



The 5R's of managing waste

What are the 5R's of managing waste?

The "5R's" represent Refuse, Reduce, Reuse, Repurpose and Recycle.

Why are the 5R's important?

The 5R's help us manage waste more effectively.

The 5R can be practiced by everyone at home or work to reduce the amount of waste in our environment (e.g. landfill, lagoon, beaches, etc)

1. What can I do to Refuse?



You can practice by refusing to purchase or use products that will be harmful to the ecosystem. E.g. use tote shopping bags instead of plastic bags.

2. What can I do to Reduce?



You can reduce purchasing and the use of non-recyclable products to save money and to protect the environment. E.g. Reduce printing on paper.

3. What can I do to Reuse and Recycle?



You can reuse by investing in re-usable products. E.g. Re-useable coffee cups, bottles, bags, etc.

4. What can I do to Re-purpose?



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You can be innovative by creating new ways of using products for other purposes or upcycling. E.g. re-purpose empty boxes by donating them to the farmers for their taro

5. What can I do to Recycle?



Lastly, recycle your waste by sorting into correct disposal bins/containers for collection day.

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