



# Waste Manager





## University

A degree in Waste Management or similar is often preferred. Other relevant subjects include:

Biological or Biochemical Sciences Chemical and Physical Sciences Civil, Structural or Mechanical Engineering Earth Sciences Environmental Science Geography and/or Geology

Entry is possible with an HND in a waste management, environmental protection or a subject related to environmental management.

There is no standard route into this role, although most new entrants are graduates

#### Entry requirements:

You will usually need A Levels or equivalent, some universities may suggest a Science, Maths or Geography depending on your preferred degree subject

## Apprenticeship

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For details about a new waste management apprenticeship scheme, see Chartered Institute of Wastes Management (CIWM) - Apprenticeships

#### Other routes

Entry requirements have changed in recent years, due to specific waste management courses and an increase in environmental qualifications. While direct entry is common, some people move into this profession after working in the construction, haulage or quarrying industries or by specialising from a wider environmental role within a large organisation



## Career path and progression

Careers in the field have become increasingly structured, often attracting graduates with environmental degrees and an interest in waste management. Promotion can lead to the role of team leader within a local authority. You can then progress to become area manager or head of waste management.

# Day to Day tasks

Your duties could include:

- formulate and control budgets
- oversee waste management
- schemes, such as at landfill sites
- supervise the safe transportation of waste
- assist in new waste disposal schemes
- ensure compliance with current legislation
- collate statistics and compile reports often to strict deadlines
- monitor the quality and performance of waste services, including external providers
- assist with the development of information and promotional materials
- aim to meet waste reduction and recycling targets
- deal with enquiries and complaints from members of the public
- investigate and follow up claims of the illegal dumping of waste and work with other waste regulation enforcement staff to find solutions
- consult with residents, community groups, councillors, housing associations and traders' associations about waste management issues and provide appropriate solutions

Working condition

Much of the work is office based, although the job also involves visiting contractors and facilities

# Labour Market Information



Waste disposal and environmental services managers

Weekly Pay Annual Pay £920 £47,840 Hours/Week Hourly Pay 53h £17

Workforce Change (projected)

Replacement Growth 3.6% 69.2%

The workforce is projected to grow by 3.6% over the period to 2027, creating 600 jobs. In the same period, 69.2% of the workforce is projected

to retire, creating 11,500 job openings

You might find this job in Waste management Wholesale trade

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#### Refuse and salvage occupations

Weekly Pay Annual Pay £460 £23,920 Hours/Week Hourly Pay 38h £12

#### Workforce Change (projected)

Growth Replacement 0.2% 63.6%

The workforce is projected to grow by 0.2% over the period to 2027, creating 100 jobs. In the same period, 63.6% of the workforce is projected to retire, creating 27,500 job openings.

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Waste management Employment activities Wholesale trade Public admin. & defence Services to buildings

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#### Conservation and environmental associate professionals

Weekly Pay Annual Pay £470 £24,440 Hours/Week Hourly Pay 36h £13

#### Workforce Change (projected)

Replacement Growth 5% 49.8%

The workforce is projected to grow by 5% over the period to 2027, creating 500 jobs. In the same period, 49.8% of the workforce is projected to retire, creating 5,200 job openings.

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# Labour Market Information

#### Waste disposal and environmental services managers

Waste disposal and environmental services managers plan, organise, direct and co-ordinate the operations and development of waste disposal and related environmental services facilities within private firms or public authorities.

#### Common tasks in this job:

- determines staffing, financial, material and other short- and long-term requirements;
- manages and delegates tasks to staff and coordinates the maintenance and optimum utilisation of waste disposal and related equipment to provide an efficient service;
- monitors levels of waste disposal, recycling and related environmental services, compiles statistics and produces reports;
- liaises with members of the local community to educate and promote the concept of recycling and appropriate waste management;

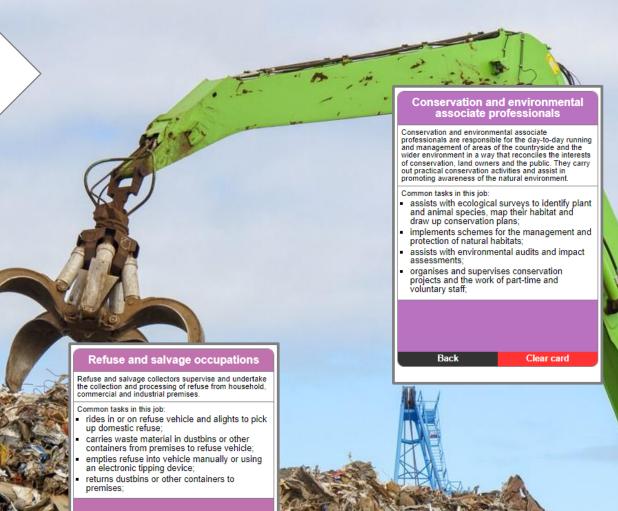
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Why Study Environmental Science at University?



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Top 8 jobs in Environmental Science



ttps://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fctCgbg1la/

Job of a Waste Management Officer



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Running a Recycling Plant



https://www.youtube.com/watch?y=OyOncDlgsD

### **Useful Websites**

Apprenticeships (ciwm.co.uk) https://www.cimspa.co.uk/

Environmental Management and Sustainability at University of Plymouth – UCAS

Waste management officer job profile | Prospects.ac.uk

Waste Management Courses (ciwm.co.uk)

Geography at Nottingham Trent University – UCAS

Waste Management Jobs, Recycling Jobs & Waste Jobs in the UK (wastejobsuk.com)

Environmental management jobs | Environmentjob.co.uk