

L&S Tips for Skips Skip Hire For Domestic Use Skip Hire Guide

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When can I expect my skip?

We deliver throughout the normal working day and will do our utmost to fulfill time specific requests. A really useful tip is to have your skip delivered the day before you actually need to use it, that way it will be there ready for an early start and not subject to any delivery delay.

Delivery? Do I need to wait in for the skip delivery?

No – In almost all cases we can make the delivery without you having to wait in for us, you will have already paid for the skip and will have given us some specific instructions regarding placement and so on. If we arrive on site and have a question we will call you to confirm. We use Google mapping and a postcode navigation system to help locate the most remote addresses.



How long? If I hire a skip, how long can I keep it?

Our standard hire period is one week although we can arrange a collection sooner if you wish, please let us know within the 'other information' field. We can arrange extensions to your hire period and charge on a weekly basis.



This depends on the size of skip you need, your postcode and whether the skip will be on the public highway or private property. For a simple guide visit the <u>skip hire page</u>, make the appropriate selections and this will give you a price. Alternatively please call us on freephone 01329 840 000.



What waste can I put in my skip?

All general mixed non-hazardous waste can be placed into our skips. By this we mean waste from building, gardening, house, factory, office clearance and so on. As a 'rule of thumb' do not place anything into a skip that is likely to cause harm to humans, animals, fish or that could potentially cause environmental pollution to land, water or air. If you are unsure about the waste you have, simply <u>contact us</u> by telephone or through the 'ask a question' link and we will clarify this for you asap.



What waste should not go into my skip?

Wastes that should be excluded are hazardous or toxic, large tree roots, tyres, asbestos, paints, solvents, liquids, chemicals, TV's, computer screens, fridges and freezers, fluorescent light tubes, animal carcasses. Should you have any queries regarding the placement of waste please contact us by telephone or through the 'ask a question' link and we will clarify this for you asap.

Overloaded Skips

An overloaded skip is a hazard. The lorry may struggle to lift the skip, and your overfilled waste can be dangerous to other people as the skip is being lifted or transported. The contents of a skip should not exceed the height of the skip's sides. If your skip is overloaded, the skip lorry driver reserves the right to either remove the excess waste from the skip, or refuse to remove the skip altogether. The latter may incur a wasted journey charge.

Plasterboard? What is your position on the disposal of plasterboard and why is it banned from landfill?

One of the most popular questions we are asked surrounds the disposal of plasterboard. In simple terms YOU CAN place small amounts of plasterboard in your skip, we just need you to place it of the top of the load so that we can remove it before the skip gets tipped. If you have large amounts of plasterboard we will be happy to quote to provide skips for that sole use. Please contact us by telephone or through the 'ask the question' link and we will clarify this for you asap.

Plasterboard was banned from being land-filled with other wastes from 1st April 2009. The principal reason for this is that when land-filled with other mixed waste residues and putrefaction commences Hydrogen Sulphide is produced. We can obtain 100% recycling rates for plasterboard when it is separated upon collection.



Most people arrange for the skip to be placed on their own property – usually on the driveway. Skips that are parked on the road require a permit from your local authority, which we will arrange. The permit period is fixed (usually one week) although this can usually be extended by agreement. Local authorities charge for the issue of permits and extensions. We provide lamps and cones for safety reasons.

Liability? What happens if my property is damaged?

This is unlikely as our drivers are experienced and well trained, however we recognise that accidents can happen and we have suitable insurance cover in place.

What is covered?

Obvious accidental damage to buildings and other third party property where it is proven/agreed that our operator is at fault.

What is not covered?

Broken manhole covers, damage to underground drainage, damage to property (i.e. driveways, lawns etc) that is not constructed to highway specification, and damage to concealed overhead cables.

Please be aware that vehicles and waste containers delivered empty impact differently on the surrounding areas when they are collected full. We advise customers to think in advance about the siting of the container in relation to obstacles such as garden walls, fences, soft ground and most importantly local authority property.

