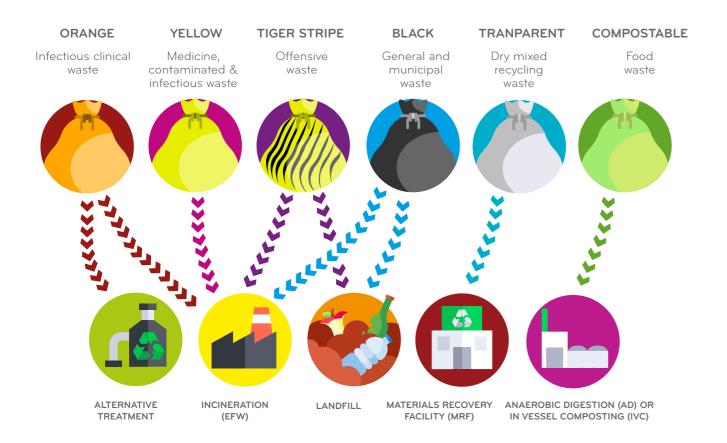
SEPERATING WASTE

The standardised colour for waste bags is typically black and often used for general domestic waste, however refuse sacks can be supplied in an array of colours and transparency.

The colour of the bag typically depends on the type of waste or situation. For example, some local authorities offer free coloured bags to their residents to segregate specific waste streams and increase recycling rates and quality. Coloured bags are also often used for litter picking and street cleaning, the colour of the bag will help indicate this is litter picked waste and not fly-tipped waste.

For waste that needs to be analysed or is prone to contamination, often transparent or clear natural sacks are used so the customer or collector can see the contents. It will help detect and remove any item that has been wrongfully captured.



Batteries should be treated separately with their terminals taped over in their own bag. Industrial batteries, automotive batteries or batteries with trailing wires should be taken to your nearest Household Waste Recycling Centre.



Some local authorities and businesses opt to have a printed bag to display a message or instructions. These are very popular for organisations who supply recycling bags to residents, often printing the items which are accepted in the bags and instructions on how to handle waste. Some also print their logo so the waste origins can be identified and retraced.