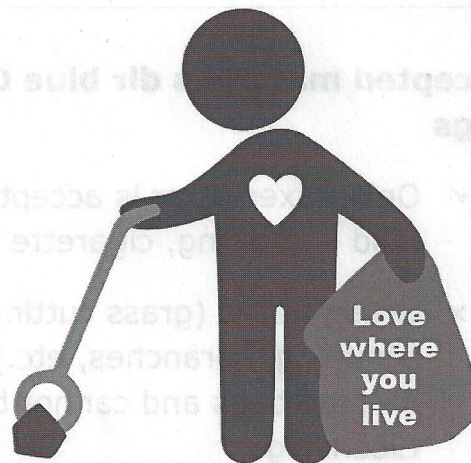


Community Clean-up Guidelines

- Prior to undertaking any work - inspect the area and undertake a risk assessment (identify anything that may cause harm to any participants).
- Please think carefully about the location of your litter pick and ensure that all participants understand the need to act in a safe manner. There should be a safety briefing before all clean-ups especially for any new participants.
- Avoid direct contact with litter at all times, please use the litterpickers provided and do not touch anything with your hands.
- Weil's disease is a form of a bacterial infection also known as Leptospirosis that is carried by animals, most commonly rats and cattle. It can be caught by humans through contact with rat or cattle urine, most commonly occurring through contaminated fresh water.
- Be aware of your environment and do not put yourself at risk whilst picking litter, this is especially important near roads. Always wear a high visibility vest, be aware of traffic at all times and stop picking to allow any vehicle to pass. Do not pick when visibility is poor and only pick in daylight hours.
- Wear sturdy shoes or boots and weather appropriate clothing.
- Do not pick up any items that cannot easily be identified or where they are clearly hazardous such as asbestos or needles. Report them to the Council on 01-2054700.
- Do not attempt to remove dead animals or animal faeces.
- Do not attempt to pick up any large or potentially heavy items such as gas bottles or canisters.
- Ensure any cuts or abrasions are clean and covered with a waterproof plaster.
- Clean hands thoroughly before eating food or drinking.
- Never enter the water when working in canal or river clean-ups. Never work on your own. Always ensure that a number of people are with you when cleaning canals or river.
- Please do not overfill bin bags.
- Persons under 18 should be supervised at all times.



Community Clean-up Guidelines

Accepted materials dlr blue Community Clean-up bags

- ✓ Only mixed litter is accepted. Typical litter includes food packaging, cigarette butts, bottles and cans.
- × Green waste (grass cuttings, leaves, hedge trimmings, branches, etc.) cannot be placed into dlr blue bags and cannot be collected by Cleansing.
- × Household waste cannot be placed into the dlr blue bags



Organising a collection

Once you have decided on a Community Clean-up date please notify the Council by

- **Phone:** 01-2054700
- **Email:** info@dlrcoco.ie

Please confirm where and when you will be leaving the blue Community Clean-up bags of litter. Our Cleansing crew will endeavour to collect the litter as soon as possible.

