



Street cleaning

Vienna is one of the cleanest cities in the world

MA 48 is responsible for street cleaning in Vienna. Cleaning the nearly 2,800 kilometres of the city's road network requires precise planning of staff deployment and an optimum combination of manual and mechanical work.

TASKS

- Basic planning for street cleaning and winter road services
- Street cleaning, clearing snow from streets and other areas, snow removal, spreading grit on pedestrian crossings and streets (except Autobahn or Schnellstraße motorways) in icy conditions
- Operating waste collection centres
- Cleaning and winter maintenance of public pavements and markets
- Emptying public bins
- Restocking dog waste bag dispensers
- Removing weeds from paved public areas and roadside ditches
- Cleaning public recycling points
- Cleaning green spaces and tree plantings around public traffic areas
- Securing dangerous spots in public traffic areas and repairing minor road damage
- Dust control on paved roads

- Removal of illegally deposited bulky waste and illegal advertising stands from public areas
- Cleaning after events
- Setting the costs for the cleaning of public traffic areas
- Traffic sign rental

VEHICLES USED

Small trucks, flatbeds, tractors, skid-steer loaders, wheel loaders, sweepers, street washing machines and transport vehicles.

If needed, private street washing machines and transport vehicles can be used as well.

LEGAL BASIS

The scope of the cleaning tasks is regulated by laws and ordinances (e.g. Civil Code, Road Traffic Act, Vienna Cleanliness Act).

These also define which responsibilities are not in the scope of MA 48, such as the obligation for residents of properties to clean their pavement, obligations of owners of streets and of landowners, e.g. cleaning the parks of Vienna Parks and Gardens (Municipal Department 42).

FACTS AND FIGURES

- approx. 1,000 employees
- road network: 2,800 kilometres
- over 21,000 public waste bins, emptied up to six times a day
- cleaning at approx. 400 events per year
- 21,000 running metres of market areas
- approx. 488,000 running metres of public pavements and stairs to be maintained
- 336,000 running metres of bike lanes
- approx. 387,000 m² of pedestrian zones to be maintained
- approx. 3,800 dog waste bag dispensers
- 13 waste collection centres
- on-call service: approx. 2,800 trips to secure dangerous spots



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