

Thammasat University Notification of Policy on Solid Waste Management

As Thammasat University has issued a policy on environmental management, solid waste management is a goal in advancing Thammasat University toward becoming a sustainable university. For proper, systematic, and effective waste management within Thammasat University, policy on solid waste management is hereby issued for students, staff, store owners, as well as individuals who perform other activities that create garbage or waste materials within the area of Thammasat University, as follows:

- (1) Sort waste into the following categories:
 - (1.1) Recyclable waste
 - (1.2) Organic waste, leaves, twigs, weeds, food scraps
 - (1.3) General waste
 - (1.4) Chemical waste and hazardous waste
 - (1.5) Infectious waste

and track the amount of waste created in each building, agency, and activity as much as possible to compare the occurrence of each type of waste at various times during the academic year, which will reflect the waste generation behavior of users in each area.

(2) Reduce the use of all types of single-use disposable plastic, such as plastic bags, food-grade plastic bags, plastic cups, plastic bottles, plastic straws, and plastic forks, spoons and containers, as well as minimize the amount of single-use disposable waste or reuse it until its end of life.

- (3) Encourage students and staff to use packaging or containers that are environmentally friendly or reusable, such as water bottles, food storage containers, and cloth bags.
- (4) Canteens, restaurants, coffee shops and other beverage stands responsible under either the University, faculties, or other agencies shall sort waste and reduce or eliminate the use of single-use disposable plastic cups and straws as well as plastic bags.
- (5) Flea markets at Thammasat University, whether in common areas or those belonging to each agency shall sort waste and reduce or eliminate the use of single-use disposable plastic.
- (6) The University will need to be able to track and check the method of waste disposal during waste delivery to the disposal destination to note the amount of each type of waste that has been recycled and the amount of waste that has been taken to landfill, so that the University can appropriately promote activities that help increase waste recycling and reduce waste going to landfills.
- (7) Management of hazardous waste must follow proper methods for collection, quantity tracking, and delivery to disposal in order to reduce the potential harm to the environment and people who live in the area of the University.
- (8) In the selection process of public procurement or service contract with the University, the University may use the waste management policy of each company as a factor in the selection criteria so that all activities of the company partners that are performed within the area of the University will be consistent with the solid waste management policy of the University.
- (9) Management processes shall involve the participation of all related individuals and students to encourage cooperation and awareness in waste management of students, staff, and related individuals by organizing awareness campaigns on waste sorting, canal cleaning projects, and big cleaning days.

(10) Participation of the community in waste management will be promoted to encourage cooperation in waste management between Thammasat University and the community.

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