

**Pilot Scheme on Municipal Solid Waste Charging:  
Operational details**

**Charging options under trial**

	<b>Estate</b>	<b>Participating Blocks (No. of Units)</b>	<b>“Weight-based by Buildings”</b>	<b>“Volume-based by Buildings”</b>	<b>“Volume-based by Households”</b>
1.	Amoy Gardens	4 Blocks, 1024 Units	*	*	*
2.	Chai Wan Estate	2 Blocks, about 1,600 Units	*		*
3.	Chun Seen Mei Chuen	2 Blocks, about 500 Units		*	
4.	Island Resort	4 Blocks, about 1,550 Units	*	*	*
5.	Kwong Tin Estate	4 Blocks, about 2,500 Units	*	*	*
6.	Tak Tin Estate	4 Blocks, about 2,650 Units	*	*	*
7.	The Orchards	2 Blocks, 442 Units		*	
	<b>Total</b>	<b>22 Blocks, about 10000 households</b>	<b>5 estates</b>	<b>6 estates</b>	<b>5 estates</b>

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- **“Weight-based by Buildings”**: The property management company (PMC) will pay a mock waste charge based on the weight of waste disposed of by the whole building so as to provide incentives to the estate and residents for waste reduction. With reference to the prevailing charging level in Taipei City, the mock charge is \$500 per tonne.

- **“Volume-based by Buildings”**: The PMC will pay a waste charge based on the volume of waste (in terms of the number of refuse collection bins that have been filled) disposed of by the whole building. With reference to the prevailing charging level in Taipei City, the mock charge is \$66 per bin (with a volume of 660 litres).
- **“Volume-based by Households”**: Individual households will purchase designated garbage bags (in three sizes - 5 litre, 10 litre or 15 litre) and use them for waste disposal. With reference to the prevailing charging level in Taipei City, we recommend to price the bags at \$0.1 per litre on average.

Note: The aforementioned mock charge will NOT be part of government revenues. Given that the prevailing household waste disposal is on average 0.88 kilograms per person per day, a three-member household will have to pay a monthly mock charge of about \$40. There will be savings with waste reduction.

### **Support Services**

The EPD has appointed service contractors to provide the participating estates with the necessary support services. Such services include the enhancement of recycling support within the estates, free supply of designated garbage bags, daily measurement of waste disposal and amount of recyclables, monitoring of compliance within the estates, analysis and reporting on trends of waste disposal and mock charges, provision of publicity and environmental education as well as carrying out of opinion surveys. Upon the conclusion of the pilot scheme, the EPD will compile a report to summarize the results and experience. The EPD will also update the SDC on latest developments so that the SDC may accordingly draw up specific recommendations on the operational details.