### Department of the Environment

## Our Waste





#### What is waste???



Waste, rubbish, trash, garbage, or junk is unwanted or undesired material/stuff.

Almost everything we do creates waste...





has not been disposed of properly

#### **So...**

PLEASE put your litter in the bin!

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## Disposing of our waste

There are seven routes that cover the whole of Gibraltar and collection of waste is undertaken daily, 6 days a week





#### Recycling our household waste

#### In Los Barrios...

Our waste is sorted using manual and automatic sorting processes...

...to recover paper, plastics and metals with the organic component being composted in a covered shed to provide a commercial compost product.

## Separate your waste!

Not all your waste should go in the kitchen bin!!!



**Batteries** - Morrisons Supermarket, Environment Agency, Westside School, Sacred Heart School, Bayside School & South District Post Office.

Bulky Items & Paint - Buena Vista (Gibraltar Community Projects).

Waste Oil - Slop Oil Reception & Treatment North Mole.

Electronic & Electrical Equipment – A location is being arranged for the collection of all these items....so again, keep your eyes and ears open!

#### Glass and Cans – Bins around Gibraltar





#### Reduce

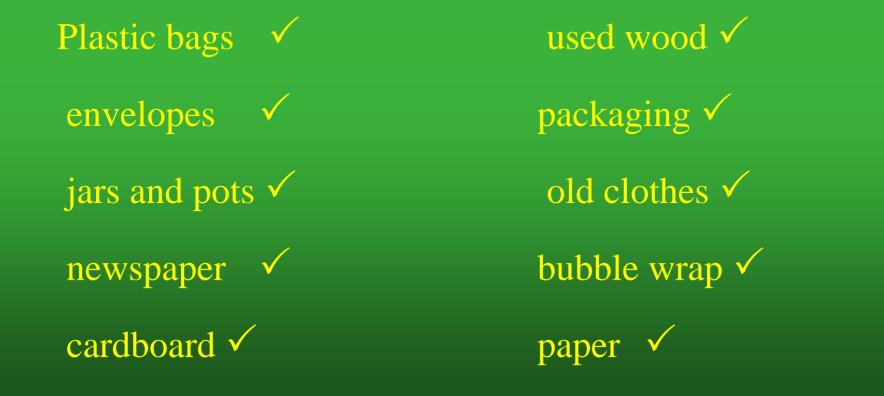
The average person in Gibraltar disposes over 750kg of waste per year!!

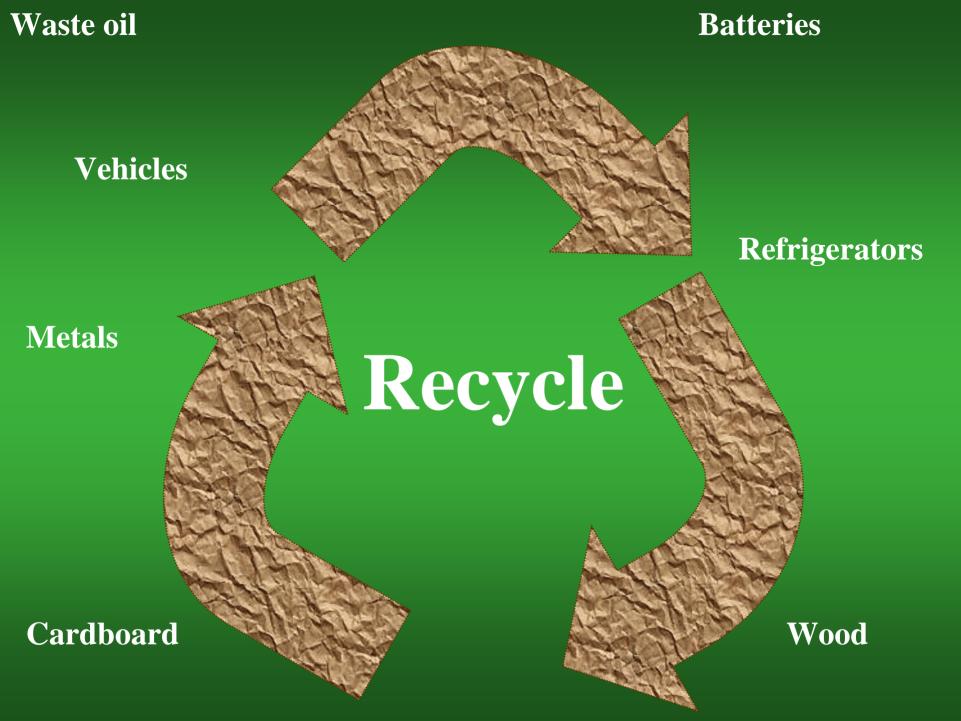
#### Tips on reducing the amount of waste

- Use both sides of paper when photocopying
- •Re-use envelopes or send an email instead
- Reuse plastic bags
- Flat pack boxes and cartons

#### Re-use

Once an object has become waste, it will remain waste until it has been fully recovered and no longer poses a potential threat to the environment or to human health





#### What can you do?

Get Busting, Litter Busting!!!

At school, in the street, wherever you go

Educate people

Teach your family and friends to:

- 1. Separate their waste, take items to their proper disposal points
- 2. Reduce waste volumes, flat pack etc
- 3. Reuse and recycle as many items as possible

# Thank you...

and remember,
its OUR
environment, its
OUR
responsibility!



