

# Waste disposal in the canton of Uri

In December every household in the canton of Uri receives an information sheet called "Where to take waste from private households?" It contains information about collecting points and details regarding drop-off locations. Further information is available on ZAKU website ([www.zaku.ch](http://www.zaku.ch)) or at municipal offices.

Information sheets can be downloaded under the following link: downloads: [Downloads](#)

On the following pages you will find [information about waste disposal](#), in particular what kind of waste there is (further details will be provided when clicking on the respective symbol). Important information about waste material, as well as drop-off locations and costs involved are listed. These pages provide a summary of the ZAKU website.

























## General information about collecting points

Collecting points are to be kept clean. Waste should not be deposited next to containers. From 8 pm to 7 am it is strictly prohibited to make use of collecting points.

We thank you for your understanding and cooperation in separating waste. Thanks to your support, waste can be recycled and resources can be saved.



# Signs for waste

	Ordinary waste		Scrap metal		Waste oil and cooking oil
	Aluminium iron sheet		Coffee capsule		Ashes
	Batteries		Construction waste and cutting		Glasses
	Electrical devices		Garden waste		Poison
	Glass		Wood		Cadaver
	Cardboard		Cooling devices		Neon tube and bulbs
	Paper		PET		Bulky goods
	Styrofoam		Textiles and shoes		Weapons

## Waste disposal depending on the different types of waste

### Ordinary waste



- Important guidelines:**
- For multi-family dwellings and apartment buildings with more than 10 residential units standard containers are provided. They are marked with an adhesive saying "Only for chargeable waste bags." Waste adhesives can be [ordered](#) from ZAKU free of charge.
  - For particularly bulky waste: see [bulky goods](#).

**Drop-off:** Waste is collected on a weekly basis and along specified collection routes. It must be made available in ZAKU's chargeable bags by no later than 7:00 am on the day of pick-up, but no earlier than the previous evening. You will find information about the route and day of pick-up and other routes under the [Routenplan](#) link on the ZAKU website (day of pick-up is indicated by clicking on the respective route symbol).

**Costs:** Chargeable bags are available at grocery stores. The price per waste bag is:

Price per rubbish bag:

17 litres	1.35 Fr.
35 litres	2.40 Fr.
60 litres	3.90 Fr.



Chargeable bag

## Scrap metal



**Important guideline:** Collected scrap metal is separated by scrap metal traders and used for the production of new goods. This procedure saves raw materials.

**Drop-off:** Scrap metal can be deposited at the [collecting point Eielen](#) or at [municipal collecting points](#). In addition, ZAKU annually carries out a scrap metal collection in most communities.

**Costs:** Old metals are accepted free of charge.

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## Waste oil and cooking oil



**Important guideline:** Oils should not be poured into the lavabo. They can only be processed at ARA and with much effort. One liter of oil that gets into the water can pollute 1'000'000 liters of water

**Drop-off:** Waste oil and cooking oil can be returned to the designated [collecting points](#). It is important to use the right funnel for recycling oils.

**Costs:** The drop-off of waste oil and cooking oil is free of charge.

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## Aluminium / iron sheet



**Important guideline:** In order to save transport costs, we ask you to flatten cans. Leftovers and labels should be removed and cans should be washed with cold water.

**Drop-off:** [Collecting point Eielen](#) or [communal collecting points](#) (check the [map](#)).

**Costs:** Disposal of aluminium and iron sheets is free of charge.

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## Coffee capsule



**Important guideline:** Plastic capsules must be put into ordinary waste.

**Drop-off:** Aluminium capsules can be returned to the [communal collecting points](#), the [Baldini AG](#), [Recycling Wyrsh](#) or the stores where they had been purchased.

**Costs:** They can be returned free of charge.

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## Ashes



**Important guideline:** Ashes from natural wood can be used as natural fertilizer.

**Drop-off:** Ashes can be returned in small amounts to the [collecting point Eielen](#). Large quantities have to be returned to specific companies.

**Costs:** Disposal at Eielen: 10 Rp. / kg

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## Batteries



**Important guidelines:** - Batteries can be broken down into their components. They can be reused for other products.  
- Any packaging materials such as plastic or cardboard must be disposed of separately

**Drop-off:** - Batteries need to be returned either to the stores or [communal collecting points](#). Batteries of cars and other vehicles cannot be returned to communal collecting points. They have to be returned to the garages or scrap trade. Alternatively, they can be returned to the [collecting point Eielen](#).

**Costs:** Disposal at the collecting point Eielen: 70 Rp. / kg

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## Construction waste and cutting



**Important guideline:** Non-mineral and non-combustible materials are listed under the category *construction waste and excavation material*.

