

FACTSHEET 5:

Being waste smart at Aura

Aura has been purposefully designed with respect to its unique natural setting – the glimpses of the picturesque Glasshouse Mountains, the nearby bustling beaches of Caloundra and the beautiful Pumicestone Passage. Reducing waste will not only make Aura a leader in the delivery of environmental sustainability, but importantly help save you on money in the long term.

Being waste smart is focusing on the efficient use of resources in the design, construction and operation of your home. The golden rule (3 Rs) for waste minimisation are:

- Reduce
- Re-use
- Recycle

Key waste minimisation tips can be found on the following websites:

- yourhome.gov.au/materials/waste-minimisation
- ehp.qld.gov.au/waste/minimisation/reduce_reuse_recycle.html

Aura aims to minimise the amount of waste generated through the construction and operation of the community on an ongoing basis. This will be achieved by:

- implementing builder-education programs that maximise the re-use and recycling of building materials, household and business waste, and encourage building design and construction techniques that minimise future waste generation;
- implementing waste-minimisation targets on civil and landscape contractors;
- recycling materials on site, including topsoil management practices, soil quality improvement and suitable vegetation as habitat structures;
- compulsory rainwater tanks to re-use water for flushing toilets and outdoor irrigation; and
- investigating opportunities for the beneficial harvesting and re-use of treated stormwater.

