

This week Dublin’s Q102 visited Dun Laoghaire Harbour to see how they help limit pollution on their coast

**Did you know…**

* Millions of tons of plastic enter the oceans each year
* Oil spills, both large and small, can occur in harbours and at sea.
* The dumping of marine debris leads to not only plastics but also abandoned fishing gear and other litter building up.

**What do Dun Laoghaire Harbour do?**

* Every time a safety patrol boat is deployed they must bring back one carton of litter from the nearby coast.
* They put an emphasis on daily cleans and picking up litter and waste as they go rather than waiting for it to build up
* Their primary focus is keeping marine life safe from waste.

**How can I help with waste polluting our oceans?**

* Make sure when putting rubbish in nearby bins that they’re not overflowing.
* Consider joining a volunteer cleaning group.
* Be aware of the biodiversity lurking beneath the water

**Here’s a few websites if you want to know more !**

[**Dun Laoghaire Harbour**](http://www.dlrcoco.ie/dun-laoghaire-harbour-0)

[**Environmental Plan Dun Laoghaire Harbour**](https://www.dlrcoco.ie/node/61765)