

# Municipal Solid Waste(MSW)charging training material for Higher Educations



# **Training Framework**

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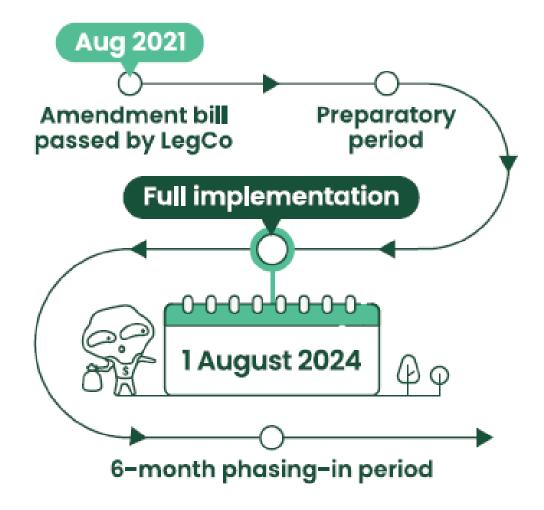


# Overview of the MSW charging



# Overview of MSW charging Schedule

MSW Charging will be implemented on 1August 2024







**Background** 

Enhance waste reduction and recycling

Push for carbon emission reduction and combat climate change

Relieve the burden on landfills

Help reduce carbon emissions

Create green job opportunities

Facilitate the sustainable development of related industries and the creation of green job opportunities





### **Principle**

The more waste you dispose of,

the more you pay

Based on the "Polluter-pays" principle, to be charged based on the quantity of waste disposed of



Regardless of which of the charging mode(s) is/are adopted, the waste producers are responsible for the concerned charges.



## **Overview of MSW charging**

#### Coverage





Domestic waste





Commercial and Industrial waste

Construction waste, chemical waste, and clinical waste are not subject to the MSW charging regime





## **Overview of MSW charging**

### **Charging Modes**



or



Charging by pre-paid designated garbage bags /designated labels

Charging by weight





# Overview of MSW charging Charging Mechanism

- Waste collected by FEHD's and other contractors refuse collection vehicles (RCVs) (with or without rear compactor) or private waste collectors' (PWCs) RCVs with rear compactors.
- (Mainly suitable for general waste in higher education premises.)



FEHD's and other contractors' RCVs



PWC's RCVs with rear compactors



- Waste collected by PWCs' RCVs without rear compactors.
- (Mainly suitable for higher education premises to dispose of waste that is oversized, irregularly shaped, and collected using a refuse skip.)





PWC's RCVs without rear compactors





# Overview of MSW charging

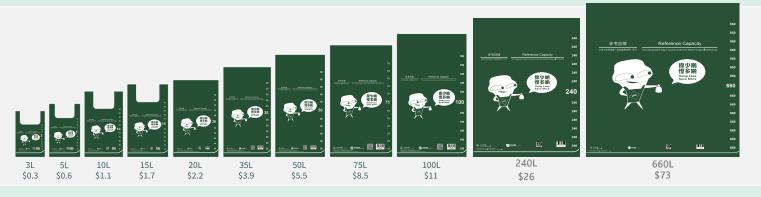
### **Charging by Designated Bags**

#### **General Waste**

# Oversized Waste ( cannot be wrapped in designated bags )

#### Wrapped in designated bags

# Affix with a designated label on each piece of oversized waste





Charged at \$0.11 per litre

9 different common sizes (ranging from 3-litre to 100-litre)

2 Designs: T-shirt bag and Flat-top bag

Designated bags are also available in 240-litre and 640-litre, charged at \$26 and \$73 per bag respectively. Application and approval by EPD is needed for purchasing these two types of bags

