

# 2011/12 Green Bin, Blue Bin, Garbage Bin & Yard Waste Collection

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### August 2011

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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### September 2011

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### November 2011

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### December 2011

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### January 2012

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### April 2012

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### July 2012

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Green Bin  
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Garbage  
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Recycling  
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Yard Waste  
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Christmas Tree  
Collection



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# Curbside Collection Sorting Guide

## 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 needed.
- 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 liquid).

**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 container:

Visit: [toronto.ca/greenbin/containers.htm](http://toronto.ca/greenbin/containers.htm)  
Call: 311

## 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.



### What goes in

**Paper** – *Not contaminated with food or chemicals.*

**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.

#### Cardboard cans.

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

#### 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.

#### Aerosol.

Empty. Remove and discard caps.

#### Paint.

Empty. Lids must be separated from cans.

### To exchange your Blue Bin:

Self-service Request: [toronto.ca/311](http://toronto.ca/311) or Call: 311. Fees may apply.

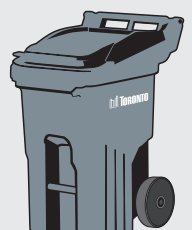
### Oversized items

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.



## 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, make-up 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:

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Call: 311

Fees may apply.

### Leaf & yard waste

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



**Maximum Weight**  
20kg (44lbs)



**The following items will not be collected at curbside:** tires, paints, solvents, flammable 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](http://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 disposal of these items.



### 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](http://toronto.ca/garbage) or call 311 for safe disposal information.

### Extra garbage

Must be tagged with a City-issued Yellow Bag Tag.

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