



ON/OFF Base Recycling Information for Spangdahlem Air Base

For any questions, contact the Environmental Office DSN/Commercial 452(0656561)-7257

On Base Recycling Information

Glass Recycling



- Do not put ceramics, china, light bulbs, mirrors, stoneware, crystal, glass pans, or window glass in these containers.
- Type of glass that is allowed: wine bottles, glass jars, beer bottles, glass soda bottles
- Glass is separated by three colors: White(Weiss), Green (Grün), and brown (Braun). Glasses with other colors (e.g. blue) can be put in the containers for green glass.
- Please rinse out glass, and put the glass in the correct color container.
- Glass containers can be found in the housing area on base.
- If you purchase beer bottles by the crate on base (ex. Shoppette), return the crate full of empty bottles to receive deposit back.



On Base Recycling Information

Paper Recycling



- Do not put plastic, paper towels (napkins), diapers, or parchment paper materials in the blue bins.
- Items such as regular paper (printing, notebook, etc.), cardboard boxes, cardboard material (cereal boxes, pizza boxes, etc.), or newspaper can be put into the blue bins.
- It is common courtesy to flatten large boxes to maximize space in the blue bins. These bins are shared within the housing community.
- Contact the Housing Management Office 452(0656561)-7133 for pickup schedules.



On Base Recycling Information

Other Recycling



- The Base Recycling Center is utilized for collecting large amounts of recyclable/hazardous items from PCSing families, DoD ID card holders, and shops/businesses.
- The BRC is building 64, and the hours of operations are Monday through Friday 0900-1200.
- The BRC has many collection containers. You can find containers for metal items, electronic items, bulk trash, packaging material (plastic and paper/cardboard), yard/garden waste, and a variety of hazardous wastes (batteries, household cleaners, light bulbs, aerosol cans, etc.)



- The Red Cross Donation Bins are located in the back of the Commissary parking lot.
- Items that can be donated are gently used clothes, shoes, and textiles.
- Books, toys, military clothing, appliances, and electronics CANNOT be donated here.
- Please donate the above items to either the Airman's Attic or the Thrift Store.
- Airman's Attic is in building 196, next to the Community Center. The donation days/hours are Monday-Thursday from 1100-1300.
- The Thrift Store is in building 410 and the entrance is on the right end of the building. The donation days/hours are Tuesday from 1000-1700 and Wednesday from 1200-1900.



On Base Recycling Information

Shops, Offices, and Businesses



- Shops and businesses may use the Base Recycling Center for large amounts of paper and cardboard recycling.
- Currently, it is up to individuals in each office/shop to collect paper, aluminum cans, plastic bottles, and cardboard to take to the BRC.

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- Please rinse out glass, and put the glass in the correct color container.
- Glass containers can be found in local villages.
- If you purchase beer bottles in a case from a local German store, return empty bottles and case to the original store to receive your deposit back.
- Some restaurants that sell their own beer or wine might offer a deposit refund if the bottles are returned. Ask your waiter/waitress if they offer this.



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- You may share a recycling bin with your landlord or neighbor, so please be courteous and flatten boxes to maximize space in the blue bin.
- Enter your city or village in the "Abfuhr Kalender" box at <https://www.art-trier.de/> to find the recycling pick-up schedule. Please put the blue bins at the curbstone for removal not earlier than the evening prior to the pick-up day.



Off Base Recycling Information

Yellow Bags (Gelber Sack)



- The Gelber Sack is a result of the Green Dot Program (Der Grüne Punkt). Dual Systems in Germany collect, sort, and recycle used packaging materials. Industry manufactures pay these systems to do this for their product packaging materials. The product buyers pay therefore in advance for the recycling of the packaging of the product.
- For this reason, yellow bags are free to German and off-base residents. Please put only empty packaging materials into the yellow bags.
- Items that go in the yellow bag may include packaging foam, bubble wrap, plastic bottles, metal cans, plastic food tubs, foil wrappers, and plastic beverage cartons.
- Obtaining yellow bags varies for each area, so speak to your landlord about where to get yellow bags.
- Enter your city or village in the "Abfuhr Kalender" box at <https://www.art-trier.de/> to find the recycling pick-up schedule. Usually the pick-up dates for the yellow bags are the same as for waste paper. Please put the yellow bags at the curbstone for removal not earlier than the evening prior to the pick-up day.



- Items to avoid putting into the yellow bags are items marked with the pfand (deposit) symbol. You will typically see this symbol on plastic beverage bottles.
- Items with this symbol can be brought to any German grocery store with a bottle collection machine to receive deposits back.

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Other Recycling



- For bulk trash and hazardous waste, you can speak to your landlord about area specific disposal options.
- Typically, bulk trash is collected a couple times a year. The bulk trash is gathered in front of houses and collected by A.R.T, a municipal waste disposal agency. If you live in the county of Eifelkreis Bitburg-Pruem, the bulk waste will be picked up twice a year on fixed dates. If you live in other counties you have to arrange a pick-up date with the A.R.T., Phone: 0049-651-9491-414.
- Hazardous waste can either be taken to the Base Recycling Center, or you can take the waste to your local waste collection point.
- There are municipal waste collection points near Bitburg (Rittersdorf EVZ), Wittlich (Sehlem EVZ), and Trier (Mertesdorf EVZ).
- Mertesdorf EVZ is the only waste collection point that will accept hazardous waste on a daily basis. All others have specific days and times that they will collect hazardous waste.
- Hazardous waste pick up times and days can be found on the A.R.T website in the Menu under "Standorte". Select the location and you can then find the pick up days and times. If you have any questions please phone 0049-651-9491-414 (A.R.T. help desk).

