

Recycle for Glasgow



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By making full use of your blue, purple and brown bins you can help us recycle more and send less waste to landfill.

If you don't have a **blue, purple** or **brown bin** please  **0141 287 9700** and we will deliver one free of charge.

YOUR Recycling Bins

Blue Bin



**Paper, cardboard, tins,
cans and plastic bottles**

Purple Bin



**Glass bottles
and jars**

Brown Bin



**Garden
waste**



Blue Bin

Collected every two weeks

- Paper • Cardboard • Tins
- Cans • Plastic bottles

All items must be loose, dry and rinsed



1 Collect and sort your items for recycling



2 Rinse your tins, cans and plastic bottles - please remove lids



3 Flatten your cardboard and plastic bottles



4 Place your paper, cardboard, tins, cans and plastic bottles into your blue bin



5 Place your blue bin at the kerbside by 7am on your collection day

YES ✓

Paper

- ✓ All paper, newspapers, magazines and envelopes

Cardboard

- ✓ All cardboard, boxes and corrugated card

Plastic Bottles

- ✓ Plastic bottles and cleaning sprays

Tins and Cans

- ✓ Tins and cans
- ✓ Empty aerosols

NO ✗

But not...

- ✗ Padded envelopes
- ✗ Kitchen roll

But not...

- ✗ Food and drinks cartons

But not...

- ✗ Pots, tubs, trays or lids
- ✗ Plastic bags
- ✗ Garden chemical bottles

But not...

- ✗ Foil
- ✗ Paint tins

And never...

- ✗ General waste
- ✗ Glass
- ✗ Food waste



Purple Bin

Collected every four weeks

- Glass bottles and jars



1 Collect your glass bottles and jars



2 Remove lids and place in your general waste bin



3 Give your bottles and jars a quick rinse



4 Place your glass bottles and jars into your purple bin



5 Place your purple bin at the kerbside by 7am on your collection day

YES ✓

✓ All glass bottles and jars

NO ✗

But not...

- ✗ Lids or bottle tops
- ✗ Light bulbs
- ✗ Drinking glasses
- ✗ Cups or plates
- ✗ Pyrex
- ✗ Window glass

Did you know...

Glass can be recycled again and again with no loss in quality or strength



Brown Bin

Collected every two weeks

- Garden waste



1 Collect your garden waste



2 We can only collect garden waste that can be composted



3 Twigs and branches should be cut to lengths that fit into your brown bin



4 Place your garden waste into your brown bin



5 Place your brown bin at the kerbside by 7am on your collection day

YES ✓

✓ All compostable garden waste, leaves, twigs and flowers

But not...

NO ✗

- ✗ Bin liners
- ✗ Plastic bags
- ✗ Soil, turf or stones
- ✗ Litter
- ✗ Animal bedding
- ✗ Garden furniture
- ✗ Fences or wooden logs
- ✗ Any metal or plastic

Coming Soon

In 2016 you will be able to recycle food waste in your brown bin - we will provide you with more information when this service comes to your area.



What's In Your Green Bin

Last year we carried out research to see what people in Glasgow were putting in their green general waste bins. Many of the items that were found should have been recycled using your blue, purple and brown bins.

An average general waste bin in Glasgow contains:



In 2016 we will be introducing a new food waste recycling service. This will allow you to recycle all of your food waste in your existing brown bin. We will contact you when this is happening in your area.

In the meantime please make sure you use your blue, purple and brown bins to recycle as much as possible.

Recycling More

You can recycle a wide range of items at recycling centres across Glasgow:

- **Dawsholm** - 75 Dalsholm Road, G20 0TB
- **Easter Queenslie** - 90 Easter Queenslie Road, G33 4UL
- **Polmadie** - 425 Polmadie Road, G42 0PJ
- **Shieldhall** - Renfrew Road, G51 4SL

Too Good To Waste?


If you have large items at home that you no longer need and are still in good condition, you can have them collected for free by calling the National Re-use Phone Line on ☎ 0800 0665 820.

Bulk Uplift


If you have bulky household items that are not suitable for re-use, and you are unable to take them to a recycling centre, you can request a bulk uplift. We will collect your items from a designated place outside your property - please note there is a high demand for this service and collections can take up to 28 days.

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: What happens to the items I recycle in my blue bin?

A: Items from your blue bin are sent to the Council's facility in Blochairn where they are separated and transported for recycling into new products. For more information visit  www.glasgow.gov.uk/recycling

Q: How do I find out when my bins will be collected?

A: Check your collection calendar or go online to find out when your bins will be emptied at  www.glasgow.gov.uk/recycling

Q: What if I don't have a blue, purple or brown bin?

A: Get in touch with us and we will deliver one to you - free of charge.

Q: When can I start to recycle food waste?

A: We will be in touch in 2016 to let you know when and how you will be able to recycle food waste.

For help or advice with waste and recycling issues, or if you need this publication translated into another language, please contact us:

 www.glasgow.gov.uk/recycling  0141 287 9700  @GlasgowCC



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