

BABOONS + UNSECURED REFUSE = PROBLEM



Overstrand Municipality's Solid Waste by-law stipulates that each home owner or tennant/occupier must use baboon-proof containers in areas that the Municipality has identified as problem animal areas.

The Municipality may institute legal proceedings against the owner, occupier, or other person, as the case may be in terms of the Criminal Procedure Act, 1977 (Act 51 of 1977).

The declared problem animal areas are Kleinmond, Betty's Bay, Rooiels, Pringle Bay, Onrus, Voëlklip, Fernkloof (including the Golf Estate), Hermanus Heights, Kwaaiwater and Eastcliff.

The by-law further states:

- 1.**
Bins must be secured with baboon proof locking devices
- 2.**
Do not leave black bags on top or outside bin
- 3.**
No black bags may be left on pavement or sidewalk

PLEASE REMEMBER: - Only put refuse bins out before 07:30am of the day of collection, not the day before. **NO BAGS!**

- Each household is permitted one bin with four bags of household waste (which may include one bag of garden refuse)
- Garden waste should preferably be taken to the Hermanus Transfer Station for chipping and composting, alternatively it can be taken to the Prawn Flats drop-off for disposal

REFUSE COLLECTION DAYS

- days remain the same regardless of public holidays

MONDAYS: Voëlklip

FRIDAYS: Kwaaiwater, Fernkloof, Eastcliff, Hermanus Heights

WEEKEND VISITORS CAN DROP REFUSE BAGS AT:

Voëlklip Drop-off near the OK Supermarket in 7th Street, Voëlklip

HOME OWNERS / HOLIDAY RENTALS:

Please forward the refuse removal schedule to holiday tenants and inform them about Baboons + unsecured refuse = problem

Baboon proof bins and refuse removing issues: 028 313 8092 or email fpretorius@overstrand.gov.za

Law enforcement and by-law transgressions / complaints: 028 313 8980 o/h

Municipal infrastructure issues (electricity, stormwater, refuse removal): 24 hour emergency control room: 028 313 8111

Alternatively visit the Hermanus Baboon Action Group website on www.hermanusbaboons.co.za or email: info@hermanusbaboons.co.za or [fb.me/hermanusbaboons](https://www.facebook.com/hermanusbaboons)

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Proactive Measures and Responses to possible baboon encounters:

- Join your local Whatsapp group for Baboon Alerts
- If renting your house, advise tenants how to manage the situation, particularly if they have children or pets.
- Know your refuse day, take responsibility for securing your bin.
- Always set your house alarm as you leave. Close all windows.
- Young baboons can access a gap 5cm or larger.
- Baboons can open sliding doors and turn handles.
- Appoint a close neighbor or friend in town to be key holder.
- If baboons enter your house, make way so they exit unhindered.
- Keep pets away in a locked room until all baboons have left.
- Never threaten baboons or take food items from them.
- Warn children to drop food items and move away, if approached by a baboon.
- Remove baboon poop using gloves and HandyAndy as soon as possible, poop may carry disease.
- Avoid leaving domestic pets outside for extended periods when you are out.
- Beams in the garden provide early warnings.
- Keep fruit bowls and food items out of sight, away from windows.
- Pick ripe fruit from fruiting trees daily. Vegetable gardens, bird feeders, dog food bowls attract baboons.



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