

Instructions for Litter Survey and Pick

Each team will have 5 or 6 pupils

- 1 pupil carrying tally sheet, map, pen and clipboard
- 1 pupil carrying blue bag for recyclates
- 1 pupil carrying black bag in handihoop for rubbish
- 2 or 3 pupils carrying litter pickers

All team members should have gloves and tabards and must wear the gloves when litter picking or carrying bags. All team members should take turns at the different jobs.

1. Look at the map to make sure you know the area that you are going to survey. If in doubt ask an adult.
2. Walk up and down your area looking for items of litter. Make sure they are recorded on the tally sheet before being picked up.
3. On your tally sheet record how many bins are in the area, a grade for the area (A, B, C, D), types of litter found, Comments about what can be done to improve the area.
4. Mark where you have found the litter on your map with a cross.
5. Mark any litter bins on your map with a circle.
6. Make sure you have surveyed your area completely and picked up all the litter before you finish.
7. Weigh the bag of rubbish collected in your area and record the weight on your tally sheet.
8. Collect cans, plastic bottles and glass bottles (only whole bottles- not broken glass) in the blue bag for recycling.
9. Record the total number and weight of bags or rubbish and recyclate collected.

Important Safety Information

- The team must stay together
- All litter pickers must wear gloves
- Litter should only be picked up using the litter pickers - DO NOT USE YOUR HANDS even though you have gloves they will not protect you from anything sharp
- Do not pick up anything sharp or heavy as this could burst the bag or cut someone.
- Report any dangerous items such as needles or broken glass to an adult who will arrange for the item to be picked up separately.