

# HEAR IT FROM BLOOBIN HIMSELF!



## BREAKING NEWS

## SIGHTINGS OF TALKING BLUE RECYCLING BIN

about an unusual sighting of a blue recycling bin talking trash



# HOW DO I START RECYCLING?

Recycling is easy...

First, set up a recycling corner in your home. Start by placing a recycling receptacle (bin, any container or bag) next to your trash bin so that you can separate recyclables from general waste.

CHECK OUT THE MATERIALS BELOW TO LEARN MORE ABOUT RECYCLING THEM IN DETAIL:

- > Paper
- > Plastic
- > Glass
- > Metal
- > E-waste
- > Used shoes
- > Clothes & textiles
- > Summary

## FOLLOW THIS FLOWCHART TO CHECK IF YOUR ITEMS CAN/CANNOT BE RECYCLED!



# PAPER

RECYCLABLES &  
NON-RECYCLABLES

## OK FOR BLUE RECYCLING BINS!



THESE ARE  
ACTUALLY OK!



### RECEIPTS

There are different types (e.g paper and thermal receipts) but all are ok for the blue bins!



### DRINK CARTONS (TETRA PAK)

They may have a waterproof lining, but it's ok to recycle them after washing!



CARDBOARD  
BOXES



SNACK OUTER  
PACKAGING &  
TISSUE BOXES



EGG TRAYS



ENVELOPES  
& FLYERS



TOILET PAPER &  
PAPER TOWEL  
ROLLS



NEWSPAPERS,  
MAGAZINES &  
BOOKS

Donate if they  
can be reused

## NOT OK FOR BLUE RECYCLING BINS!

THESE SHOULD BE DISPOSED OF AS GENERAL WASTE.



HEY, THESE AREN'T  
EVEN PAPER!



### PLANTS, WOODEN CHOPSTICKS, WOODEN PLANKS

We know that paper comes from trees, but plants and wood aren't paper!



### DIAPERS

Be it clean or dirty, don't even think about it!



PAPER TOWELS  
& TISSUES



DISPOSABLE  
FOOD & DRINK  
PACKAGINGS

These items are often used and unclean, and not selected for recycling.



GLITTER  
PAPERS



CRAYON  
DRAWINGS

Not practical to recycle as it is very difficult to separate the non-paper layer.

# PLASTIC

RECYCLABLES &  
NON-RECYCLABLES

## OK FOR BLUE RECYCLING BINS!



BEVERAGE  
BOTTLES



SHAMPOO, SOAP  
& DETERGENT  
BOTTLES



ZIPLOCK BAGS,  
PLASTIC BAG &  
BUBBLE WRAPS



EGG TRAYS,  
FRUIT BOXES &  
FILM PACKAGING

\*Bring your own reusable containers and bottles  
to takeaway your food and drinks!

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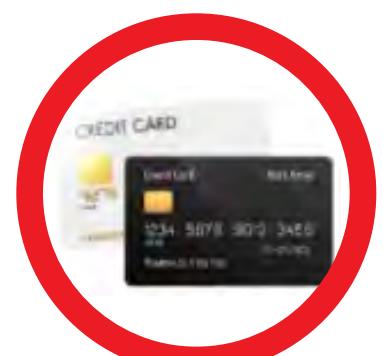


PACKAGING  
WITH FOIL

e.g. potato chip bags  
& empty blister packs



MELAMINE  
PRODUCTS



EXPIRED  
CREDIT CARDS



PLASTIC  
PACKAGING  
CONTAMINATED  
WITH FOOD



TOYS  
Donate if they  
can be reused

# GLASS

RECYCLABLES &  
NON-RECYCLABLES

## OK FOR BLUE RECYCLING BINS!



IF DISPOSED OF PROPERLY,  
GLASS CAN BE CONTINUOUSLY  
RECYCLED!

