

Why you should dispose of sanitary waste responsibly...

If your company has any female employees, or if women from other companies visit your premises, you should consider providing them with the means to dispose of sanitary waste ethically and legally. Here are three reasons why.

1. You may be breaking the law if you don't provide a sanitary waste disposal bin. The 'Duty of Care' Act demands that sanitary waste is managed to the point of disposal. Waste must be carried by a licensed carrier and a full audit trail of documentation must be available at all times. Failure to comply can lead to a hefty fine or even imprisonment.
This applies to all commercial premises, even if only one female is employed. This regulation is further endorsed by the Water Industries Act 1991, which states that no items should be flushed that could cause a blockage within the sewer or drain.
2. You could save yourself an expensive drain clearing bill. There is no such thing as a soluble sanitary towel or tampon. Flushing them away can – and often does – result in blocked drains meaning added costs for your business.
3. Responsible disposal of sanitary waste helps the environment. In an Environment Agency Survey of 452 river and canal sites, 34% were found to be polluted with sewerage-derived litter such as sanitary towels.

You can help make sure your company doesn't contribute to this problem by installing a sanitary bin for female employees and visitors to ensure your waste is disposed of properly.

How you can ensure your waste is disposed of ethically and effectively

The best way is to employ the services of a quality contractor to remove your waste for you. Breakspear is one of many companies offering this type of assistance and our sanitary bin service is well established. Here is a brief outline of what to expect.

Our fully trained service personnel will deliver your brand new slimline sanitary bin. The slimline, grey plastic unit comes with a foot pedal operation for no touch hygiene control and a courtesy chute for quick and efficient towel or tampon disposal. A proprietary bactericidal powder is placed inside the unit to help eliminate malodours that build up over time in heavy usage areas.

Our fully trained personnel cleanse and sanitise the bins on each service visit leaving you a waste transfer document detailing what the waste type is and when it was taken for safe disposal. This document is then signed by our service personnel and countersigned by you, or an authorised member of your staff. You must keep a copy of this document for 2 years while we keep a copy on your behalf for 7 years.

Don't run the risk breaking the law or damaging the environment. Dispose of your sanitary waste properly.

Summary

At Breakspear we offer national coverage and you'll benefit from efficient waste removal, low transportation costs and environmentally friendly waste disposal.

What's more, at Breakspear we incinerate your waste, at no extra charge, instead of opting for cheaper disposal on landfill sites.

That means you can relax, knowing you are helping to reduce the environmental impact of global waste disposal. With no tie in contracts and easy exit terms, you'll get better service and peace of mind with Breakspear, not to mention exceptional value for money.



Pedal operated sanitary bin

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