**Drop-off:** Small amounts can be returned to [collecting point Eielen](#).

**Costs:** 10 Rp. / kg

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## Glasses



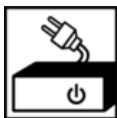
**Important guideline:** Old and unbroken glasses can be sent to third world countries. Therefore, you should not throw them away, but drop them off at a nearby optician's.

**Drop-off:** Broken glasses can be thrown away, whereas intact glasses should be returned to an optician's in your area:

<a href="#">Thürig Optik</a>	<b>THÜRIG optik</b> brillen • kontaktlinsen sehberatung	Gotthardstrasse 74 6460 Altdorf	Tel. <a href="tel:0418711515">041 871 15 15</a>
<a href="#">Jauch Optik</a>	<b>JAUCH OPTIK</b> natürliches Sehen	Gitschenstrasse 2a 6460 Altdorf	Tel. <a href="tel:0418703006">041 870 30 06</a>
<a href="#">Kündig &amp; Sélébam Optik</a>	Kündig & Sélébam Optik Ist. St. Sülzen Lehnplatz 20 - 6460 Altdorf	Lehnplatz 20 6460 Altdorf	Tel. <a href="tel:0418700877">041 870 08 77</a>
<a href="#">Optiker Zeugin AG</a>	<b>ZEUGIN</b>	Tellgasse 4 6460 Altdorf	Tel. <a href="tel:0418706353">041 870 63 53</a>
<a href="#">McOptic</a>	<b>McOptic<sup>+</sup></b>	Schützengasse 5 6460 Altdorf	Tel. <a href="tel:0418714485">041 871 44 85</a>

**Costs:** Disposal is free of charge.

## Electrical devices



**Important guidelines:**

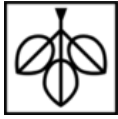
- Consumers are **obliged** to return electrical goods.
- Under no circumstances are you allowed to throw electrical devices into ordinary waste. They oftentimes contain toxic substances (e.g. in capacitors).

Furthermore, raw materials are very valuable and can only be recycled if disposed of properly.

**Drop-off:** Stores and the [collecting point Eielen](#) will accept your electronical waste.

**Costs:** Disposal is free of charge.

## Garden waste



**Important guideline:** The disposal of garden waste must be made in registered green containers. They are marked with a ZAKU chip. For this purpose, bundled branches with a maximum length of 150 cm, a maximum branch diameter of 8 cm, and a maximum of 20 kg bundles may be deposited.



240 Litre, 2 Wheels



360 Litre, 2 Wheels



770 Litre, 4 Wheels



Bunch of branches  
max. 1.5 m in length max.  
8 cm in diameter per branch

**Drop-off:** From March to November garden waste will be collected. It will be picked up every two weeks according to a [route plan](#) that can be accessed under [www.geo.ur.ch](http://www.geo.ur.ch). The containers must be placed so that they are visible to the disposer personnel.

**Costs:** For private people this service is free of charge.



## Poison



- Important guidelines:**
- Poisons must not be thrown into ordinary waste or poured into the sink.
  - Opening hours of poison collecting point Eielen: Monday – Friday 8.00 until 11.45 and 13.30 until 16.00 o'clock.

**Drop-off:** Selling points are legally obliged to accept toxic residues. They can be brought to the [collecting point Eielen](#) as well.

**Poison symbols:**



**Costs:** Toxic residue under the weight of 20 kg will be accepted free of charge.

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## Glass



- Important guidelines:**
- Bottles should be disposed of according to color label (white, green and brown). Bottles colored otherwise can be thrown into the green-glass container.
  - Caps and covers need to be removed beforehand.

**Drop-off:** For the disposal of glass there are specific containers at most collecting points (check out the link [collecting points for glass](#)).

**Costs:** Glass can be returned free of charge.

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## Wood



**Important guideline:** You should not burn processed wood as it may contain additional materials/liquids.

**Drop-off:** [Collecting point Eielen](#)

**Costs:** The price is 25 Rp. / kg, on condition that wood does not contain any additional material such as nails.

## Cadaver



**Important guidelines:**

- Cadaver collecting point opens from 13.00 to 16.00 o'clock, Monday till Friday, and from 10.00 to 12.00 o'clock every Saturday.
- Disease control stipulates that cadavers cannot be disposed of with ordinary waste.

**Drop-off:** Cadavers of animals up to 200 kg can be returned to the regional collecting point. Larger cadavers will be picked up upon request (phone call).

Regional collecting point

[Giessenstrasse 44](#)

6460 Altdorf

Telefon [041 871 16 20](tel:0418711620)

**Costs:** Disposal is free of charge.

## Cardboard



**Important guidelines:** - Please flatten cardboards and return them bound with a cord.  
 - Plastic and other materials need to be removed beforehand.  
 - Material mixtures (such as Tetra Pack) cannot be recycled and thus can be thrown into ordinary waste.