Under our conditions of hire the hirer accepts responsibility for directing any vehicle from the highway onto private property. Our drivers may ask you to sign a disclaimer if they have any concern over the siting conditions. With regard to liability we have a duty to be as clear as possible to our clients in your interests and ours. We hold \pounds 10,000,000 public liability insurance.





All waste is processed using our modern plant and equipment and recycled for further use.

Wood

Wood is sorted into different categories and chipped to supply the panel board industry. L&S also provide woodchip to various waste to energy plants where the recovered wood is used to generate electricity.

Rigid Plastic

Rigid plastics are an everyday item, for example plastic chairs, tables, children's toys, and form just a small section of the various products and different categories of plastic in daily use. Where plastic waste occurs L&S recover and bale these products for granulating and remanufacture.

Plastic Film

At L&S we also separate plastic films which are mainly recovered from packaging. This material, consisting of both plain and mixed colours, is baled and transported to specialist plastic recyclers within the UK.





Steel

At L&S we utilise powerful electro-magnets to extract steel from the recovery process. Steel is then dispatched a specialist metal processing plant for shredding and cleaning before continuing its journey to the smelting works in the UK and abroad.

UPVC Windows

UPVC windows and doors contain recoverable plastics and metals. Some 30 years on from their initial installations many UPVC window products are being replaced by modern more efficient units. Once recovered these products are shredded to separate the metal and UPVC and are reprocessed into new product.

Cardboard & Paper

Card and paper products are separated manually and mechanically and are sent to specialist processing mills in the UK.

Glass

L&S Aggregates division provide a 100% recycled, crushed and processed glass grit. Used as an alternative to marine or land won material, glass grit is manufactured from recycled mixed coloured glass bottles.

Plasterboard

Legislation prohibits the landfill of gypsum based products with other mixed active wastes as the decomposition process causes the release of hydrogen sulphide gas. L&S collect and separate plasterboard and once any non gypsum based material is removed the resultant material is sent for remanufacture into fresh plasterboard and into agricultural applications.

Concrete & Hardcore

Broken concrete, hardcore and masonry wastes continually arise. L&S collect, transport, screen and crush these materials using efficient, modern technology. The result is the production of top grade recycled aggregate.





Soils

At L&S the soil we collect is graded and screened to provide various different products. L&S soils can be used for a variety of applications from simple bunds to golf course construction and general landscape works.

Green Waste

All green waste is collectively separated for onward transport to specialist compost manufacturers, L&S in turn take back some of this composted material to blend with and to improve the nutrient qualities of our recycled soils.

RDF Refuse Derived Fuels

Once all processing has taken place waste residues remain that cannot be practically recovered into single commodities. These waste residues can be screened and shredded to produce a light 'flock' generally known as RDF (Refuse Derived Fuel). This material can then be delivered to various waste to energy plants assisting in the production of power generation.

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Be sure to get the right size skip. It's better to over-estimate than under-estimate the size you need.

- Mini skip hire is usually fine when re-decorating, doing minor building work or removing lots of garden waste, such as soil, turf and felled trees.
- For small amounts of domestic waste there are some **good alternatives to skip hire**, and you may be able to cope with something smaller like a <u>caged van</u> to take it all away for you (this can be ideal if you do not have any space for a skip).
- **4** To prevent wasted space **break down large bulky items** into smaller pieces.
- 5 Make sure you know where your skip will be placed and obtain the relevant permissions first.
 - A standard skip lorry requires a **minimum of 10ft (3.3metres) width to gain access**, regardless of what size skip you have ordered.
 - As a general rule, any skip larger than 8 cubic yards is NOT suitable for heavy waste types.
- 8 Before you finalise your order **establish when you actually require the skip** on site. You need to consider the maximum hire period of 7 days.
- 9 If you know the skip **MUST** be removed by a certain date, it is critical that the collection is booked when ordering the skip hire.
- **10** For quick and easy skip hire order your skip <u>online</u>.