

ACT WASTE LEVY

Cheat Sheet

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WASTE LEVY ESSENTIALS

What is the ACT waste framework?

As the ACT only has one transfer station (Mitchell Resource Management Centre) and one landfill facility (Mugga Lane), there is no waste levy framework for the territory. With the two facilities being owned by the ACT government (operated by third parties), the fee rates are paid directly to the government instead of a waste levy return framework being set up.

How much does waste disposal cost?

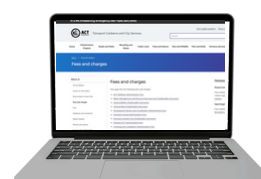
In FY25/26, the rate per tonne for ACT ranged from \$109.20 to \$358 per tonne depending on the type of waste being disposed.

Due to ACT's size, there is no metropolitan or regional levy difference.

DESCRIPTION	LEVY RATE
Household waste fee (depending on size of load)	\$16.60-46.95 per load
Receipt and recycling of whole tyres from light vehicles (depending on condition and with/without rims)	\$17.40-25.50 per tyre
Commercial waste - 0.25 tonne or less	\$51.65 per load
Commercial waste - over 0.25 tonne	\$203.55 per tonne
Domestic Clean Soil (no organics) - 0.5t or more	\$81.35
Domestic Clean Concrete/Bricks - 0.5t or more	\$81.35
Mattress or Mattress Base	\$25.50 per mattress or base
Domestic asbestos - 0.25 tonne or less (Loads over 0.250 tonne are considered commercial)	Free
Commercial asbestos - 0.250 tonne or less	\$57.50 per tonne
Commercial asbestos - over 0.250 tonne	\$228.55

Waste levy rates apply from 1 July.

Check out the list of fees [here](#)



ACT - Zones

There are no separate councils within the ACT; instead the responsibilities of local government are transferred to the ACT territorial government.

Where can waste be disposed?

There are two resource management centres in the ACT for residents to dispose of waste not suitable for Council pick up. Both facilities are operated by Remondis, a third-party waste operator.

These are:

- Mitchell Resource Management Centre
- Mugga Lane Resource Management Centre, Mugga Lane, Symonston ACT



Flemington Rd, Mitchell ACT 2911 Mitchell

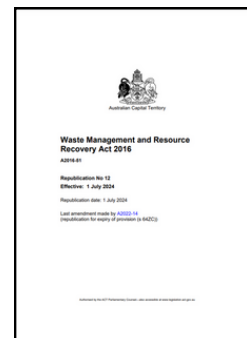


Mugga Lane ACT 2609 Symonston

Waste legislation in the ACT

The key legislation for the waste industry within the ACT is:

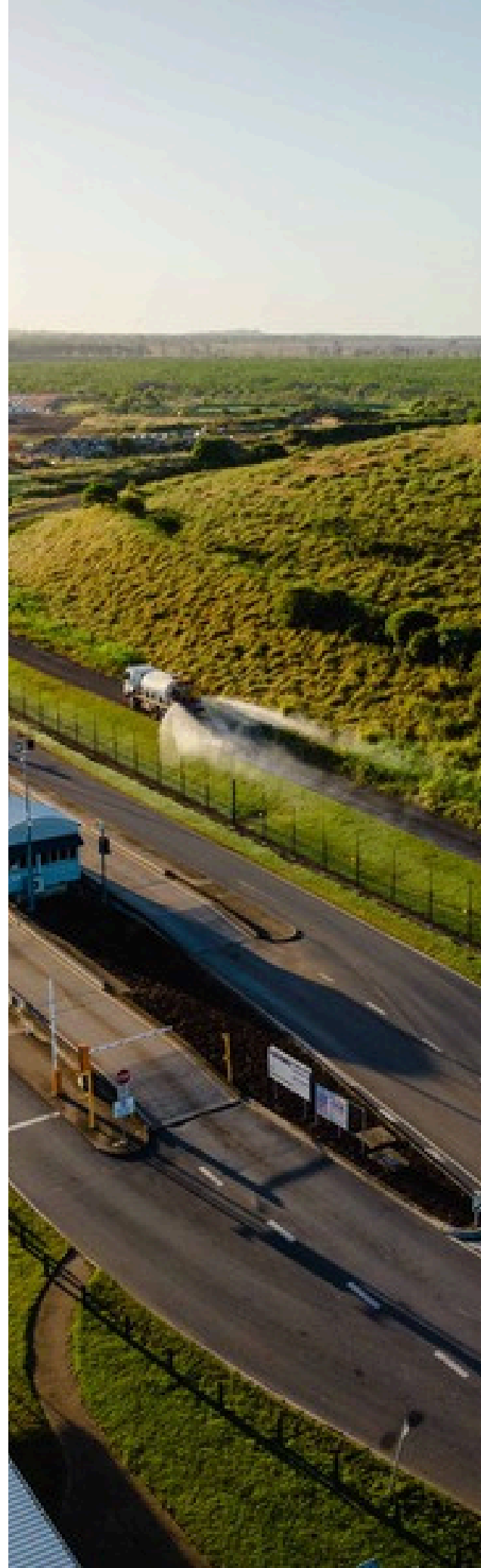
- Waste Management and Resource Recovery Act 2016
- Waste Management and Resource Recovery Regulation 2017



Is any waste **FREE** from levy?

Yes, levy exemptions can be claimed for some materials, including, but not limited to:

- ✓ Waste used for landfill cover
- ✓ Waste used for reuse, reprocessing or recycling
- ✓ Hazardous waste moved by public authority
- ✓ Natural disaster waste than cannot be recycled
- ✓ Asbestos containing material
- ✓ Waste to be used on site - operationally
- ✓ Charity waste (via Charitable Recyclers Rebate to refund waste levy paid by charities)



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