

Separate collections in Switzerland

Which type of waste?	Legal basis (Ordinance)?	How are collection and recycling financed?	Amount of the fee?	Who is responsible for the financing?	Who collects and transports?	Where can it be disposed of?
Paper and cardboard	None	Voluntary solution: Framework agreement between local associations and recyclers	Varies according to municipality, quality and collection quantity 10, 20, 40 oder 50 CHF/t	Municipalities	Municipalities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Municipal recycling centres • Public waste collections
Glass containers	OBC ¹ (Prescriptions concerning the prepaid disposal fee and the recycling quota)	Prepaid disposal fee ⁴	CHF 0.02, 0.04 or 0.06 per bottle	VetroSwiss	Municipalities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Municipal recycling centres • Public waste collections
Electrical and electronic appliances	ORDEE ³ (Obligation to return)	Voluntary solution: Prepaid recycling fee ⁵	Varies according to appliance type	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SWICO (office and IT equipment, consumer electronics) • S.E.N.S (household appliances) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SWICO • S.E.N.S 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sales outlets (obligation to take back) • In some cases at municipal collection points
Fluorescent lamps	ORDEE ³ (Obligation to return)	Voluntary solution: Prepaid recycling fee ⁵	According to type	SLRS Swiss Lighting Recycling Foundation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SLRS • S.E.N.S 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sales outlets (obligation to take back) • In some cases at municipal collection points
PET-beverage containers	OBC ¹ (Prescribed recovery rate, subsidiary obligation to take back)	Voluntary solution: Prepaid recycling fee ⁵	CHF 0.18 per bottle	PET-Recycling Schweiz	PET-Recycling Schweiz	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Containers at sales outlets and in some cases at municipal recycling centres
Tin cans	None	Voluntary solution: Prepaid recycling fee ⁵	CHF 0.01 per can	FERRO-Recycling	Municipalities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public waste collections (mostly together with aluminium)
Aluminium packagings, aluminium beverage cans	OBC ¹ (Prescribed recovery rate and subsidiary obligation to take back for aluminium beverage containers)	Voluntary solution: Prepaid recycling fee ⁵	CHF 0.02 per can, CHF 0.01 per tube and and petfood trays	IGORA- Co-operative for for Aluminium-Recycling	Municipalities IGORA (beverage cans)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public waste collections • Crushers for cans at well-frequented places of purchase and consumption
Batteries	ORRChim ² (Prescribed recovery rate, obligation to return)	Prepaid disposal fee ⁴	CHF 3.20 per kg of batteries	INOBAT Recycling Organization	Retailers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sales outlets (obligation to take back) • In some cases at municipal recycling centres
Cars	None	Voluntary solution: Prepaid recycling fee ⁵ for disposal of ASR ⁶	Suspended for the moment (until 2006 CHF 30)	SARS Autorecycling Foundation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Car retailers, garages 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Retailers • Scrap metal dealers

¹ Ordinance on Beverage Containers

² Ordinance on the reduction of risks linked to chemical products, Annex 2.15

³ Ordinance on the return, the taking back and the disposal of electrical and electronic equipment

⁴ The prepaid disposal fee is mandatory and legally regulated

⁵ The prepaid recycling fee is levied on the basics of a voluntary convention signed by the industry concerned

⁶ Auto shredder residue