

Fact Sheet

Disposal of asbestos waste in the Blue Mountains



Council has strict conditions for the acceptance of asbestos waste at the Blaxland Resource Recovery & Waste Management Facility. It is essential customers follow directions before and during disposal to avoid asbestos exposure to themselves, staff and other people.

Please note asbestos waste is not accepted at the Katoomba facility.

Conditions of entry and disposal

To dispose of asbestos waste at Blaxland, the following conditions must be met:

- Bookings for disposal must be made before entry
- You must arrive on time for your appointment; late arrivals will require rebooking
- Asbestos waste must be wrapped in builders plastic and secured with strong tape
- The asbestos must be wetted down to minimise dust should there be a rupture
- On arrival at the facility, you must follow the directions of staff
- The Blaxland facility cannot accept sheets of asbestos waste larger than 2.4 x1.6 metres.
NSW facilities that accept larger amounts of asbestos waste are listed on the following website:
epa.nsw.gov.au/your-environment/household-building-and-renovation/dealing-with-household-asbestos/facilities-accept-household-asbestos

The following is not permitted

- Delivery of asbestos which is unwrapped or otherwise improperly presented
- Unloading asbestos in a manner which may break open the plastic wrapping
- Delivery of individual sheets of asbestos larger than 2.4 x1.6 metres
- Tipping asbestos from the back of your vehicle
- Not following the directions of staff.

How to book in asbestos waste for disposal

Asbestos waste is accepted **by appointment only**

- 9am to 2:30pm Monday to Friday
- Not on weekends or public holidays
- To make a booking for asbestos waste disposal at Blaxland, please phone **4780 5000** (8am – 4.45pm) at least 24 hours in advance.
- You will need to supply your name, address, phone number, date of disposal and approximately how much asbestos waste you have for disposal.

Fees and Charges for asbestos waste disposal

Fees for the disposal of asbestos waste have been reduced to the same level as for mixed waste. The fees and charges for waste disposal are available on Council's website at bmcc.nsw.gov.au/documents/current-fees-charges.

Penalties may apply

If the conditions outlined in this Fact Sheet are not followed for the disposal of asbestos waste at the Blaxland or Katoomba facilities, you may be in breach of the *NSW Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997* and *Protection of the Environment Operations (Waste) Regulation 2014* and could be liable for penalties.