Each designated label is priced at a uniform rate of \$11

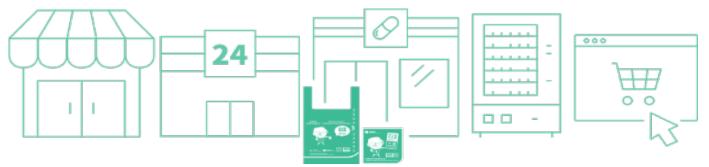






### **Charging by Designated Bags**

**Authorised Sales Points/Platform for Designated Bags/ Designated Labels** 

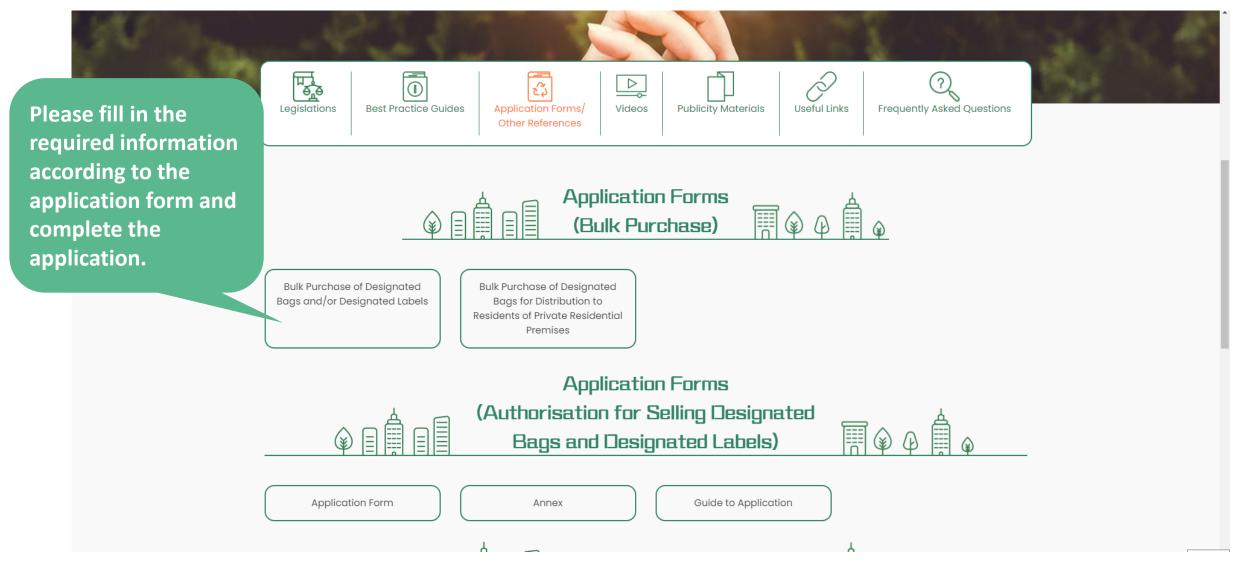


- Available for sale on authorised online platforms and at a few thousands of authorised sales points
  - including supermarkets, convenience stores, pharmacies, etc.
- Visit EPD's MSW website for the details of general retail and bulk for designated bags / designated labels

Any company, organization, or individual member of the public should only purchase designated bags and designated labels from sales points/online platforms authorised by the EPD to avoid purchasing counterfeit products.



## **Application Form for Bulk Purchase**







### **Charging by Weight**

- Designated bags/ Designated labels are not applicable
- According to the disposal location, the "gate fee" charged by weight of the waste is as follows:
  - > \$395 Per Tonne
  - > \$365 Per Tonne
- Apportionment of "Gate-fee"
  - Higher education premises should discuss with the cleansing PWCs the apportionment arrangements.





# Legislative Requirements







### Charging by Designated Bags: Waste Management staff in Higher Education premises

General tenants shall not deposit non-compliant waste (NCW) at the following waste reception areas/enforcement points. Or hand over the NCW to the staff at the FEHD's RCPs, the drivers and the staff of relevant RCVs

Otherwise, it constitutes an offence



# FEHD's and its contractors' refuse collection vehicles



# PWC's refuse collection vehicles with rear compactors



# Legislative Requirements

### **Charging by Designated Bags: For Tenants and Residents of Staff Quarters**

- General waste is required to use designated bags or affix a designated label to each piece of oversized waste before disposing of it at the communal waste reception areas (enforcement points)
- e.g., refuse rooms on individual floors, staircase landings, central refuse collection points, oversized waste reception areas, otherwise, it constitutes an offense.
- ◆ It constitutes an offense if the restaurants/ retail tenants/residents instruct cleansing workers to dispose of waste in a non-compliant manner.

# Communal waste reception areas



Waste collection bin at the staircase landing



Refuse rooms on individual floor



Inlet of the refuse chute on individual floor



Central refuse collection points



If buildings' floors have refuse chutes, cleansing workers are required to comply with the above requirements before disposal, otherwise, it constitutes an offense.







### **Determination of the Applicable Charging Mode(s)**









The disposal method(s) of oversized waste

Determine the applicable charging mode(s)







# Determination of the Applicable Charging Mode(s) – Charging Modes with Refuse Compaction Systems

1. Mobile Refuse Compaction System (Refuse

Compactor)



2. Stationary Compaction
System



3. Automatic Refuse Collection
System



Waste collected by PWCs' RCVs without rear compactors.

Collected by hook-lift trucks











Determination of the Applicable Charging Mode(s) – Charging Modes with Refuse Compaction Systems

4. Rotary Drum RefuseCompaction System





Waste collected by PWC's RCVs with **rear compactors**.







