

# POLICY



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**Policy title:** **EXEMPTIONS FROM WASTE COLLECTION DISPOSAL CHARGES**

**Directorate:** COMMUNITY SERVICES

**Branch:** COMMUNITY SERVICES

**Policy objective:** To implement a sustainable and cost effective waste management strategy to support community organisations in Logan City.

**Policy scope:**

To assist in determining eligibility of organisations which are exempted from paying solid waste disposal charges, the following category classifications will apply:

**1. Charities and community purpose organisations**

Criteria for exemption

- (a) Charities registered under the *Collection Act 1966* by the charities section of the Office of Consumer Affairs.
- (b) Community purpose organisations sanctioned under the *Collection Act 1966* by the charities section of the Office of Consumer Affairs.
- (c) Organisations which make public appeals to obtain money or articles but are specifically exempted from the provisions of the *Collection Act 1966*. Such organisations may include religious denominations (as recognised by the *Marriage Act 1961* and their associated organisations (such as St Vincent De Paul, Salvation Army, Lifeline, etc) and Parents and Citizens Associations.

NOTE: The status of organisations under the *Collection Act 1966* may be obtained verbally or in writing from the charities clerk in the Office of Consumer Affairs.

**2. Schools**

Criteria for exemption

The school must be within the boundaries of the Council's area.

**3. Community based sporting groups**

Criteria for exemption

The community based sporting group must be located within the boundaries of the Council's area and occupy land owned by the Council or reserves controlled by the Council.

**4. Community based non-profit organisations**Criteria for exemption

The community based non-profit organisation must provide benefits to the public within the boundaries of Logan City Council.

**5. 'Clean up Australia Day'**Criteria for exemption

The waste must have been generated in association with the annual 'Clean up Australia Day' event.

Conditions of exemption

The Community Services Manager is authorised to set conditions of exemption on an annual basis.

**6. Emergency**Criteria for exemption

The waste must have been generated as a result of storm, flood or other emergency.

Conditions of exemption

The Community Services Manager is authorised to set conditions of exemption on an 'as required' basis.

**Definitions:**

Not applicable.

**Policy statement:**

The following procedure is to be undertaken for this policy:

**1. Procedure 1: exemption from solid waste disposal charges at landfills**

Categories 1 to 4 are required to comply with the following conditions:

- (a) A written application must be made for exemption from waste disposal charges.
- (b) Organisations must include the following with their written application:
  - (i) the organisation's objectives
  - (ii) the activities the organisation undertakes
  - (iii) whether the organisation is not for profit
  - (iv) a copy of the organisation's Certificate of Incorporation, etc (if applicable)
  - (v) an estimate of the number of visits to the landfill each financial year.
- (c) Upon approval, the organisation will be issued with a letter of exemption from waste disposal charges or service charges. The original of this letter must be produced to landfill employees on each occasion of waste disposal.
- (d) Photocopies of letters of exemptions may not be used. Instances of letters of exemption being lost shall be reported to the Community Services directorate.
- (e) All waste for which disposal charge exemption is sought must have been generated by the organisation.
- (f) A limit of \$1,000 per financial year of waste disposal charges/additional service applies.

**2. Procedure 2: waste services for community organisations hosting community events within Logan City**

Categories 1 to 4 are required to comply with the following conditions:

- (a) A written application must be made for exemption from waste disposal charges.
- (b) Organisations must include the following with their written application:
  - (i) the organisation's objectives
  - (ii) the activities the organisation undertakes
  - (iii) whether the organisation is not for profit
  - (iv) a copy of the organisation's Certificate of Incorporation, etc (if applicable).
- (c) Following approval, the Community Services branch will co-ordinate the supply of waste services with the Health, Environment & Waste branch, in accordance with the approved application.
- (d) The Health, Environment & Waste Manager shall provide a monthly account to the Community Services Manager detailing the fees applicable for waste services provided to community organisations hosting community events, who shall arrange reimbursement from the Community Services Obligations budget.
- (e) A limit of \$300 per financial year of waste services applies.

**Related policies/legislation/other documents:**

DOC ID	DOCUMENT TYPE	DOCUMENT NAME
-	Legislation	<i>Collection Act 1966</i>
<a href="#">5985665</a>	Policy	Community Service Obligations