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WASTE AND YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES

By reading this information and acting upon it you are helping our environment and bettering our current waste situation and this is encouraged!

The only way we can solve the problem of waste being sent to landfill is by YOU the consumers making more of an informed decision about who you choose to take away your waste.

The problem we see is that the YOU in most cases have not been informed about where you fit into the waste management hierarchy. It is so important for the sake of our environment that waste companies start educating the consumer to make an informed and better decision as to who you hand over your waste to.

Our aim is to communicate the real basics with a view to ease for you when dealing with waste and contractors.

What is waste and what is your responsibility?

Waste is defined as anything that you discard, intend to discard, or are required to discard.

When you use a waste/recycling company to transport and deal with your waste, you are legally obliged to ensure that the waste is disposed of in a responsible manner.

If you pass your refuse over to a non-authorized waste carrier you could be liable for fines of up to £5000 and in some cases, the Courts have issued such offenders with a criminal conviction.

Find below some features of a good waste contractor:

- Understand the complexities of waste management and be able to offer advice on any queries you have.
- Offer different collection times and frequencies that meet your fluctuating needs.
- Be registered with an appropriate regulator. Enviro Waste is a registered waste carrier regulated by the Environmental Agency (Environment Agency no: CB/CE5092YP). If you have any doubts or if you just want to check a company out call the Environmental Agency (03708 506 506) who hold the register for licensed carriers and ask them to check the name of the company/person in question.
- Transports waste only to licensed sites - When you transfer your waste to another person or organization, you need to be provided with a valid waste transfer note (WTN), the contractor should keep a file of all the waste that has been removed from your site and this should be made available for you to view at any time, upon request.

We at Wayst hope this gives you a better idea of what your responsibilities are and we hope you will now be equipped to make a more informed and better decision as to who you choose to clear your waste.

If you have any questions or queries please do not hesitate to contact us on 020 8556 5056 or email us at info@wayst.co.uk and we would be only too happy to assist.

