

RUBBISH TIP

Various changes, actions and negotiations meant that information was constantly changing from one day to the next. The Mairie decided not to keep communicating until things had settled once more, but we can now finally bring you up to date.

The last surprise occurred on the afternoon of 29 August, three hours before the planned public meeting. The Communauté de Communes Région Lézignanaise, Corbières et Minervois (CCRLCM) that continuing to use the tip at **Lézignan** was going to cost **50€** per person/per year, and not the **27€** currently paid. The other possibilities were to use **Raissac**, **Pépieux** ou **Puichéric** pour **33€** per person/per year. The law Nouvelle Organisation Territoriale de la République (NOTRe) states that people should be within fifteen minutes of a rubbish tip that is made available to them. The tips at Pépieux and Puichéric are 12.9 and 16.8 km respectively, that is 19 and 18 minutes by road from our village. Raissac is 11.7km, about 14mn from Argens.



At the public meeting, after explanations on the Law NOTRe, the new responsibilities of the communities of communes, and therefore to the CCRLCM, particularly in the field of waste management, a debate commenced.

Various villagers expressed their disquiet about the closure of the rubbish pound in Argens. However, it was explained that the law is the same all over France, and no amount of protest would affect the rules that require closure of such sites, let alone be successful in them being

reopened. Others present raised questions about logistics and transport for these trips, while others suggested possible solutions.

The council explained that they were required to give inform the CCRLCM of their choice on 30 August, and the mayor therefore proposed a vote of the sixty or so villagers who were present.

Raissac got the unanimous vote. The CCRLCM this as the choice of Argens-Minervois, adding the following additional information.

From 3 September 2018, the inhabitants of Argens-Minervois have access to the rubbish tip at

RAISSAC

Route de Raissac

Open every afternoon,

Monday-Saturday, from 13.30h to 17.30h



Individuals :

All users must comply with the rules and instructions of the agents of the Grand Narbonne. The site at **Raissac** is to be used for **DEEE (see below)**, **bulky goods** and **vegetation**, up to a limit of **1³m weekly**. **There is no need for an access card.**

Tariff : 33 €/year/person, for those subject to Taxe d'Enlèvement d'Ordures Ménagères (TEOM) 2019, which will replace the costs of 27€/year/person applied under the previous system. This constitutes an increase of 6€/year/person

DEEE ou D3E (d'Equipements Electriques et Electroniques des ménages) are:

Large appliances (washing machines, dishwashers, ovens) or small appliances (hairdryers, vacuum cleaners), IT equipment (computers, printers, telephones), tools (drills, sanders, mowers), entertainment equipment (hi-fi, television, playstations, consoles), surveillance equipment (alarms, smoke detectors), solar panels, ...



Note : When you buy a new device, the vendor is obliged to take back the old one free of charge, however the new appliance is purchased: in store or delivered.

Regarding small disposable appliances :

- **up to 25 cm** : even if you have not made a purchase, any vendor with a sales area of at least 400 m² is required to

take back your used equipment measuring less than 25 cm.

+ more than 25 cm : regarding bulky apparatus not replacing another - these have to be taken to a dump.

Bulky goods

Very bulky items (eg furniture too large for a car or trailer), can be removed by our village agents, by contacting the Mairie. Anything else must be transported by you to Raissac.



Large quantities of garden plant rubbish only should be

disposed of at **Mirepeisset**, which has a garden waste shredding facility, so that the respective disposal area at Raissac is not overloaded too quickly. **The burning of green waste and all other general household waste is prohibited in open areas.**

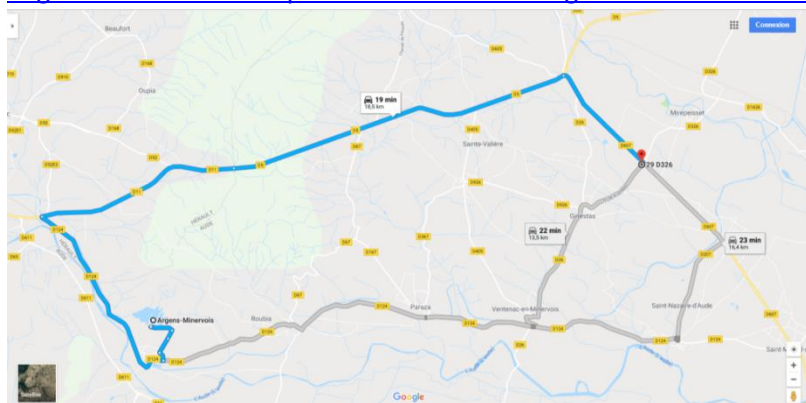
Opening hours at Mirepeisset:

from Monday to Saturday 9.00-12.00h and 13.30-17.30h

Professionals/trade :

Are only entitled to use the site at **Mirepeisset**, and to respect all procedures in place by the Grand Narbonne, as described on the website :

<http://services.legrandnarbonne.com/l-environnement-au-quotidien-une-mission-du-grand-narbonne/163-la-gestion-des-dechets-professionnels-dans-le-grand-narbonne.html>



Since this waste is not household waste, the commune has no obligation to collect it. Payment for this service is therefore a matter between the professionals and the Grand Narbonne.