\*Ensure that they are rinsed &  
free of contamination



LIQUOR  
BOTTLES



DRINK  
BOTTLES



PERFUME,  
COSMETICS &  
MEDICINE BOTTLES



FOOD JARS



SAUCE &  
CONDIMENT  
BOTTLES/JARS



DRINKING &  
WINE GLASSES

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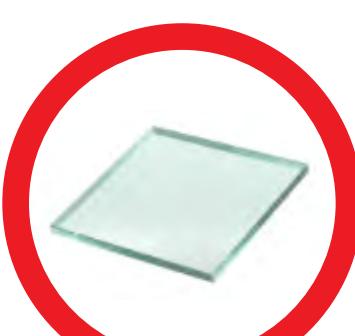
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OVEN-SAFE  
FOOD  
CONTAINERS



PYREX  
GLASSWARE



TEMPERED  
GLASS

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DON'T TREAT  
THESE AS GLASS!



PORCELAIN & CERAMICS

SPECTACLES, LIGHT BULBS

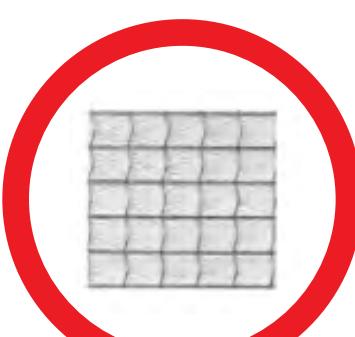
Place them in the e-waste bins instead!



CRYSTAL  
GLASS



MIRROR



GLASS WITH  
METAL WIRES

# METAL

RECYCLABLES &  
NON-RECYCLABLES

## OK FOR BLUE RECYCLING BINS!

THESE ARE ACTUALLY  
OK ONLY IF THEY ARE  
COMPLETELY METAL.



METAL CUTLERY, STEEL WOOL



METAL ACCESSORIES

While these items can be recycled,  
they are small and difficult to pick  
up during the recycling process.



BEVERAGE  
CANS



BISCUIT TINS



METAL  
CONTAINERS



FOOD CANS



PAINT CANS

Ensure that there's  
no liquid paint left



Old medals

Remove ribbon

## NOT OK FOR BLUE RECYCLING BINS!

THESE SHOULD BE DISPOSED OF AS GENERAL WASTE.



RUSTY  
METAL CANS

A small amount of  
rust is ok, but dispose  
them as waste if they  
look like this!



DIRTY  
ALUMINIUM  
FOIL & TRAYS

While aluminium can  
be recycled, they are  
often contaminated  
with food.



E-WASTE

Do not place them  
in the blue bins!  
Cables and laptops can be  
placed in e-waste bins.  
Recycle at specific e-waste  
collection points which  
can be found on [here](#).

# E-WASTE

RECYCLABLES &  
NON-RECYCLABLES

## NOT OK FOR BLUE RECYCLING BINS!

THESE CAN CAUSE FIRES AND SHOULD BE  
DISPOSED OF IN E-WASTE BINS.



**FIRST, CHECK IF YOUR PRODUCT  
CAN BE REUSED, DONATED OR  
REPAIRED. IF NOT, RECYCLE E-WASTE  
THROUGH THESE WAYS:**

- > E-waste bins
- > Retailer 1-for-1 take-back
- > Bulky item removal service<sup>1</sup>
- > Collection drive
- > Doorstep collection<sup>2</sup>

1: HDBs and condominiums  
2: Charges may apply



BATTERIES



LARGE  
HOUSEHOLD  
APPLIANCES



ELECTRIC  
MOBILITY  
DEVICES



ICT  
EQUIPMENT



BULBS & TUBES

Incandescent, LED & fluorescent

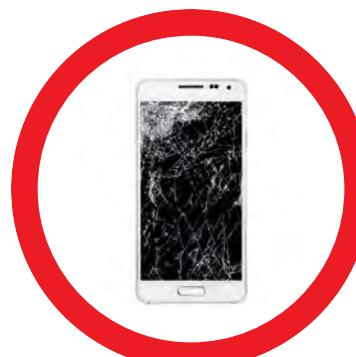
**TO FIND OUT WHERE TO  
RECYCLE E-WASTE, CLICK [HERE](#).**



**DO NOT** dispose of flammable materials into the blue recycling bins, such as hot ashes and lit cigarettes, batteries, electrical and electronic equipment, unemptied spray/aerosol cans and any other smouldering materials.



