

Factoria Recycling and Transfer Station



FACT SHEET

13800 SE 32nd Street
Bellevue, Washington 98005
kingcounty.gov/factoria

Transfer Station hours of operation

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
6:30am-4pm	6:30am-4pm	6:30am-4pm	6:30am-4pm	6:30am-4pm	8:30am-5:30pm	8:30am-5:30pm

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) hours of operation

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Closed	8am-4pm	8am-4pm	8am-4pm	8am-4pm	9am-5pm	9am-5pm

Closed on Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day

Overview

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The Factoria Transfer Station is located in a light industrial area northeast of the intersection of Interstate 90 and Interstate 405 in the City of Bellevue. The station includes a dedicated building for collection of household hazardous waste and offers a wide array of recycling services. It primarily serves residents and businesses from the Bellevue, Issaquah, Mercer Island, and Sammamish areas.

Vehicle length limits

40 feet. Max combined length limit for vehicles and trailers from bumper to bumper.

What happens to the waste?

The waste is transported by county employees in covered trailers from Factoria to the Cedar Hills Regional Landfill, 18 miles away.

What happens to recyclable materials?

Recyclable materials are separated by type and distributed to local, national or international markets for processing into recycled content products. Only materials that are empty, clean and dry when collected are acceptable for recycling. Reusable materials (textiles) are donated to local non-profits.

Notable features

- The flat floor design improves the efficiency and flexibility of our operations, and makes it easier to check for materials that need to be recycled, such as cardboard, scrap metal, yard waste, and clean wood.
- The recycling drop-off area is located inside the transfer station building where there are designated areas or marked recycling bins for each type of material accepted.
- A separate area is designated for yard waste and clean wood.
- The new Moderate Risk Waste building has advanced environmental control features including spill containment and an innovative ventilation system that reduces employee exposure to vapors during fuel collection.



New transfer building has large self-haul customer unloading areas



Commercial customer unloading area



Fluorescent lights and other mercury-containing bulbs and tubes are collected as hazardous waste

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- This facility includes many sustainable design features such as:
 - An enclosed solid waste transfer building which minimizes noise, dust, and odors
 - Translucent wall panels, skylights, and solar tubes make natural daylight the primary light source, reducing energy demand.
 - A conference room with cabinets manufactured locally in Tacoma made almost exclusively of recycled content materials and rapidly renewable eucalyptus.
 - Rainwater harvesting, low-flow fixtures, and drought tolerant landscaping choices save 1.3 million gallons of water a year.



Aerial view of the Shoreline Transfer Station

Awards and recognition

The Northwest Construction Consumer Council awarded Factoria the Green Project for Innovation in Sustainability award.

Solid Waste Association of North America awarded Gold Excellence Award for Transfer Stations to Factoria.

American Council of Engineering Consultants gave Factoria a 2018 National Recognition Award and a Silver Environmental award.

American Academy of Environmental Engineers and Scientists honored Factoria with an Industrial Waste Practice award

Associated General Contractors of Washington awarded PCL Construction Services a Construction Excellence award for their work.

2023 at a glance

Who are the customers?

80 percent of visits were made by self-haul customers, who contributed 17 percent of the total solid waste received at the station. Commercial customers contributed 83 percent of the total solid waste with 20 percent of the visits.

Tons of solid waste disposed

143,419. This constitutes 18 percent of solid waste at all King County transfer stations.

Total customer visits

110,556

HHW services provided

The station offers collection services for hazardous waste products commonly used in homes and small businesses. Materials accepted include batteries (household, vehicle, or marine), thermostats, thermometers, mercury-containing light bulbs and tubes, oil-based paints, thinners and solvents, motor oil, propane and butane tanks, household cleaners, lawn and garden products, glues and adhesives, automotive products, antifreeze, flammable liquids, and marine and road flares. Wastes collected through these services are recycled, reused, or incinerated when necessary. None of the collected household hazardous waste materials is disposed at the Cedar Hills Regional Landfill. *Note: This service is available for households and pre-approved small quantity generators only.*

2021 Recycling Tonnage

Cardboard	Mixed Paper	Mixed Container	Glass	Metal	Yard Waste	Clean Wood	CFC Appliances	Textiles	Total
312	53	14	30	1,235	2,680	417	236	15	5,169

Recycling services

- Appliances
- Bicycles and bicycle parts
- Cardboard
- Mercury-containing light bulbs and tubes
- Scrap metal*
- Textiles
- Wood (clean, untreated)*
- Yard waste*
- The following can be combined in the large blue "Recyclable Materials" containers, must be empty, clean and dry:
 - Paper, including office paper, junk mail, envelopes, newspapers, magazines, catalogs, paper food boxes, cartons such as milk, juice and broth cartons, paper cups if securely tied in clear plastic bags, and hard and paperback books
 - Cans (aluminum, tin, steel)
 - Glass bottles and jars
 - Plastic bottles, cups, jugs, tubs, pots, food containers, clamshells, trays
 - Lids (3 inches or more)

* These materials must be recycled at facilities that accept these materials for recycling.

Alternate formats on request

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