



Waste Levy 2019

All you need to know about the new waste strategy

The Queensland Government is developing a new resource, recovery and waste strategy to help reduce the disposal of waste to landfill, increase recycling rates and recover valuable resources. The centrepiece of the strategy will be a waste disposal levy.

Who is introducing the levy?

The Queensland Government is introducing the waste levy.

When does the levy commence?

The waste levy will commence on 1 July 2019.

What does the levy mean for the Douglas households?

The levy does not apply to wheelie bin waste or self-hauled residential waste so households will not incur any direct costs associated with the levy.

What does the levy mean for businesses?

The levy does not apply to Council's wheelie bin waste collection, however businesses will incur the waste levy for self-hauled landfill waste which is taken to Transfer Stations. The levy may also apply to private waste collection arrangements.

Businesses need to reduce waste generation and recycle as much as possible to minimise paying the waste levy.

How much is the levy?

The levy rate starts at \$75 per tonne, GST exc. For further information on the proposed levy rates visit: www.qld.gov.au/wastedisposallevy

Where in Queensland will the levy apply?

Douglas Council is included in the proposed levy zone.

The Queensland proposed levy zones can be viewed at: www.qld.gov.au/wastedisposallevy

Can I get a waste levy exemption or discount?

Some wastes will be exempt from the levy such as waste produced from declared natural disasters. Registered charitable recycling entities may also be eligible to apply for exemptions for waste that is donated but cannot be used or recycled. For more information visit: <https://www.nacro.org.au/qld/>

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