



Modern Reusable Cloth Nappies Factsheet

Taking care of your bub and the environment

Modern reusable cloth nappies can save you money and reduce waste.

The City of Swan is offering free modern reusable cloth nappy kits to residents and ratepayers who attend an informative workshop.

The kits include two one-size-fits-most cloth nappies with two inserts each, an adjustable swim nappy, reusable cloth wipes and a large wet bag, with a retail value of over \$160.

The workshops cover how to use, fit and wash modern reusable cloth nappies and include time for questions and problem solving.

What are modern reusable nappies?

Designed to be used over and over again, modern reusable cloth nappies are an alternative to single-use disposable nappies.

Reusable nappies are cheaper than disposables over the long-term and better for the environment.

The City of Swan is partnering with Earthside Eco Bums to reduce household waste.

Earthside Eco Bums reusable cloth nappies consist of a waterproof cover with absorbent cotton, bamboo and hemp inserts. The nappies are a one size fits most design, adjustable to suit newborn babies to toddlers.

Benefits of modern reusable nappies

Pressure on families due to the cost of living mean rising costs of infant hygiene products, including disposable nappies. Disposable nappies are also considerably more expensive, around double the cost of modern reusable nappies annually (Source: Switch Your Thinking).

Disposable nappies also take up a significant amount of waste bin space, as well as taking up to 500 years to decompose in landfill (Source: CSIRO).

What is included?

Workshop participants receive a free kit to take home, valued at over \$160, which includes:

- Two cloth nappy covers – one-size-fits-most, adjustable and side snapping
- Four inserts to suit the above nappy covers – two long bamboo inserts, one short booster bamboo insert and one short booster hemp insert
- One-size-fits-most reusable swim nappy
- Five reusable bamboo wipes
- One large double pocket wet bag.

How to claim:

1. Register for the workshop
2. Attend the workshop, making sure you bring:
 - Proof of your address (for residents), such as a driver's licence or utility bill
 - A rates notice (for ratepayers)
3. Collect your nappy kit (limit of one per household)
4. Take your own nappy kit home, use and reuse.

FAQs

Who is eligible to claim the subsidy?

Ratepayers and residents of the City. You will need to bring your rates notice and/or proof of address to the modern cloth nappies workshop to prove your eligibility.

Can I still attend a workshop even though I do not live in the City of Swan?

Anyone can attend a workshop; however only City of Swan residents or ratepayers are eligible for a kit.

How many nappy kits can I receive?

One modern nappy kit per eligible household.

Can I still claim a free cloth nappy kit even if I don't make it to a workshop?

Coming to the workshop is essential, so unfortunately you cannot claim a free cloth nappy kit if you do not attend.

When is the next workshop?

Please visit the City's website to find the next workshop at swan.wa.gov.au/thinkgreen or call **(08) 9267 9267**.

Can you deliver the nappy kit to my house?

No, you need to collect the nappy kit in person at the workshop.

I bought a modern cloth nappy kit previously. Can I claim the subsidy for it?

No, the free nappy kit you receive through this scheme is the extent of the subsidy.

Can I bring my children with me to the workshop?

Yes, the workshops are child and family friendly. Partners, grandparents, other family members and friends are all encouraged to attend to join and support the cloth nappy journey.

For more information, contact the City on (08) 9267 9267 or email swan@swan.wa.gov.au