

5. Side Waste Policy

The purpose of this policy is to ensure compliance with Essex Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy through constraining the amount of household waste entering the waste stream and ensuring that only approved containers are used for the collection of residual waste and recyclable materials and to comply with the requirements of sections 46(3)(a) and 46(4) of the Environmental Protection Act 1990.

“Side Waste” is residual or food & garden waste put out for collection which is **not contained within the official wheelie bin or kerbside caddy** issued to that residence for that service, **or**

where a sack based residual collection service is provided, any sacks exceeding 4 in number put out for a single collection.

- (1) **No side waste will be collected** by the residual collection service **except** for polystyrene packaging or **following** designated holiday and religious festivals such as Christmas, Passover and Ramadan. Details of designated festivals and the dates of permitted additional collections can be found on the Council’s website.
- (2) **No side waste will be collected** by the food & garden recycling service.
- (3) All other recycling (glass, paper, plastic, cans etc) collection services will take any correct material that is placed out for collection in suitable containers, other than black plastic sacks).
- (4) To ensure that wheelie bins and lids are not damaged during the collection and lifting process wheelie bin lids of all wheeled bins presented for collection should be fully closed.