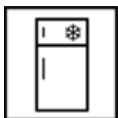
**Drop-off:** - Once every two months the ZAKU offers a pick-up service for cardboards. The specific day can be identified in the community information sheet on the ZAKU website: [information sheet](#).

- Cardboards need to be made available at 7.00 o'clock the day of collection. An alternative possibility is to return cardboards to the [collecting point Eielen](#) or one of the following recycling centers:

- [Paul Baldini AG](#)
- [Wyrsh AG](#)
- [Ziegler Recycling AG](#)

**Costs:** Pick-up is free of charge.

## Cooling devices

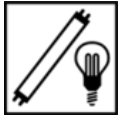


**Important guideline:** Refrigerators must be handled carefully until disposal, otherwise CFCs (fluorine-chlorine-carbon-hydrogen) can escape from the circuit. When the CFC enters the stratosphere, the ozone layer is damaged, possibly resulting in skin cancer and eye disease.

**Drop-off:** You can return them to selling points or [collecting point Eielen](#).

**Costs:** Disposal is free of charge.

## Neon tube and bulbs



**Important guidelines:** - Light bulbs can be thrown into ordinary waste.  
- Make sure you do not break neon tubes as they contain toxic mercury.

**Drop-off:** Selling or [collecting points](#).

**Costs:** No additional charges

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## Paper



**Important guideline:** Paper can be placed on the sidewalks for pick-up or it can be placed in containers at various collecting points.

**Drop-off:** [Collecting point Eielen](#) or pick-up service organised by youth associations according to the community [information sheet](#).

**Costs:** Disposal and pick-up is free of charge

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## PET



**Important guideline:** Only PET bottles can be thrown into the PET container.

**Drop-off:** PET can be returned to selling or communal collecting points. There are separate containers for PET bottles at every [collecting point](#).

**Costs:** Disposal is free of charge.

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## Bulky goods



- Important guideline:**
- Bulky material (based upon size and form) that is too big for ordinary waste must be disposed of with an adhesive called “Sperrgutmarken.”
  - This adhesive can be purchased at the local community offices.

**Sperrgutmarke klein**

Für ein sperriges Einzelstück  
75 x 40 x 30 cm / 30 kg CHF 8.-

Reglement der ZAKU:

- 1 Als Sperrgut gelten Abfälle, die wegen ihrer Form und Grösse nicht in offiziellen Gebinden nicht transportiert werden können.
- 2 Sperrgut ist in Einzelstücken oder Bündeln mit einem maximalen Ausmass von 75 cm x 40 cm x 30 cm bereitzustellen. Einzelstücke oder Bündel dürfen nicht schwerer als 30 kg sein.

Gut sichtbar aufkleben oder befestigen!

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**Sperrgutmarke gross**

Für ein sperriges Einzelstück  
150 x 50 x 50 cm / 70 x 70 x 70 cm / 30 kg CHF 14.-

Reglement der ZAKU:

- 1 Als Sperrgut gelten Abfälle, die wegen ihrer Form und Grösse in offiziellen Gebinden nicht transportiert werden können.
- 2 Sperrgut ist in Einzelstücken oder Bündeln mit einem maximalen Ausmass von 150 cm x 50 cm x 50 cm oder 70 cm x 70 cm x 70 cm bereitzustellen. Einzelstücke oder Bündel dürfen nicht schwerer als 30 kg sein.

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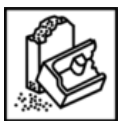
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**Drop-off:** Bulky material can be deposited next to ordinary waste as long as it does not exceed a maximal size of 150 x 50 cm and a maximal weight of 30 kg.

**Costs:** CHF 8.- or CHF 14.- (depending on the “Sperrgutmarke”)

## Styrofoam



**Important guideline:** The Baldini AG sells 500 litre bags for styrofoam waste. Further information can be obtained under the following phone number:

[041 874 50 50](tel:0418745050)

**Drop-off:** If Styrofoam is dry and without additional materials, it will be accepted by [Baldini AG](#) or [communal collecting points](#).

**Costs:** Styrofoam can be returned free of charge.

## Textiles and shoes



**Important guideline:** You should only hand in clean textiles. In addition, we ask you to bind multipart clothes and shoes together and wrap socks into each other.

**Drop-off:** [Eielen](#) or [communal collecting points](#).

**Costs:** Textiles are accepted free of charge.

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## Weapons



**Important guideline:** Opening hours of the cantonal police:  
 Monday-Friday 08.00 until 11.30 and 14.00 until 17.30.

**Drop-off:** Weapons, munition and explosive substances will be accepted by the cantonal police:

Kantonspolizei Uri

[Tellsgasse 5](#)

Altdorf

Telefon: [041 874 22 11](#)

**Costs:** Disposal of weapons is free of charge.

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