Where do I dispose of what ?

The local rubbish dump at **RAISSAC**, Grand Narbonne, welcomes you to sort and recycle items that are not dealt with in the traditional collection of household waste, up to a limit of 1³m per week.

Green waste and bulky items form part of that amount.

Before taking items to the rubbish dump, don't forget those that are collected via the Mairie.

Household waste that is non-recyclable should be placed, in sealed black rubbish bags, in the brown containers situated around the commune, within easy reach of each home.

Ce container est exclusivement réservé
aux **ORDURES MÉNAGÈRES**
emballées dans des sacs fermés



Prohibited items as shown above – plastic, glass, paper, cartons, tyres, charcoal, metal, gravel, ironwork, hot cinders, animal remains.

Packaging of household goods

Sorting and recycling of household products (whether food or other goods) starts at source – ie with the householder).

Recyclable packaging is divided into two main groups : papers and magazines, and packaging (plastic, metal (tins), boxes...) as one group, and glass the other.

Yellow recycling containers - are provided for the disposal of:

Card packaging, empty plastic bottles, foil food packaging, tins, papers, magazines, directories, letters, envelopes, other printed materials.



Attention !

There is no need to shred, screw them up, or tear them.

Soiled paper is not allowed as it could lead to the entire container being rejected and it being turned into household waste.

Special papers such as carbon, aluminum, x-rays, greaseproof papers, photographs, wallpapers and tissues are prohibited from being placed in the container.

X-rays and wallpapers are to be disposed of at the rubbish dump, managed by an agent.

Attention !

Certain plastic rubbish needs to be placed in your household rubbish bin. These comprise food film wrap, clear plastic food containers, food containers for meat, yoghurt pots, ice cream containers.

CARDBOARD BOXES must be disposed of at the rubbish dump

Green recycling containers - the following only to be disposed of:

Glass – bottles, small containers (perfume bottles), jars and pots – without corks, caps, lids



Attention !

Do not put any glass containers that have contained pharmaceutical products, glass plates, porcelain, china, bulbs, casserole dishes, Pyrex, vitroceramic casserole dishes, flower pots, window panes or mirrors

SORTING AND RECYCLING = EFFICIENT IF IT IS DONE CORRECTLY

- BUT it is no good if it is not done correctly – it will prove expensive

* Ecologically

As shown in the table here, children and grandchildren of those causing pollution will not thank them for their lack of consideration.

* Financially

Containers poorly sorted and utilised incur additional costs to be recycled.

Rubbish thrown away in the countryside is also expensive to be recovered.

The cost per ton can be as much as 6€ à 250€...



Who pays? Those who contribute to this, therefore all of us!

Those who throw things just where they want to think they can get away with it without having to pay anything.

This is a big mistake! Everyone will pay the TEOM, and doing this will only serve to increase the charges.

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All practical information about what can be disposed of where can be found at this following website:

<http://services.legrandnarbonne.com/l-environnement-au-quotidien-une-mission-du-grand-narbonne/165-les-decheteries-communautaires.html>

## Should people be fined for throwing rubbish on the public highway?

**Yes, to throw or dispose of rubbish on the highway is subject to statutory fines.**

If you dispose of and throw away any rubbish in a public place, outside the regulations applicable, you risk the following fines: **68€ to 180€.**

Failure to pay or contesting the fine will be taken up by the police courts who will decide on the further fines, up to a maximum of **450€.**

**If you use a vehicle to transport this rubbish, you risk a fine of up to 1 500€, as well as the possible confiscation of the vehicle.**

If you do not respect the conditions for rubbish collection (days/hours/sorting) you risk a fine of **35€ to 75€.** Failure to pay or contesting the fine will be taken up by the police courts who will decide on the further fines, up to a maximum of **150€.**

If you leave rubbish containers in the road you risk a fine of up to **750€ (3750€ in the case of trade waste)**

**The commune will be uncompromising with offenders.**