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# **Interpretation of the control Curbside Collection Sorting Guide**

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# **GREEN BIN**

Line either your indoor container or outdoor Green Bin. Use a plastic bag or kraft paper bag for either container. Do not line both.



- No special plastic or biodegradable bag is
- No limit on the amount that can be put out for collection.
- Bins cannot weigh more than 20 kgs/44 lbs.
- Put extra material in a clear plastic bag beside your Green Bin or buy an extra bin (see below). Clear plastic bag is preferred for non-food waste (e.g. tissues, diapers, animal waste, etc.).
- Ties/bungee cords must be completely removed before collection.

### What goes in

### All food items except chewing gum.

Small amounts of cooking oil are accepted if they are solid or soaked in paper (i.e. not

Household & sanitary items such as house plants (including soil), diapers, sanitary products, pet food, animal waste and bedding (e.g. from bird/hamster cages), kitty litter, etc.

Soiled paper including paper towels and tissues, white or coloured napkins, flour and sugar bags, meat and cheese paper, ice cream boxes, fast food paper packaging, paper plates, etc.

Note: If these items are soiled with chemicals (e.g. cleaning products) put them in the garbage not in the Green Bin.

### Need a new bin?

For locations and hours to buy or exchange a broken Green Bin and/or kitchen

Visit: toronto.ca/greenbin/containers.htm



### IMPORTANT REMINDER

Your Green Bin, Blue Bin, Garbage Bin and yard waste must be put out no later than 7:00 a.m. on your scheduled

collection day and no earlier than 8:00 p.m. the night before (no earlier than 6:00 p.m. from November to April).

### Leaf & yard waste

is collected from mid-March into December. Please place materials at the curb by 7:00 a.m.



# **BLUE BIN**

- All recycling should fit in the Blue Bin with the lid closed.
- Keep extra recycling for next collection (or place in clear plastic bag beside Blue Bin).
- Containers and paper items can be mixed together.
- Do not line Blue Bin with plastic.
- Put items in LOOSE and not bagged (except for shredded paper and plastic shopping bags).
- Ties/bungee cords must be completely removed before collection.

# Paper - Not contaminated with

Shredded paper only put in clear plastic bag and tie closed.

### Household paper.

Junk mail, writing paper, computer paper, flyers, regular & window envelopes.

Newspapers, magazines, catalogues, telephone directories, books (hard & soft cover).

Plastic covers removed.

Gift wrap & cards. Remove ribbons & bows.

### Egg cartons, rolls & bags.

### Boxboard boxes.

Cardboard, cereal, tissue, detergent boxes. Remove liners, plastic windows and flatten boxes.

### Corrugated cardboard.

Clean, unwaxed and flattened. Remove plastic from pop/water cases. Pizza boxes must be empty.

Refrigerated dough, frozen juice, chip, powdered drink mix, powdered cleanser. Put loose metal end inside cardboard can and pinch closed. Discard plastic pull-off strip and/or peel-off seal. Containers - Rinse to remove residue from all containers.

Plastic food jars, tubs & lids. Margarine, yogurt, cottage cheese, sour cream containers.

Plastic bottles & jugs with lids with sprayers on.

Cleaning products, shampoo.

### Foam polystyrene.

Protective packaging, meat trays, takeout food containers, plates, egg cartons, coffee cups.

### Plastic retail shopping bags. Without drawstrings, metal

detailing or hard plastic handles. Remove receipts, put bags in one bag and tie handles closed.

Milk/Juice cartons & drink boxes. Remove and discard straws.

### Glass bottles & jars. Remove and discard lids.

Rigid aluminum trays, pie plates & roasting pans.

### Cans

### Metal cans.

Place lid inside can and pinch closed.

Empty. Remove and discard caps. Paint.

Empty. Lids must be separated from cans.

### To exchange your Blue Bin:

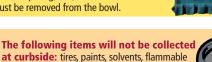
Self-service Request: toronto.ca/311 or Call: 311. Fees may apply.

### **Oversized items**

disposal of these items.

Can be left next to your Garbage Bin for free regular pick-up (e.g. furniture, mattresses, box springs, plastic lawn furniture, carpeting, etc.). This includes toilets but the tank must be removed from the bowl.





liquids, compact fluorescent bulbs, propane tanks and cylinders, pesticides, gasoline and syringes/needles. These items must be taken to a Drop-off Depot. Visit toronto.ca/garbage or call 311 for locations Liquids, dead animals, sod, rocks, soil, gravel, demolition and construction materials are not accepted by the City. Contact a private hauler to arrange for proper



# **GARBAGE BIN**

- Ties/bungee cords must be completely removed before collection.
- Extra garbage bags can be left beside the Garbage Bin if you attach a City-issued bag tag.



The bag cannot weigh more than 20 kg/44 lbs.

### What goes in

Organics & Fibres: leather, unusable textiles and clothing, gum, cigarette butts, corks (from wine bottles, etc.), tobacco, ear cleaners, cotton balls, makeup removal pads, dental floss, baby wipes, disposable mop sheets, dryer lint, dryer sheets, vacuum bags and contents, wood products, wood chips, fireplace or BBQ ashes, hair, pet fur, feathers, candles.

Plastic: toys, make-up jars, caulking tubes, food storage containers, pails with metal handles, plant trays, flower pots, CD/DVD cases, plates, glasses, cutlery, packing peanuts i.e. "popcorn".

Plastic (clear): egg cartons, fruit and vegetable containers, takeout food containers, moulded bakery item trays.

Plastic (bags/wrap): plastic over- wrap (on pop cartons, water bottles, toilet paper, etc.), bags holding flyers, dry cleaning, milk (outer and inner), produce, bread, sandwich and plastic food wrap, snack food and chip bags

Glass: drinking glasses, dishes, cups, crystal, window glass, light bulbs, pots and pans, mirrors, pottery.

Aluminum foil wrapping: aluminum foil food wrap, potato chip bags, metallic gift wrap.

Metal: coat hangers, pots and pans.

Some of these items can be recycled at a Drop-off Depot or a Community **Environment Day.** 

### To exchange your Garbage Bin:

Self-service Request: toronto.ca/311

Call: 311

Fees may apply.

### Household **Hazardous Wastes**





Products with one or more of these symbols must not be placed in the garbage or poured down a drain.

Please visit toronto.ca/garbage or call 311 for safe disposal information.

### **Extra** garbage

Must be tagged with a Cityissued Yellow Bag Tag.

Yellow Bag Tags cost \$3.10 each and are available at Canadian Tire.