

FAQ: DRAKENSTEIN REPLACEMENT BIN APPLICATIONS PROCESS

The HOA is aware of the ongoing uncertainty about Drakenstein Municipality's new bin application process, and after directly liaising with them, we have compiled a list of frequently asked questions and answers, which we trust will address the key issues:

From which date will non-compliant bins (without Drakenstein code and name) no longer be emptied?

Initially, the date was set for the 18th of September. However, we are now told that from the 25th of September, no private bins will be collected. If a property has two private bins, only one will be collected, as most Pearl Valley properties only pay for one collection but have two bins.

Will non-compliant bins stop being collected entirely after the deadline?

We have asked the team to remain patient, given that the service provider, MPACT, is expected to finish the tagging process by the end of September. The team also understands that many swallows return only in October or November and will apply or replace their bins at that time. While continued collection of non-compliant bins won't be officially advertised, leniency will be shown towards residents who aren't permanently residing in South Africa. Thus in some circumstances non-compliant bins will still be collected, but the operator will report it, and the wheelie bin team will replace the bin as soon as possible.

A resident mentioned they were told that a new bin wouldn't be delivered without taking the old one. Is that true?

Yes, that is partially true. For non-compliant bins (without names or private bins), it remains the resident's responsibility to use or dispose of them. The municipality will not collect these bins unless the homeowner requests that they be recycled. In cases where a damaged or broken Drakenstein bin is being replaced, a new bin will only be provided once the old one is collected. This is to prevent residents from keeping both bins and receiving double service while only paying for one.

How can residents with previously purchased Drakenstein bins make them compliant with the name, number, and tag?

Residents with Drakenstein municipal bins do not need to replace them. Each municipal bin has a barcode linked to the resident's municipal account, which can be verified by the financial office. Only non-municipal bins—such as those purchased from Agrimark, Mambo, Averda, or Wastemart—won't be serviced. MPACT employees will tag bins that are placed outside for

collection on designated collection days. Drakenstein bins are marked with the name "DRAKENSTEIN" and a white barcode linking them to an address or municipal account.

When residents who are abroad return, can they request the bin be tagged?

Yes, returning residents can check their bin and request a tag. Tagging will occur on collection days, with bins being tagged while placed outside. There is no need for anyone to enter the property to access the bins.

Will the supplier continue tagging bins after the initial project is complete?

No, once the initial tagging project is complete, the supplier will not continue tagging. However, the department will handle ad hoc requests for tag replacements.

What should residents do to ensure receipt of their bin?

It is important for the owner, tenant, or neighbour to sign the receipt for the bin, as this signature serves as proof of delivery. Bins cannot be left unattended without a signature. Residents are encouraged to email the designated representatives Melissa.Nel@Drakenstein.gov.za or Karen.Fredericks@drakenstein.gov.za, with a date or two when someone will be available to sign for the bins.

Should there be any problems or challenges regarding the implementation or project, residents can email these two representatives as well.

AMBULANCE SERVICE

Stationed at the Val de Vie Evergreen Medical Centre, the ambulance team provides 24/7 emergency care and hospital transport for residents of both Val de Vie and Pearl Valley.

In the event of a medical emergency:

- Dial the Security Control Room at 021 867 1201.
- Alternatively, use the Val de Vie App*: Open the app and press the emergency SOS button (*This option will soon be replaced by a new Pearl Valley App; further details will be shared soon!)



Hollow tining - September 2024

The Pearl Valley golf course and Halfway House will be closed for the duration of hollow tining from Sunday 15 September, to Friday 20 September, reopening on the 21st. The driving range remains open.

The Valley Restaurant and Pearl Valley ProShop will, however, remain fully operational during this period as per their current business hours.



Congratulations and good luck, Kruger League team

A big congratulations to our Kruger League team, the defending champions from 2023, for making it to the knockout stages of the Boland League!

The next round will take place on the 19th of October at Pearl Valley. Good luck, team!



Perfecting your wedge distances for approach shots involves a mix of technique, practice, and understanding your own game. Here's a guide to help you improve:

Know Your Yardages: Start by getting a clear sense of how far you hit each of your wedges. This means spending time on the range to hit multiple shots with each wedge and recording the average distance. Make sure to consider different conditions like wind and lie.

Master Your Swing Technique: Focus on a consistent swing for each wedge. Your goal is to have a reliable swing that produces repeatable distances. Work on maintaining a smooth tempo and consistent swing path. Practicing with a metronome can help with timing.

Control Your Swing Length: For wedges, your swing length will directly affect your distance. Practice making swings that vary in length (full, three-quarter, half) and note how they affect your distance. Developing muscle memory for different swing lengths will give you more control over your distances.

Practice with Targets: On the range, set up targets at various distances that you want to practice hitting. This will help you learn how to adjust your swing and aim based on the distance to the pin. Visualizing your target and working on your accuracy will improve your approach shots.

Work on Your Short Game: Improving your chipping and pitching around the greens will help you become more comfortable with your wedges. The more you practice, the better you'll understand how to control your distance and trajectory.

Utilize Distance Control Drills: One effective drill is the "clock drill," where you imagine a clock face with the ball in the center. Make swings to different "hours" on the clock to simulate different distances. Another drill involves hitting shots to a specific target and varying the swing length to achieve the desired distance.

Check Your Equipment: Ensure your wedges are properly fitted for your game. Factors like shaft length, lie angle, and grip size can all impact your performance. Make sure your equipment is suited to your swing and playing style.

Stay in the Moment: When you're on the course, focus on one shot at a time. Trust your practice and make a smooth, confident swing. Overthinking can lead to tension and poor results.

By incorporating these tips into your practice routine, you should see improvement in your wedge distances and overall approach shots.

For any assistance or enquiries, feel free to contact the golfing professionals: James Wade at <u>James.Wade@pearlvalley.co.za</u> or call 082 435 5831 Sevey Links at <u>Sevey.Links@pearlvalley.co.za</u> or call 082 214 8014

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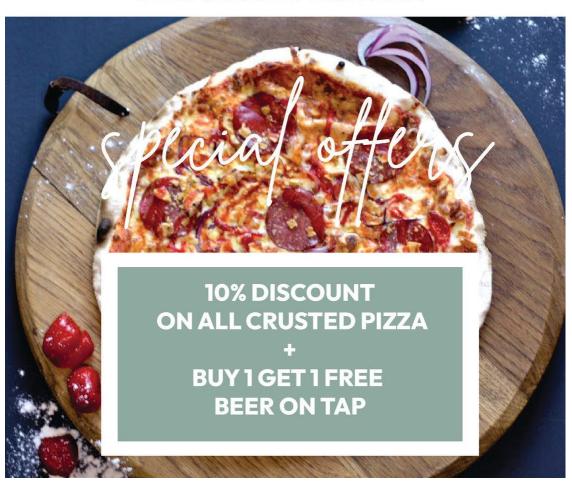


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