HOT ASHES &  
LIT CIGARETTES



**ELECTRICAL &  
ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT**

Deposit electronic waste in the e-waste bins situated at most shopping malls, community centres, supermarkets and retail outlets.



**POWER BANKS &  
RECHARGEABLE BATTERIES**

Do remember to tape the ends of the batteries\* and seal leaking batteries in a leak-proof container or bag first to prevent short-circuit or fire incidents.

These items should be deposited in the e-waste bins.

\*refers to 9-volt, Button Cell and rechargeable batteries only



**UNEMPTIED  
SPRAY/AEROSOL CANS**

Ensure cans are emptied before placing them in the blue recycling bins.

# USED SHOES

RECYCLABLES &  
NON-RECYCLABLES

## NOT OK FOR BLUE RECYCLING BINS!

SHOES SHOULD BE DONATED IF IN GOOD CONDITION  
OR DISPOSED OF AS GENERAL WASTE.



**SPORT SHOES**  
Household &  
lithium ion



**SCHOOL SHOES**



**FOOTBALL SHOES**  
without metal studs



### USED SPORTS SHOES COLLECTION POINTS:

- > ActiveSG sport centres
- > Decathlon
- > Selected public parks
- > Selected recreation clubs
- > Doorstep collection
- and more!

### DID YOU KNOW?

Used sport shoes can be recycled into rubber granules which could be used for sports infrastructure like jogging tracks, fitness corners and playgrounds!

**FOR MORE INFO ON ACTIVESG  
PERMANENT USED SHOES  
COLLECTION DRIVE, CLICK [HERE](#).**

# CLOTHES & TEXTILES

RECYCLABLES &  
NON-RECYCLABLES

## NOT OK FOR BLUE RECYCLING BINS!

CLOTHES AND TEXTILES SHOULD BE DONATED IF IN GOOD CONDITION OR DISPOSED OF AS GENERAL WASTE.



NOT ALL PLACES ACCEPT  
EVERYTHING. CHECK WITH  
COLLECTORS WHAT THEY  
ACCEPT!

### PLACES TO GIVE YOUR CLOTHES A NEW LEASE OF LIFE:

- > Doorstep collection
- > Cash-for-trash
- > Tzu Chi
- > Salvation Army
- > Greensquare Textile Recycling
- > Uniqlo Recycling Box & some other apparel retailers



SHIRT



PANTS



BEDSHEETS &  
BLANKETS



BAGS



CURTAINS

FOR MORE INFO ABOUT CASH-FOR-TRASH, CLICK [HERE](#).

# SUMMARY



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1	PAPER	<b>PRINTED PAPER</b> (Glossy and non-glossy)		
2	PAPER	<b>WRITING PAPER</b>		
3	PAPER	<b>NEWSPAPER</b>		
4	PAPER	<b>FLYER</b> (Glossy and non-glossy)	Make sure it is clean before recycling	
5	PAPER	<b>BROCHURE</b> (Glossy and non-glossy)		
6	PAPER	<b>MAGAZINE</b> (Glossy and non-glossy)		
7	PAPER	<b>BOOKS TEXTBOOKS</b>	Donate if it can be reused	
8	PAPER	<b>TELEPHONE DIRECTORY</b>		
9	PAPER	<b>ENVELOPE</b> (with and without plastic window)		
10	PAPER	<b>RED PACKET</b>		
11	PAPER	<b>NAMECARD</b>		
12	PAPER	<b>CALENDAR</b>	Make sure it is clean before recycling	
13	PAPER	<b>GREETING CARD</b>		
14	PAPER	<b>GIFT WRAPPING PAPER</b>		
15	PAPER	<b>SHREDDED PAPER</b>		
16	PAPER	<b>PAPER RECEIPT</b>		
17	PAPER	<b>CARTON BOX CARDBOARD BOX</b>	Please flatten before recycling	

