

New Forest District Council

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Coronavirus: Storing waste advice

Please see below for public advice on storing waste - would be grateful for any sharing of this information you are able to do (it is on our facebook and twitter also) :

Advice on how to store your rubbish for anyone with confirmed or possible Coronavirus or if you are self-isolating (COVID-19): 16/03/2020

- Double bag all waste that contains tissues
- Do not put it out for collection for at least 72 hours

Double bag: Personal waste (such as used tissues and disposable cleaning cloth) should be stored separately to other waste, put in a rubbish bag and then put into a second bag / black sack. This should be tied and kept separate from other waste in the room/s in which you are self-isolating.

Keep aside for at least 72 hours: Do not put it out for collection for at least 3 days. As an example, if you have filled/tied a bag on a Monday and your collection is due on a Thursday, that bag can be put out for collection on Thursday morning. However, if you have filled/tied a bag on a Monday and your collection is due on a Wednesday, you would need to hold onto that bag until your collection day the following week.

Other household waste can be disposed of as normal.

This advice is based on guidance from central government, designed to prevent transmission of the virus.

NFDC service updates are being added to our website:

<http://newforest.gov.uk/article/19348/Coronavirus-Information-about-council-services>