

RECYCLABLE MATERIALS

What can I put in my blue bin?



Cardboard:

- ✓ Cardboard boxes
- ✓ Egg cartons
- ✓ Milk and cream cartons
- ✓ Multilayer containers (such as juice boxes)
- ✓ Disposable coffee cups
- ✓ Toilet paper and paper towel rolls


Paper:

- ✓ Newspaper, circulars, magazines, catalogues
- ✓ Envelopes
- ✓ Paper bags
- ✓ Notebooks
- ✓ Wrapping paper
- ✓ Brochures, promotional inserts

Metal:

- ✓ Cans
- ✓ Covers and lids
- ✓ Aluminum foil
- ✓ Aluminum pie plates
- ✓ Aluminum cans (returnable or not)

Plastic:

- ✓ All plastic items with the following symbol:
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- ✓ Plastic bags and plastic wraps that can be stretched

Glass:

- ✓ Food containers (bottles and jars) of all colours
- ✓ Wine and beer bottles

Tips and advice

- ✓ Flatten cardboard boxes so they take up less space in the bin.
- ✓ Rinse containers and avoid soiled paper and cardboard.
- ✓ Place all plastic bags and plastic wraps in one plastic bag.

ORGANIC WASTE

What can I put in my brown bin?

Also applies to compost containers offered by your municipality



Kitchen waste:

- ✓ Fruits and vegetables
- ✓ Cooked meat and fish, seafood (including shells), bones
- ✓ Table scraps (pasta, rice, sauces, cake)
- ✓ Bread, cereal
- ✓ Dairy products
- ✓ Coffee grounds and filters, teabags
- ✓ Eggshells

Other waste:

- ✓ Pizza boxes, cardboard contaminated with food
- ✓ Paper towels (without chemicals), used paper napkins and tissues
- ✓ Hair, animal fur
- ✓ Domestic animal wood ship litter
- ✓ Cold wood ashes (at least 7 days old)

Garden waste:

- ✓ Grass cuttings, dead leaves, branches (up to 1 cm in diameter and 60 cm long), flowers, plants (with soil), bark, shavings and woodchips, sawdust, weeds.
- ✗ Invasive exotic plants not accepted

Tips and advice

- ✓ During winter, place cardboard or a sheet of newspaper in the bottom of your brown bin to prevent sticking.
- ✓ Clean your kitchen waste container regularly with water and dish soap or vinegar to avoid odours.
- ✓ Wrap wet materials and meat in newspaper to avoid maggots.
- ✓ It is recommended that you use paper bags to collect organic waste.
- ✓ Store leftover meat, fish or other animal products in the freezer while waiting for pickup (wrapped in newspaper in a container of ice cream or margarine).

ORGANIC WASTE

What can I put in my domestic composter?

(at home)



Kitchen waste accepted for domestic composting:

- ✓ Fruits and vegetables
- ✓ Pasta and rice (with no oil or sauce)
- ✓ Coffee grounds, teabags
- ✓ Crushed eggshells

Reminder

- ✗ No meat, fish, bones, nuts, seeds/grains or dairy products in a home/domestic composter

Garden waste: :

- ✓ Grass cuttings, dead leaves, branches (up to 1 cm in diameter and 60 cm long), flowers, plants (with soil), bark, shavings and woodchips, sawdust, weeds.

The right ratio

- 1/3** wet/green materials (nitrogen-rich materials such as fruit and vegetable scraps)
- 2/3** dry/brown materials (carbon-rich materials such as dead leaves and sawdust)

Tips and advice

- ✓ Make sure the mixture is moist and well aerated.
- ✓ If your compost has an unpleasant odour, add brown materials and stir to aerate.

How else can I compost?

Grasscycling

Leave grass clippings on the lawn after mowing. Mow your leaves in the fall instead of raking them. These techniques will provide your soil and plants