



# Litter Assessment

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**Environmental Aim:** To assess whether a particular area is cleaned regularly, according to the amount of litter found there.

**Method:** When conducting a litter assessment, surveyors should carry out up to three separate assessments at three different locations. Each area or transect should be 50 metres in length. Individual assessments should be averaged out to determine whether the over-all litter level is given an A, B, C or D score.

- **A Good** - No litter or refuse.



- **B Satisfactory** - Predominantly free of litter and refuse apart from some small items.



- **C Unsatisfactory** - Widespread distribution of litter and refuse with minor accumulations.



- **D Poor** - Heavily littered with significant accumulations.



**Discuss:** What kind of litter has been found? How do you think it got there? Which area was the best/worst?