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18	PAPER	<b>PAPER PACKAGING PRINTED PAPER BOX PAPER BOX</b>	✓ Please flatten before recycling	
19	PAPER	<b>EGG TRAYS</b>	✓ Make sure it is clean before recycling	
20	PAPER	<b>BEVERAGE CARTON</b> - Milk carton - Drink packet - Juice packet	✓ Please empty, rinse and flatten before recycling	
21	PAPER	<b>PAPER TOWEL TUBE TOILET ROLL TUBE</b>	✓ Make sure it is clean before recycling	
22	PAPER	<b>TISSUE BOX</b>	✓ Please flatten before recycling	
23	PAPER	<b>PAPER BAG</b>	✓ Make sure it is clean before recycling	
24	PAPER	<b>PAPER DISPOSABLES</b> - Paper cup - Paper plate - Glitter paper - Crayon drawing		
25	PAPER	<b>TISSUE PAPER</b>		
26	PAPER	<b>PAPER TOWEL</b>		
27	PAPER	<b>TOILET PAPER</b>		Dispose as general waste
28	PAPER	<b>DISPOSABLE WOODEN CHOPSTICKS WOODEN CHOPSTICKS PIZZA BOXES</b>		
29	PAPER	<b>WAX PAPER</b>		
30	PAPER	<b>PAPER PACKAGING CONTAMINATED WITH FOOD</b>		

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31	F&B PLASTIC	<b>PLASTIC BOTTLE</b> <b>PLASTIC CONTAINER</b> - Mineral water bottle - Soft drink bottle - Carbonated drink bottle - Milk bottle - Water bottle - Medicine bottle	✓  Please empty and rinse before recycling	
32	NON-FOOD PLASTIC	<b>SHAMPOO BOTTLE</b> <b>BODYWASH BOTTLE</b> <b>FACIAL CLEANSER BOTTLE</b> <b>DETERGENT BOTTLE</b> <b>SOAP BOTTLE</b>		
33	PLASTIC	<b>CD/DVD</b> <b>CD/DVD CASING</b>		
34	PLASTIC	<b>PLASTIC BAG</b> <b>TOILET PAPER PACKAGING</b> <b>TISSUE BOX PACKAGING</b>	✓  Make sure it is clean before recycling	
35	PLASTIC	<b>PLASTIC FILM</b> - Magazine wrapper - Plastic packaging for packet drink <b>BUBBLE WRAP</b> <b>FRUIT BOX</b> <b>ZIPLOCK BAG</b>		
36	PLASTIC	<b>PLASTIC PACKAGING</b> <b>BREAD BAG</b> <b>EGG TRAYS</b>	✓  Please empty contents before recycling	
37	PLASTIC	<b>PLASTIC CLOTHES HANGER</b>	✓  Make sure it is clean before recycling	
38	PLASTIC	<b>PLASTIC TAKEAWAY</b> <b>FOOD CONTAINER</b> <b>PLASTIC CUPS</b> <b>BUBBLE TEA CUPS</b>	✓  Please empty and rinse before recycling	
39	PLASTIC	<b>POLYSTYRENE FOAM PRODUCT</b> <b>STYROFOAM</b> <b>STYROFOAM CUP</b> <b>STYROFOAM CLAMSHELL CONTAINER</b>		Dispose as general waste
40	PLASTIC	<b>PLASTIC DISPOSABLES</b> <b>PLASTIC CUTLERY</b> <b>PLASTIC CROCKERY</b>		

