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Operational waste

Actions:

- i. Incorporate sufficient waste storage into the building design

i. Waste Storage

A dedicated space for the segregation and storage of **operational recyclable** waste generated should be provided. The space should be:

- At least **2m² per 1000m²** of net floor area for buildings **< 5000m²** or a minimum of **10m² for buildings ≥ 5000m²**. There should be an additional 2m² per 1000m² of net floor area where catering is provided (with an additional minimum of 10m² for buildings ≥ 5000m²). All floor areas should be **rounded up** to the nearest 1000m².
- In addition to any space for general waste or compactors/balers/composters.
- **Clearly labelled**, to assist with segregation, storage and collection of the recyclable waste streams
- **Accessible** to building occupants or facilities operators for the deposit of materials and collections by waste management contractors
- Of an appropriate capacity to the building type, size, number of units (if relevant) and predicted volumes of waste that will arise from daily or weekly operational activities and occupancy rates.

If there are consistently large amounts of operational waste generated then the following should be provided:

- **Static waste compactors or balers**; situated in a service area or dedicated waste management space
- Vessels for **composting** suitable organic waste OR adequate spaces for storing segregated food waste and compostable organic material for collection and delivery to an alternative composting facility
- A **water outlet** provided adjacent to or within the facility for cleaning and hygiene purposes where organic waste is to be stored or composted on site

Is the site a multi residential building?

If the building consists of **self-contained dwellings/bedsits**:

Provide three internal storage containers for each dwelling or bedsit with:

- A minimum total capacity of **30 litres**
- No individual container smaller than **7 litres**
- All containers in a dedicated **non-obstructive** position
- Storage containers for recycling in addition to non-recyclable waste storage.

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And provide **home composting facilities and a home composting information leaflet** within the kitchen area or communal space for each self-contained dwelling or bedsit.

If the building consists of **individual bedrooms and communal facilities**:

- Provide three internal storage containers for every six bedrooms that are a minimum of 30 litres total capacity and no individual container is smaller than 7 litres.
- Locate recyclable storage in a dedicated, unobstructive position in communal kitchens or other appropriate communal space.
- Provide home composting facilities and a home composting information leaflet within the kitchen area or communal space.
- Provide a minimum of **10 litres** of internal storage for compostable waste.

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