

# Bin Usage Assessment (BUA)

*The BUA is intended for Department for Education sites with the new DfE/Cleanaway bin systems, rolled out through 2023.*

*For Independent/CESA sites, please see the Bin Systems Assessment at [wow.sa.gov.au](http://wow.sa.gov.au)*

## What is a Bin Usage Assessment (BUA)?

A Bin Usage Assessment (BUA) is a quick and comprehensive way to get advice, recommendations, and new ideas for improving student engagement with the new DfE bin systems and reducing contamination. A WOW staff member will visit your site for a guided walk-through, working with you and students to identify successes and challenges in how students use the new bins. WOW staff can also provide advice for student-led improvements to resource separation efforts.

## Can we have a Bin Usage Assessment (BUA)?

All DfE schools in the SA Greater Metropolitan Area are eligible for a free Bin Usage Assessment as one of the four pathways to WOW. Regional DfE sites are eligible during WOW regional tours, and other times by arrangement – please speak to one of our staff to discuss your options.

## Benefits

Start your WOW journey with advice tailored to your site's implementation of your new DfE/Cleanaway "Binrastructure".

## The Bin Usage Assessment (BUA) process:

**Before a BUA:** Prior to the assessment date, the WOW team will send a 'What We Do Now' sheet to be filled in and returned to WOW a week before your assessment. A copy of the site plan is also helpful to assist during the walkthrough.

**During a BUA:** During the site assessment, a WOW staff member will walk around the school accompanied by a staff member and students from the site. The aim of this is to directly observe the link between classrooms and the new systems to identify areas of improvement. Collectively, a list of suggested actions will be created to build student engagement with the bin systems and improve materials separation, reducing contamination in the bins.

It is also beneficial to have the following people available to speak to, particularly if there are specific waste management issues the site aims to address:

- Bursar/business manager
- Principal
- Grounds/ Facilities staff
- Cleaning staff

**After:** After the assessment, WOW staff will provide you with a report with suggested improvements to your existing systems to help reduce waste to landfill. WOW staff can assist your site to prioritise actions, also connecting you with local council and Green Adelaide where possible to support your site in undertaking these actions.

## How do I book a Bin Usage Assessment?

Bin Usage Assessments are recommended to take place after lunchtime as it is best to see the effectiveness of bin systems after they have been used for the day.

Contact [admin@kesab.asn.au](mailto:admin@kesab.asn.au) or call KESAB on 8234 7255, to book an assessment date. After your assessment has been booked, the 'What we do now' sheet will be emailed to you to complete before your assessment.