

Household Waste Recycling Centres (Tidy Tips)

Access policy and information

Tidy tips are designed for Luton residents to deposit small quantities of household recycling, general and bulky waste.

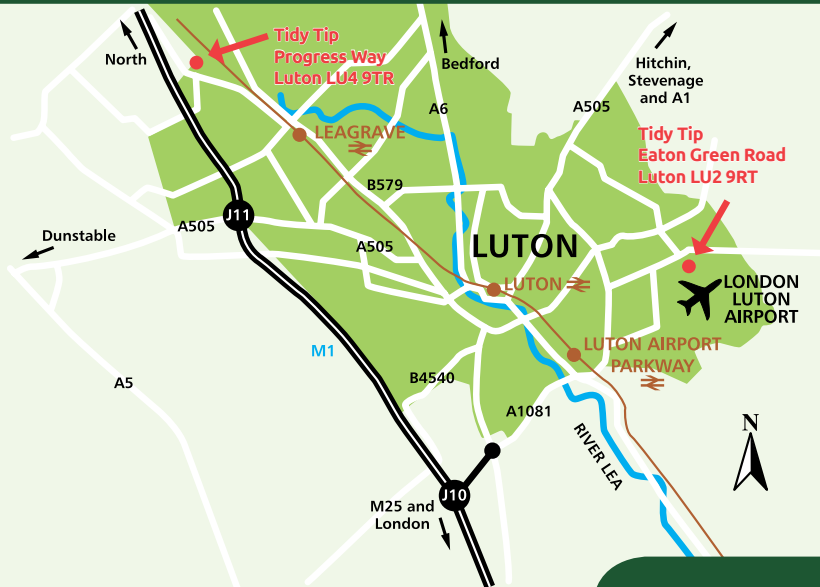
Eaton Green Road, Wigmore, LU2 9RT

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Please make sure you give yourself plenty of time to unload your car and arrive at least 15 minutes before closing time. For further information, and details of how to obtain a **FREE** permit, please call our Waste Permit Line on **0300 790 0348**



Vehicles that need a permit

For vehicles shown below a permit will be needed.



Trailers

A permit is needed for trailers with dimensions more than 3ft (0.91m) x 4ft (1.2m)

Vehicles including trailers bigger than 6ft (1.8m) x 4ft (1.2m) and those with double axle wheels are not permitted on site for health and safety reasons.



What you can take to the tidy tip

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- glass bottles and jars
- wood
- cardboard
- paper
- newspapers and magazines
- white office paper
- mixed papers
- junk mail
- garden waste
- textiles
- scrap metal
- white goods
- cans, soil
- energy lightbulbs
- cooking oil
- paint
- used engine oil
- LPG cylinders
- car and domestic batteries
- fridges and freezers
- electrical waste and equipment

(including fluorescent tubes, TVs, computer monitors and small items such as irons, toasters, and small amounts of DIY)

The following items cannot be accepted at tidy tips



- animal faeces, carcasses and animal bedding
- contaminated materials presenting a direct contact risk
- whole/sectioned trees (more than 150mm in diameter) and conifers
- flammable liquids or explosives (eg petrol, fireworks or ammunition)
- asbestos.

- permits are valid for three visits and for one calendar month and you can take six items per visits

- invalid permits will be retained by site operatives and you will need to apply for a replacement

Waste restrictions

Each permit has three slips. A maximum of six items can be taken per slip. Site staff may remove up to three slips depending on volume of waste deposited. The following are examples of what is considered to be one DIY item:

- one bath tub
- one toilet pan
- one cistern
- one wash basin
- one watertank
- one standard door
- one kitchen worktop (max.length 1.5m)
- one window frame
- one fence panel and post
- one 100-litre sack of other DIY waste (eg tiles etc.)

If you have more than six items of DIY waste per month you will need to make alternative arrangements e.g. hire a skip.

Additional waste restrictions

Householders are able to dispose of the following items in any one calendar year:

- two fridges
- two car batteries
- two TVs
- ten litres of engine oil
- two freezers
- four car tyres
- two LPG cylinders
- five litres of garden chemicals
- two computer monitors
- four fluorescent tubes



Traders and commercial waste

There is a commercial bin located at the Progress Way tidy tip for small traders to dispose of their waste. Charges apply, call **01582 510333** for details.



There is no access to the following

- vehicle with more than four wheels
- trucks or vans weighing over 3.5 tonnes
- vehicles or trailers that are more than 6ft x 4ft long,
- twin axle trailers
- tippers
- vehicles which are carrying commercial waste intended for residential disposal



Duty of care (householders)

If you pass your household waste (including DIY waste) to anyone else, you **MUST** check that they are legally authorised to take it. **If the waste is illegally dumped, and you did not check, you could be fined up to £2,000.**

To check waste carriers credentials, visit **www.environment-agency.gov.uk** and click on public registers. Please keep the waste carriers' details (including the vehicle registration number) in case we need to check on them later.

It is a criminal offence for any person who is disposing of commercial waste at a tidy tip to claim it to be any other type of waste. For more details, please see the warning later in this leaflet.

Warning

Any person who disposes of commercial waste at a tidy tip, and who has not declared it to be commercial waste, may be committing a criminal offence. He or she may be prosecuted and could be liable to pay the council the requisite fee for the waste disposed of. Facilities are provided at the Progress Way site for the legitimate disposal of commercial waste (charges apply).

Site operatives will retain all expired permits, or the tear-off strips from permits, and details of any suspected commercial waste abuse will be forwarded to the Luton Council permit team for investigation.

The council reserves the right to use this information and details to review the site usage and may refuse the issue of permits on the basis of false or misleading information. Such information may be forwarded to the Environment Agency, Inland Revenue, Trading Standards and other law enforcement agencies for further action.

Safety at the tidy tip

- please follow site instruction
- keep children and pets inside your vehicle
- pedestrian access is not allowed on site and no waste can be carried on site
- note that any waste left outside the gates is considered to be flytipping and is an illegal offence and offenders will be prosecuted

The council will not accept abuse or violence towards tidy tip staff by any member of the public. Equally, you have the right to expect that staff will be respectful to you. If you feel that this was not the case during your visit, please visit **luton.gov.uk**

**All information will be stored on a database registered under the
Data Protection Act 1998**