## **TIPS AND CHECKLISTS**

Checklist: Optimization of waste management	
Tip/question/measure	
Consider what information you need for data collection and who can provide it.	
What types of waste are generated by the company?	
Do you know the volumes of the most important waste streams in the company?	
What are the disposal costs for the company?	
Does the company record all different types of waste? If not, which type of waste is not recorded?	
Does the company receive an annual report from its disposal company with information on types, volumes and disposal costs of waste?	
Does the company comply with local and national waste regulations?	
Are responsibilities for waste management clearly defined?	
Is the approach discussed in the environmental team?	
Does management approve of the measures?	
Analyse the residual waste or hazardous waste in order to determine potential for optimization.	
Work out measures for optimization of waste logistics together with employees and cleaning staff.	
Try to record changes in waste logistics by taking photos. In this way you can document positive developments.	
Inform employees and cleaning staff about the correct segregation of waste. Show them how and where they can contribute to avoiding waste and disposal costs.	
Regularly compare disposal offers from different disposal companies.	

## **Checklist – Introducing/Optimizing waste management**

Waste logistics/Waste regulations	
Documentation of all types of waste (type, volume, storage, costs)	
Compliance with special legal requirements for the disposal of hazardous waste	
Obligation to declare hazardous waste	
Separate collection of different types of packaging waste (glass, metal, paper/cardboard, plastics)	
Separate collection of organic waste	
Collection of recyclable material	0
Analysis of residual waste	_
Appropriate collection/storage of hazardous waste (special containers, special room with a lock, roofed area)	0
Improvement of waste logistics	
Uniform labelling/colour system for the waste containers	
Attractive design of waste collection points	_
Education of the employees on waste segregation (company-specific segregation guide)	
Education of the cleaning staff on waste segregation (segregation guide, part of the tender)	
Nomination of persons responsible for waste logistics in different departments	

Measures to avoid and reduce waste	
Use reusable packaging	
Reduce additional packaging	
Reduce the thickness of the packaging material	
Purchase items in big containers	
Use returnable containers (system of refundable deposits)	
Internal recycling of waste (e.g. recycling of solvents)	
External recycling of waste	
Use refillable toner (printer, copying machine)	
Use refillable pens	
Carry out small repairs yourself (e.g. wooden pallets)	
Participate in external repair networks	
Define environmental procurement criteria	