



### DID YOU KNOW THAT...

on our behalf, the Frankfurter Entsorgungs- und Service GmbH (FES) cleans 31 million square meters and empties 190,000 waste containers every week?

### STREET CLEANING A CLEAN SOLUTION

We organize safe roads, even in winter conditions. Every day more than 300 vehicles are used for this purpose: large and small street sweeping machines, water trucks and many special vehicles to clean streets, sidewalks and public squares. The statute for street-cleaning, which is also available in plain language, regulates how the cleaning takes place, which charges occur and the obligations you as a citizen must fulfill.

### WASTE DISPOSAL REMOVING THE GARBAGE

We arrange the collection of residual and organic waste, waste paper and bulk waste and we ensure that every property has the waste containers required. In addition, we develop concepts for recycling and strategies for waste prevention. We provide you with information about the different types of waste, the correct separation of waste, the disposal facilities and waste charges. You can also report illegal waste dumping to us – we'll take care of it.

### NOISE PROTECTION AND AIR POLLUTION CONTROL FOR CLEAN AIR AND CALM

A liveable city needs clean air and protection against noise. Our experts in the immission control division take care of both. They work on noise reduction plans and clean air programmes and compile regular reports. There, you can also gain information about chimney sweeping and about the different types of noise and when they are permitted.



### DID YOU KNOW THAT...

the Environmental Office coordinates the city-wide process "Frankfurt Green City"? Discover all activities at: [www.frankfurt-greencity.de](http://www.frankfurt-greencity.de)

### ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTING A CONTACT POINT FOR ALL MATTERS

The Environmental Communication and Public Relations team is the first contact point for citizens for all environmentally relevant questions concerning Frankfurt. We also create information materials and regularly organize public events. Discover our extensive information and advice services:

Website: [www.umweltamt.stadt-frankfurt.de](http://www.umweltamt.stadt-frankfurt.de)  
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**We are looking forward to your questions, please do not hesitate to contact us!**

### THE ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICE SPECIALISTS FROM A WIDE RANGE OF PROFESSIONS

For example: biology, chemistry, geography, earth sciences, engineering, journalism, climatology, landscape planning and ecology, media science, economics of sustainability, urban planning, environmental science and technology, supply and waste management, administration. In addition, we provide positions for a voluntary ecological year (FÖJ) as well as internships.

If you are interested in a position with the City of Frankfurt am Main, visit the website: [www.stadtfrankfurtjobs.de](http://www.stadtfrankfurtjobs.de)

### FURTHER INFORMATION

Here you will also find information about our events and publications. You can download or order them free of charge.

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[www.umweltamt.stadt-frankfurt.de](http://www.umweltamt.stadt-frankfurt.de)  
[www.frankfurt-greencity.de](http://www.frankfurt-greencity.de)  
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# THE ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICE IN FRANKFURT

Committed to environment and quality of life





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Head of the  
Environmental Office

## DEAR CITIZENS,

Frankfurt am Main is a rapidly expanding city which can only meet the wishes for quality of life when environment and nature remain intact. This can only succeed by protecting natural habitats, enhancing environmental and residential quality and through the efficient, sustainable use of natural resources.

Since the creation of our office in 1989 we have been committed to promoting environment-friendly behaviour in daily life and avoiding unnecessary environmental damage.

The employees of the Environmental Office are service providers for all the citizens of Frankfurt. We offer advice on environmental issues, inform about current environmental events and promote a healthy and intact environment. Our tasks are manifold and comprehensive. In the following we would like to present the most important information, thematic areas and job profiles of the Environmental Office.

Yours



**DID YOU KNOW THAT...**  
the Environmental Office in Frankfurt employs more than 170 people in six different departments?



### DID YOU KNOW THAT...

a green facade can be up to 30 degrees cooler in summer than a conventional house wall?

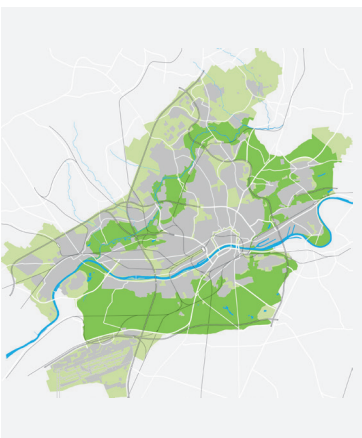
## URBAN NATURE AND CLIMATE

### PREVENTION IS BETTER THAN CURE

The Environmental Office is committed to protecting, maintaining and shaping nature and the landscape. To improve the urban climate, we develop measures for climate adaptation, such as the greening of roofs, facades and courtyards. To maintain biodiversity, we take care of protected areas and species protection and shape landscapes according to plan. The Environmental Office experts are also involved in projects such as the planning of new residential areas. In this way we ensure that aspects such as climate and species protection, are always taken into account in construction projects.

## LOCAL RECREATION

### FRANKFURT SURROUNDED BY GREENERY



Frankfurt's Green Belt (Grün-Gürtel), about half of which is forest, covers almost one third of the urban area. Working with other offices, we ensure its quality and development for local recreation. If you want to enjoy the countryside on an excursion, we can provide you with information about hiking trails, bicycle tours, popular destinations as well as flora and fauna in the Green Belt.

## TREE PROTECTION

### MORE "GREEN GIANTS"

As trees contribute greatly to quality of life, urban climate and biodiversity, one key issue in the Environmental Office is tree protection for which the local Nature Conservation Agency is responsible. Permission is required if a tree, which has to be felled, has reached a certain circumference. For each tree felled, a new one must be planted. These requirements are regulated in Frankfurt's tree protection statutes, which are also available in plain language.

We promote new tree plantings with the initiative „Der Geschenkte Baum“ (a Tree for Free). If you plant a deciduous tree, in many cases we cover the costs. Regardless of this, particularly beautiful trees can be designated as natural monuments, which will then be maintained permanently.



### DID YOU KNOW THAT...

the following trees are under protection?

- deciduous trees and ginkgos with a circumference of more than 60 cm,
- conifers with a circumference of over 90 cm, measured 1 metre above the ground.



### DID YOU KNOW THAT...

approximately 2 % of the urban area of Frankfurt is covered with water?

## WATER AND SOIL PROTECTION

### ECOLOGY IN BALANCE

As our soils and water bodies fulfill important ecological functions we make sure that they are preserved. The local Water and Soil Protection Agency approves and monitors interventions such as groundwater use, the storage of water-polluting substances and construction works on water bodies. We also investigate, evaluate and remediate contaminated sites. Our tasks also include the aftercare of former landfills such as „Monte Scherbelino“.

## ENVIRONMENTAL LABORATORY AND WASTEWATER

### SPOTLIGHT ON THE SEWAGE SYSTEM

Around 300 million litres of wastewater are produced every day in Frankfurt and the surrounding area. With an approximate value of 1,000 euros per inhabitant, the sewage system is the city's largest asset. To protect the system, we monitor commercial wastewater discharges regularly. For this purpose, the Environmental Office has a special field service and its own environmental laboratory. In the laboratory several thousand wastewater samples are analysed each year using the most advanced technical equipment. The laboratory also supports other city offices with its expertise.