

Margao Municipal Council

Margao Goa.

NOTICE

The Union Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change has notified the Solid Waste Management Rules (SWM) Rules, 2026 on 27/01/2026, superseding the Solid Waste Management Rules, 2016. The rules have been notified under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and will come into effect from 1st April 2026. The said rules are applicable to all waste generators including entities within the jurisdiction of the Margao Municipal Council and the said rules mandate for the following.

- 4 (four) stream segregation of Solid Waste. The solid waste is required to be segregated into wet waste, dry waste, sanitary waste and special care waste (paint cans, bulbs, mercury thermometers, expired medicines, batteries, waste needles and syringes etc. generated at the house hold level).
- Entities satisfying one of the following criteria are defined as Bulk Waste Generators (BWGs); (i) Building with floor area of 20000, sq. mtr. or above; or (ii) water consumption of 40000 liters per day; or (iii) Solid Waste generation of 100 kg per day. The entities covered would include Residential Welfare Associations and gated communities, hotels, restaurants, banquets halls, commercial complexes, malls, educational institutional, hospital and nursing homes, Government Departments etc.
- It is mandatory for the Bulk Waste Generators to register with the Margao Municipal Council through a centralized online portal.
- The bulk waste generators shall setup and operate wet waste processing facilities of adequate capacities including for horticulture waste to ensure processing/ treatment of the wet waste / horticulture waste generated by them through on-site composting or biomethanation or any other approved technology.
- If on-site processing is not possible, bulk waste generators must obtain Extended Bulk Waste Generator Responsibility (EBWGR) certificate from the Margao Municipal Council indicating they are paying for the special services for handling and treating the waste.



- Environmental Remediation and Compensation for fines would be levied on BWGS for improper management, false reporting, or failing to register in- accordance with Rule 17 of the SWM Rules 2026.
- All the waste generators, entities and Bulk Waste Generators within the jurisdiction of the Margao Municipal Council are hereby directed to refer to the SWM Rules 2026 and the order of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated 19/02/2026 in Civil Appeal No.6174 of 2023 and further comply with the above mentioned rules and directions. Incase of non-compliance by the obligated waste generator or entity, environmental compensation shall be levied as per the said rules.

For details please refer to:

- Solid Waste Management Rules, 2026: -

<https://static.pib.gov.in/WriteReadData/specificdocs/documents/2026/jan/dc2026129773501.pdf>

Or

<https://sbmurban.org/storage/app/media/e-library/Guidelines/solid-waste-management-rules-2026.pdf>

- Order of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated 19 /02 /2026 in Civil Appeal No.6174 of 2023: -

https://api.sci.gov.in/supremecourt/2023/39110/39110_2023_8_16_68608_Order_19-Feb-2026.pdf

- Margao Municipal Council website.

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