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41	PLASTIC	<b>PLASTIC PACKAGING WITH FOIL POTATO CHIP BAGS EMPTY BLISTER PACK BLISTER PACK EXPIRED CREDIT CARDS</b>		
42	PLASTIC	<b>OXO-DEGRADABLE BAG BIO-DEGRADABLE BAG</b>		
43	PLASTIC	<b>DRINKING STRAW</b>		
44	PLASTIC	<b>CASSETTE VIDEO TAPE</b>		Dispose as general waste
45	PLASTIC	<b>PLASTIC PACKAGING CONTAMINATED WITH FOOD/OIL STAINS</b>		
46	PLASTIC	<b>MELAMINE PRODUCTS</b> - Melamine cups - Melamine plates		
47	GLASS	<b>BEVERAGE GLASS BOTTLE</b> - Beer bottle - Wine bottle - Liquor bottle		
48	GLASS	<b>FOOD GLASS BOTTLE</b> - Sauce bottle - Condiment bottle - Jam spread bottle - Food jars	✓ Please empty and rinse before recycling	
49	GLASS	<b>COSMETIC GLASS BOTTLE PERFUME GLASS BOTTLE</b>		
50	GLASS	<b>MEDICINE GLASS BOTTLE SUPPLEMENT GLASS BOTTLE</b>		
51	GLASS	<b>GLASSWARE</b> - Glass cup - Glass plate - Drinking glass - Wine glass	✓ Make sure it is clean before recycling	
52	GLASS	<b>BOROSILICATE GLASSWARE PYREX GLASSWARE BAKEWARE TEMPERED GLASS OVEN-SAFE FOOD CONTAINERS CRYSTAL GLASS GLASS WITH METAL WIRES</b>		Dispose as general waste
53	GLASS	<b>WINDOWS</b>		

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54	GLASS	MIRRORS		
55	GLASS	<b>CERAMIC PRODUCT</b> - Ceramic plate - Tea pot - Porcelain		Donate if it can be reused
56	GLASS	<b>LIGHT BULB</b> - Lamp - Tube - Incandescent lamp - Incandescent bulb - Fluorescent lamp - Fluorescent bulb - LED lamp - LED bulb		Can be recycled at e-waste collection points <a href="#">here</a> .
57	METAL	<b>BEVERAGE METAL CAN</b> - Carbonated drink can - Soft drink can - Beer can	✓	
58	METAL	<b>FOOD METAL CAN</b> - Biscuit tin - Food tin - Metal container	Please empty and rinse when necessary Rusted metals should be disposed as general waste	
59	METAL	<b>MEDALS</b>	✓	
60	METAL	<b>METAL BOTTLE CAP</b>	Make sure it is clean before recycling Rusted metals should be disposed as general waste	
61	METAL	<b>AEROSOL CAN</b>	✓ Please empty contents before recycling	
62	METAL	<b>CLEAN ALUMINIUM TRAY</b> <b>CLEAN ALUMINIUM FOIL</b>	✓ Please empty and rinse before recycling	
63	METAL	<b>NON-FOOD METAL CONTAINER</b> - Paint container - Paint cans	✓ Please empty contents before recycling Rusted metals should be disposed as general waste	
64	METAL	<b>RUSTY METAL CANS</b> <b>DIRTY ALUMINIUM FOIL</b> <b>DIRTY ALUMINIUM TRAY</b>		Dispose as general waste
65	METAL	<b>METAL CUTLERY</b> <b>STEEL WOOL</b> <b>METAL ACCESSORIES</b>	✓ Make sure that they are completely metal	

