



available at all
**Council Recycling
& Waste Depots**

If you have unwanted clothing, shoes or handbags that are in good condition, (which means good enough you would happily give it to a friend), then we encourage you to donate those items to an OP-Shop.

Reuse is always the first course of action to reduce waste.

However, charities are limited in what they can accept due to storage, resale and hygiene issues. Donating (or dumping) poor quality textiles at charities becomes a costly waste disposal burden.



Council is now working in partnership with Nowra based company DLG Australia, in a 12 month trial, to recycle textiles that are not fit for reuse.

Worn textiles including clothing, bed linen, towels and more, that were previously destined for landfill can now be recycled via Shoalhaven City Council's Recycling & Waste Depots.

Look for our bright blue Textile Recycling Collection Bins at any of our Recycling & Waste Depots.



✓ What textiles DO we accept?

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| ✓ All Clothing | ✓ Shoes |
| ✓ Bed Linen | ✓ Curtains |
| ✓ Table Linen | ✓ Car Seat Covers |
| ✓ Blankets | ✓ Rugs (small) |
| ✓ Cushion covers | ✓ Bath Mats |
| ✓ Towels | ✓ Belts |
| ✓ Handbags | ✓ Hats |
| ✓ Small bags
(Such as day/backpacks
and school bags) | ✓ Cooler Bags
(Textile not plastic) |

We accept almost anything that is made from textiles but please note:

- Items need to be of a size that can easily fit into the chute of the bin. **If your trying to cram it in, it stays out.**
- Textiles don't need to be spotless but they do need to be reasonably clean. Please consider the staff that will be sorting the contents of these bins.
- Be mindful that some items may be made from plastic which is not accepted. This may include cooler bags, shopping bags, shower curtains, outdoor cushion covers.

✗ What we DON'T accept?



Pillows, cushions, doonas, mattress toppers, sleeping bags
Items containing foam or feathered stuffing.



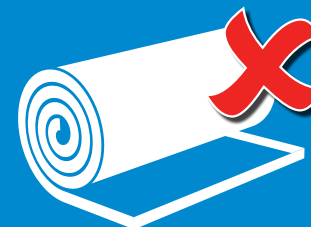
Wet or damp items
Damp items stored in the clothing bin can lead to mould which impairs the recycling process.



Paint or chemical stained items.
Includes oily used rags.



Suitcases or large bags
Items need to be small enough to fit through the chute. No large sporting bags.



Carpet or large rugs

AND NOTHING THAT IS NOT A TEXTILE!

About our partner DLG Australia

Repurpose. Reuse. Recycle.

This RRR Process is DLG Australia's approach to their textile recycling operations.

REUSE

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This is where high quality, perfectly re-wearable items are given a second chance to be used for original purpose. Only unstained, undamaged, high quality fits this purpose.

REPURPOSE

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This is where collected textile can be utilised for another purpose, thus giving it extra life. An example of this would be mask making, bag/rag making or similar projects.

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Any textiles that cannot be reused or repurposed are put through our partner recycling process, where every part of the garment is recycled. This includes zippers, buttons, material and fillings.

There is no landfill as part of our RRR process either in Australia or overseas.

What happens to the recycled textiles?

Using cotton as an example, this is shredded, carded and then respun back into reels of cotton. These reels are then used to re-manufacture items such as towels, linens, rugs and much more.

Even the difficult to recycle textiles are given an extra life as emergency blankets,

removalist wrap, insulation, automotive interior trim, flooring and much more.

Just giving an extra life to a textile bound for landfill is a benefit. The aim is to increase the lifecycle of products as the technology improves.

What about overseas partners?

DLG Australia prides itself on its strong and transparent relationship with their counterparts in India.

India is the only country with RRR capabilities that can offer federally mandated living wage conditions coupled with a strong and consistent history of compliance with the strict multi-national manufacturing brands in relation to Work, Health & Safety conditions and processes.

DLG Australia's processes promote the local economy and environment in India without concerns about waste ending up buried in landfill.



Visit dlgaustralia.com.au for more information

Shoalhaven City Council Recycling & Waste Depots

Bendalong

1110 Bendalong Rd | Sat & Sun 1pm-5pm

Berry

175 Agars Lane | Fri Sat Sun Mon 8am - 4pm

Callala

270 Coonemia Rd | Fri Sat Sun Mon 8am - 4pm

Huskisson

235 Huskisson Rd | Open 7 Days 8am - 5pm

Kangaroo Valley

205 Bendeela Rd | Sat, Sun & Mon 9am - 1pm

Kioloa

374 Murramarang Rd | Fri Sat Sun 9am - 1pm

Lake Conjola

488 Lake Conjola Entrance Rd | Sat Sun 8am -12pm

Sussex Inlet

40 The Springs Rd | Fri Sat Sun Mon 9am - 3pm

Ulladulla

94 Pirralea Rd | Open 7 Days 8am - 5pm

West Nowra

120 Flatrock Rd | Open 7 Days 8am - 5pm



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