### More than one applicable MSW Charging modes

- There may be more than one applicable MSW charging mode depending on the existing waste collection modes in the Higher Education premises.
- The person in charge of the higher education premises should inform the employees/tenants/ residents of staff dormitories who use the waste collection service provided by the premises in advance of the collection arrangements and charging modes for different garbage.



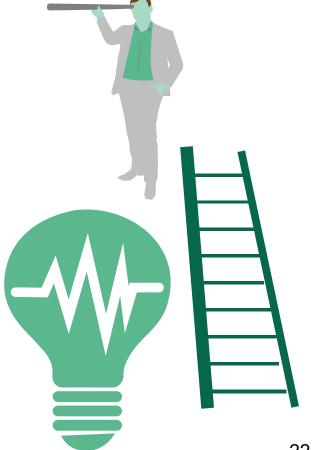




### Implementation "Charging by Designated Bags"

- 1. Monitor and guide frontline staffs to follow the legislative requirements
- Formulate implementation, management, and monitoring plans with the responsibilities and roles of different stakeholders defined, and update stakeholders on the change in waste management (e.g., separating recyclables).
- Formulate relevant notices and guidelines.
- ◆ Enhance training to strengthen the knowledge of staff to ensure that they clearly understand the legislative requirements and guidelines, and waste is wrapped in designated bags before disposal.
- ◆ Display signages at prominent locations (e.g., Communal waste reception areas or designated locations for collection by RCVs) to remind frontline workers to comply with the legislative requirements.

Person in charge of higher education premises/management staff







# 2. Measures to facilitate the compliance of frontline workers with the laws

# Person in charge of higher education premises / management staff

 Cleansing workers may line the containers in higher education premises with designated bags in advance to facilitate workers to dispose of garbage properly.





### 3. Clear Delineation on Communal Waste Reception Areas

(Suitable for tenants/ residents of staff dormitories who use the waste collection

service provided by the premises )

- The communal waste reception areas are the enforcement points.
- The premises should work with the cleansing contractors to delineate the communal waste reception areas according to the premises' waste management.

(e.g., refuse rooms on individual floors, central refuse collection points, and oversized waste reception areas)

Display signages at prominent locations





公用垃圾收集點 COMMUNAL WASTE RECEPTION AREA

Source of the waste

**Corresponding Actions** 

- Individual classrooms/ Laboratory
- > Staff rooms
- Other common areas E.g.:
  - Library
  - Podium Garden
  - Lift Lobby
  - Activity Room
  - Meeting Room
  - Sport Facilities

- Cleansing workers may line the containers with designated bags in advance/ collect all the waste using a large designated bag at once.
- Cleansing workers are required to ensure all waste collected from higher education premises is properly wrapped in designated bags before handing it over to FEHD/other contractors or PWCs' RCVs with rear compactors.







# Source of the waste

#### **Corresponding Actions**

- When cleansing workers are collecting general waste from the communal waste reception areas:
- Should check whether the waste has been properly wrapped in designated bags and reject any NCW given to them.
- Tenants who use the waste management services provided by the premises
- To maintain environmental hygiene, cleansing workers can further handle any NCW from unknown sources found in the communal waste reception areas.
- > should not line the large waste collection bins at the communal waste reception areas with large designated bags. Depending on the needs of individual premises, they may arrange the purchase of transparent garbage bags to collect waste wrapped in designated bags.
- Ensure relevant waste is properly wrapped using the designated bags before handing it over to FEHD or PWCs.



Source of the waste	Corresponding Actions				
	When cleansing workers are collecting general waste from the residents:				
	Should check whether the waste has been properly wrapped in designated bags and reject any NCW given to them.				
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Generally, the amount of waste generated in student dormitories is relatively small, and the accommodation service fee also includes waste disposal services.

Student residents only need to dispose of waste in the garbage containers in their rooms or public areas for cleansing workers to collect. **Student residents are not required to use designated bags or labels** when disposing of waste in dormitory garbage containers.



