

## 5 Services

### 5.1 Hairdressers / Barbers

The German word for appointment is "Termine."

#### ATTILA HAIRDESSING

Vahingerstrasse 42, Mohringen Five minutes from school. Highly recommended.  
0711-710561.

#### BREUNINGERLAND – FRISEUR

Sindelfingen – BreuningerLand Shopping Mall  
07031-6162204  
07031-6162205 Some staff speak English

#### BREUNINGER's DEPARTMENT STORE

Stuttgart – Marktplatz (Rathaus U-Bahn Exit)  
0711-2111990

#### OVI

Degerloch village  
Right at the Degerloch Bahnhof. Staff speaks some English.

### 5.2 Garbage

A cultural difference one may notice immediately concerns garbage. In general, Germans are more conscientious about the environment and recycle almost everything. The method of handling recyclables and garbage collection varies from town to town. Therefore it is important to call your local rathaus to obtain the correct information. Each town will provide an annual calendar listing dates for the various types of pickups as well as what is allowed to be recycled. Billing will vary depending on the particular arrangement with your landlord. The following will provide some general information.

Biomüll – Usually a brown can is provided for anything that can be composted (primarily foodstuff such as fruit and vegetable peelings). Garden waste can also go in here. For larger yard waste there are usually some annual pickup dates or the yard waste must be hauled in your car to a local recyclinghof .

Paper - Usually a green (or blue) can labeled Altpapier is used for flat paper and cardboard.

Restmüll – Usually a grey or black can is used for restmüll, which is anything that cannot be placed in one of the other types of garbage. The charge for pickup on restmüll is generally higher than the other types of garbage to encourage recycling efforts.

Gelbe Sack – This is a plastic yellow sack usually provided at local grocery stores and your local rathaus for all recyclable materials with the green arrows (Grüner Punkt) on them. This would generally include all plastics, cans, and tetra packs. Some towns have pickups at the curb. Others must bring their sacs to a recyclinghof. A container is not provided for these sacs to store them between pickups.

Glass – Glass is handled two ways. If there is no deposit (it may read 'kein pfand' on the bottle) on the item (ie. pickle or medicine jars), it can be recycled at local glass containers which are found throughout the town. They are generally blue/gray boxes with three drops for clear, brown or green glass. Often there are restrictions on when you can throw away your empty bottles as the sound of smashing glass can be loud. Bottles with a deposit (generally most milk, soda, water, beer or wine bottles) can be returned at your local grocery or getranke store.

Batteries – Batteries can be disposed of at any store that sells them. Look for small battery containers at your supermarket or electronics stores such as Technoland and Media Markt.

Special arrangements must be made for large items. Some towns will have one annual pickup date.

Note that your movers may take your boxes etc., but you must call them for this or arrange a pickup date. If you are buying furniture, you may want to leave the boxes at the store or make sure the garbage goes with the delivery men.