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66	OTHERS	<b>ICT EQUIPMENT</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Desktop computer</li> <li>- Laptop</li> <li>- Tablet computer</li> <li>- Mobile phone</li> <li>- Computer battery</li> <li>- Mobile phone battery</li> <li>- Printer</li> <li>- Modem</li> <li>- Router</li> <li>- Desktop monitor</li> <li>- Docking station</li> <li>- Hard disk drive</li> <li>- Battery charger</li> <li>- Portable charger</li> <li>- Power bank,</li> <li>- Electronic cables</li> <li>- Computer mouse</li> <li>- Keyboard</li> </ul>		Can be recycled at e-waste collection points <a href="#">here</a> .
67	OTHERS	<b>ELECTRONIC WASTE</b> (e.g. Used mobile phone, tablet, laptop)		
68	OTHERS	<b>RECHARGEABLE BATTERY</b>		
69	OTHERS	<b>HOUSEHOLD BATTERY ALKALINE BATTERY</b>		
70	OTHERS	<b>REFRIGERATOR WASHING MACHINE DRYER TELEVISION AIR CONDITIONER</b>		These can be recycled through: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Retailer 1-for-1 Take-back</li> <li>- Bulky item removal service by TCs for HDB residents</li> <li>- E-waste collection drive (Quarterly)</li> <li>- Doorstep collection (fees may apply)</li> </ul> To find out where you can recycle your e-waste, visit <a href="#">here</a> .
71	OTHERS	<b>ELECTRIC MOBILITY DEVICES</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Personal mobility devices</li> <li>- Electric scooter</li> <li>- Electric bicycle</li> <li>- Power-assisted bicycle</li> <li>- Electric mobility scooter</li> </ul>		
72	OTHERS	<b>RICE COOKER MICROWAVE OVEN TOASTER OVEN ELECTRIC KETTLE FOOD PROCESSOR FOOD BLENDER ELECTRIC FAN STANDING FAN CD/DVD PLAYER MUSIC PLAYER SPEAKER AUDIO SOUND SYSTEM RADIO VACUUM CLEANER GAMING CONSOLE</b>		These e-waste items can be recycled through: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- E-waste bins (non-ALBA)* (items must fit the opening of bins)</li> <li>- Retailer 1-for-1 Take-back</li> <li>- Bulky item removal service by TCs for HDB residents (small items are not applicable)</li> <li>- Cash-for-Trash stations organised by Public Waste Collectors (please contact your PWCs to check that they are able to accept the e-waste)</li> </ul> To find out where you can recycle your e-waste, visit <a href="#">here</a> .

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73	OTHERS	<b>LAMP STAND LAMP FIXTURE</b>		<p>While the lamp bulb can be disposed in the e-waste bin, lamp fixture and stand should be recycled through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Retailer 1-for-1 Take-back</li> <li>- Bulky item removal service by TCs for HDB residents</li> <li>- Doorstep collection (fees may apply)</li> </ul> <p>*Please note that small household appliances will be collected and recycled under recycling programmes organised under the National Voluntary Partnership for the Proper Management of Non-Regulated Used Household Electrical/Electronic Products.</p>
74	OTHERS	<b>SPORTS SHOES SCHOOL SHOES FOOTBALL SHOES</b> (without metal studs)		<p>Repair or donate your used shoes as far as possible.</p> <p>These are part of the permanent used shoe collection drive:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- ActiveSG Sport Centres</li> <li>- Decathlon</li> <li>- Selected Public Parks</li> <li>- Selected Recreation Clubs</li> <li>and more!</li> </ul> <p>For more information, visit <a href="#">here</a>.</p>
75	OTHERS	<b>CLOTHES SHOES</b> (other than those listed in #74) <b>BAG TOY UMBRELLA SPECTACLES TEXTILE CURTAINS BEDSHEET BLANKET</b>		Old items should be donated if they are in good condition.
76	OTHERS	<b>PLANT WASTE HORTICULTURAL WASTE</b>		<b>Only for landed estates:</b> bag and place outside your unit on collection days
77	OTHERS	<b>LUGGAGE BAG</b>		Donate if it is in good condition
78	OTHERS	<b>BULKY WASTE FURNITURE</b>		Donate if it is in good condition or contact Town Council to remove from your residential premises
80	OTHERS	<b>FOOD WASTE</b>		
81	OTHERS	<b>LEFTOVER MEDICINE</b>		Dispose as general waste
82	OTHERS	<b>DIAPER SANITARY PAD</b>		
83	OTHERS	<b>STATIONERY PEN PENCIL</b>		Donate if it is in good condition