposed against offenders.

#### **TELL AMA**

Connect to www.amaroma.it/dillo-ad-ama to send your suggestions on line about the cleanliness of the City: overflowing or broken recycling banks; street cleaning, animal excrement on the pavements; syringes in public places; etc.







# Recycling in Rome using the street recycling banks

www.amaroma.it

AMA toll free number

800 867 035



#### **BLUE BANK**

Glass, plastic and metal containers

#### **PUT IN ONLY:**

- glass bottles, pots and jars
- plastic bottles, pots and jars
- plastic bagsdrink cans
- aluminium trays and foil
- metal food cansplastic and metal caps
- spray cans for food, cosmetics, etc.
- polystyreneplastic plates and cups

- empty bottles and containers completely and rinse them if possible
- squash up plastic bottles and containers

#### PLEASE NOTE!

#### **DO NOT PUT IN:**

- plastic cutlery
- glass, plastic or metal objects other than containers (such as toys, electrical devices, panes of glass, etc.)
- paper, cardboard, paperboard
- china and porcelain
- light bulbs and neon bulbs
- spray cans and containers labelled Toxic and/or Flammable

## Even a small quantity of waste of this kind is enough to make all the rest non-recyclable.



#### WHITE BLANK

Paper, cardboard, paperboard

#### **PUT IN ONLY:**

- paper, cardboard and paperboard packaging
- newspapers, magazines, exercise books
- leaflets, posters
- drink cartons (e.g. in Tetrapak)

#### HOW

- fold up cardboard and reduce its volume
- take out any plastic wrapping or bags inside
- squash up drink cartons and rinse them if possible

#### PLEASE NOTE!

#### DO NOT PUT IN:

- plastic plates, cups and cutlery
- plastic bags
- glass, plastic, metal
- paper or cardboard soiled with food or other substances
- waxed or plastified paper (e.g. food wrapping paper)

## Even a small quantity of waste of this kind is enough to make all the rest non-recyclable.

The paper that is collected is carried to the Comieco platform (the National Consortium for the Recovery and Recycling of Cellulose-based Packaging). Comieco then sends the material on to paper mills to produce new paper.



### **GREY/GREEN BANK**

Non-recyclable materials and organic waste

#### PUT IN ONLY:

- all non-recyclable materials
- plastic cutlery
- remains of food, fruit and vegetables
- leaves and flowers
- soiled paper and cardboard, waxed or plastified paper
- non-recyclable plastic articles such as toys and various other objects
- nappies and sanitary napkins

#### HOW:

- reduce the volume of the waste as much as possible
- put the waste in a tightly closed rubbish sack

#### **PLEASE NOTE!**

#### DO NOT PUT IN:

- any recyclable material at all (e.g. glass, plastic or metal containers; paper)
- liquids
- inappropriate or hazardous materials
- flat batteries or car batteries
- toxic substances
- rubble, tyres
- bulky waste, even if they have been taken apart
- electrical or electronic devices

Non-recyclable materials are sent to the AMA plants, where solid urban waste is sorted and processed. The "dry" fraction is transformed into fuel from waste for energy recovery while the "organic" fraction is processed to produce landfill compost.





#### WHERE TO DISPOSE OF YOUR OTHER WASTE

Some particularly dangerous, toxic or reusable waste is disposed of separately by taking it to a special place. Some examples:



Flat batteries - to the recycling containers in Town Hall offices, schools, AMA district offices and some shops in the sector.



Expired medicines - to the containers in chemists' shops, local health units and AMA local offices.



Printing consumables, e.g. toner cartridges, printing ribbons, photocopier drums, etc. - to the Recycling Centres or AMA local offices.



Lead car batteries are disposed of by the garage that replaces them or, in the event of a DIY replacement, they should be taken to the Recycling Centres or AMA local offices.



Paint and thinner containers - to the Recycling Centres.



Vegetable oils - vegetable oils for cooking food are taken to the Recycling Centres.



Used clothing and clothing accessories - to the yellow street banks.

#### THE AMA RECYCLING CENTRES

The AMA *Centri di Raccolta* - recycling centres - are areas with recycling facilities to which the following types of waste may be taken free of charge:



Bulky waste: doors, cupboards, items of furniture, bed springs, shelves, piping, old gas cookers, mattresses, plastic furnishings, sofas, etc.



E-waste (waste from electrical and electronic devices) such as computers, TV sets, printers, mobile phones, large and small electrical domestic appliances, light bulbs, neon bulbs, etc.



Special waste such as batteries, car batteries, vegetable oils, paint and thinner containers, expired medicines, mercury thermometers, printing consumables, etc.



Inert materials and rubble: sanitary waste, building waste, tiles, bricks, concrete, etc.



Materials in large quantities, including recyclable materials, such as various types of cardboard, paperboard, packaging, newspapers, etc.

Cuttings and trimmings, such as tree branches, grass cuttings, weeds, etc.

In the recycling areas waste is separated according to type and sent for recycling.

Entry to the Recycling Centres is only allowed to private individuals driving vehicles weighing less than 3,500 kg and not to persons acting for third parties.

**REMEMBER:** bulky waste and waste in great quantities, even if the items are small, should not be thrown in the recycling banks or left beside them, but should be taken to the Recycling Centres.

To find out the addresses of the Recycling Centres, select the easiest one to reach, see opening hours and the type of waste accepted, call AMA toll free number 800 867035 or the City of Rome call center on 060606 or connect to www.amaroma.it