Factsheet



Nappies (2-bin system)

Nappies and incontinence products can't be recycled or composted!

There seems to be some confusion as to which bin to place disposable nappies.

Every day, thousands of nappies arrive at the recycling facilities around Perth after being placed into the incorrect kerbside bin.

Soiled nappies and incontinence products should **NEVER** be placed in the recycling bin as they end up contaminating the recycling.

Please dispose of these products in your General Waste Bin (Dark Green lid).

Ditch the disposables and go reusable

One child will use 4,000-6,000 disposable nappies, costing up to \$3,000. Each nappy takes up to 500 years to break down in landfill, where it generates methane, a potent greenhouse gas.

Modern cloth nappies are a great alternative – they have a lesser impact on the environment and will save you thousands of dollars over the time your baby is in nappies.

A reusable swim nappy is a great place to start, if full-time cloth nappies won't work in your household or you would like to start small before committing to cloth every day.

