

VICTORIA

Reporting Litterers

Who do I report to?

EPA Victoria - Litter Report Line

www.epa.vic.gov.au/litter/reporting litter from a car.asp

or

1300 EPA VIC (1300 372 842)

How can I report litterers?

Online:

• Register as a reporter

You must be registered to submit a report online. After registration you will immediate access to the reporting pages https://easprod1.epa.vic.gov.au/pollrep/general/ptregistration.jsp

• Then complete the litter report form online

Report by mail or fax:

- Download a litter report form http://www.epa.vic.gov.au/litter/docs/litter_form.pdf
- Submit form by mail or fax

What information do I need?

The vehicle:

- registration number
- make & model
- colour & type

When and where:

- street, suburb, nearest cross street
- date and time

Description of the litter:

what was it?

Description of the person (if possible):

- gender
- estimated age
- · any distinguishing features

^{*}Please Note: The hotline will help you register and/or obtain a litter report form, but cannot accept verbal reports.



What information about myself must I provide?

You need to supply:

- name
- address
- phone number

Will I be identified?

While the EPA requires your name and contact details to accept a report, these details are not provided to the owner of the vehicle that you have reported, to the person who has littered from a vehicle or to any other third party.

Your personal information is strictly controlled by EPA in accordance with <u>privacy legislation</u>.

In some cases, the offender may wish to exercise their right to be heard in court. In this situation EPA will contact you to discuss the matter further. As part of the court proceedings, you will be required to give evidence at which time you would have to identify yourself.

What is the fine?

- For an extinguished cigarette butt \$122
- If it's alight \$244

Anything else I should know?

The EPA Litter Reporting System is designed so that any litter deposited either from a vehicle or by a person who can be directly associated with a vehicle, can be reported. For example, if a person drops a cigarette butt on the ground and then gets into a car and drives away, then we can act against the vehicle owner.

Other examples of littering include putting up of posters without consent, windblown litter from commercial premises or construction sites. These matters should be reported to your local council or other relevant agency.

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