#### Student Dormitory

- Individual Dormitory Room
- Common Areas
  - Individual Dormitory Room
  - Pantry/Kitchen
  - Bathroom
  - Laundry Room
  - Activity Room
  - Other common area

#### **Corresponding Actions**

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### **Charging by Weight**

### 1. Arrangements for opening "gate-fee" accounts

Type A Account	Type B Account		
Mainly targets at PWCs	Mainly targets at large scale waste producers (e.g. large- scale facilities, factories, shopping malls)		

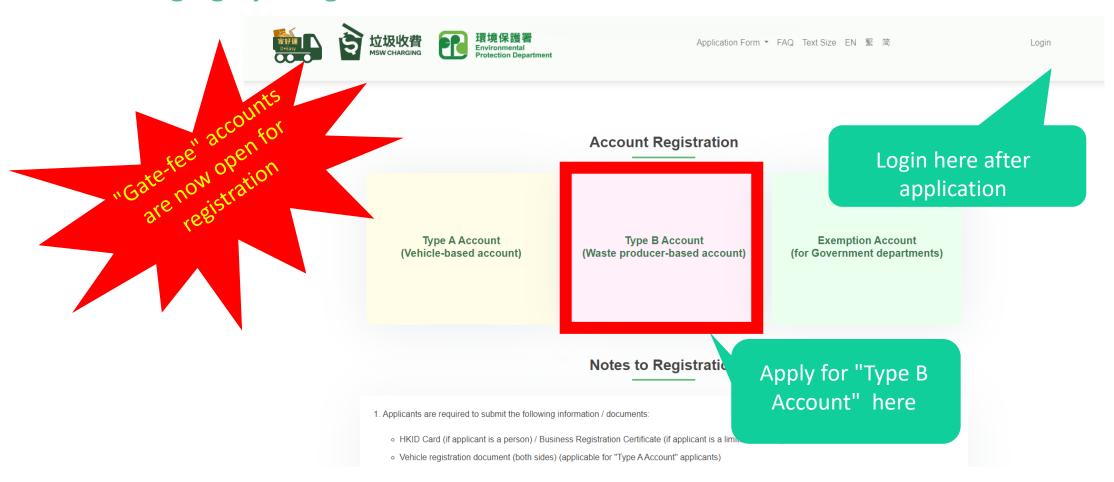
#### **Payment Arrangements**

The EPD will issue monthly statements to account holders by mail or email. They are required to make payment within 30 days from the issue date of the statement. Otherwise, a surcharge on top of the "gate-fee" will become payable.

- Higher education premises may engage PWCs with "Type A Account" directly to collect and dispose of waste on their behalf.
- Higher education premises should discuss with PWCs the arrangements for waste collection services and list the relevant arrangements and calculation methods in the contract, to protect the interests of both parties.
- ☐ Higher education premises may apply for "Type B Account" direct and hire vehicles registered under "Type A Accounts" to dispose of waste at the waste disposal facilities and pay the relevant fees directly to the EPD.



### **Charging by Weight**











Complete the application by filling out the required information as requested on the website

#### **Registration Form for Type B Account**

(Applicable to major waste producers)

articulars of Applicant	Particulars of Waste Producer	e-Chits	Declaration of Applicant	Preview	Confirmation
Particulars of	of Applicant				
*Title					
O Mr O Mrs O	Ms ○ Company ○ Other				
*Name in English (Surnar	(Surname First)	Name in Chinese			
*H.K. Identity Card	i No.				
e.g. A123456(3)					
*Residential Addre	ess				





### 2. Waste collection arrangements

- Waste collected by PWCs using RVCs without rear compactors and disposed of at waste disposal facilities, a "gate-fee" will be charged based on its weight.
- Charging by weight does not need to wrap the waste in designated bags or affix it with a designated label to avoid double payment.
- Cleansing workers can use ordinary garbage bags to collect and dispose of waste collected in higher education premises and hand it over to PWCs.









### 3. "Gate-fee" - Payment Arrangements

■ With permitted resources and sufficient space in the refuse room, higher education premises may consider installing electronic scales to facilitate PWCs to estimate the corresponding weight of the waste and the "gate-fee".







# Waste Reduction and Recycling Arrangements



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- ◆ Active participation in clean recycling (paper, plastic bottles, aluminum cans, glass bottles and food waste) can reduce MSW charging fees.
- Non-recyclable wastes should not be disposed of in recycle bins.
- Recycling can reduce waste and save money using designated bags with smaller capacity for waste disposal.







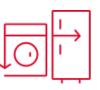


















## **Best Practice Guide on Implementation of Waste Reduction**

### 1. Classroom and common area in higher education premises





Set up recycling bins in classrooms/public areas (such as libraries/gardens) of higher education premises to facilitate students/visitors/employees to recycle, and cleansing workers can then take the recyclables to the central recycling collection point.





## Best Practice Guide on Implementation of Waste Reduction

### 2. Central refuse collection point



Set up recycling bins with clear markings of the types of recyclables at central refuse collection points in higher education premises to facilitate frontline cleansing workers to sort and recycle the waste.



# Waste Reduction and Recycling Arrangements

### **General Waste Reduction and Recycling Information**

Hong Kong Waste Reduction Website





# Thank you for supporting MSW charging

