

Your recycling & refuse collection guide

Your collection day is

	food tins & drink cans
	mixed glass bottles & jars
	plastic bottles & containers
	mixed paper & card
	cartons
	cardboard



Herefordshire Council offer a simple recycling & refuse collection service which has helped the county to recycle over 40% of our waste. This guide is designed to help you use these services correctly and we'd like to thank you for your contribution in working towards recycling more.

Your Collection Service



Here's how... You sort...

- Place all items for recycling loose in your green recycling bin
- Items for recycling should be rinsed out
- Do not squash bottles or tins
- Keep paper and card flat

	food tins & drink cans		mixed paper & card
	mixed glass bottles & jars		cartons
	plastic bottles & containers		cardboard

We collect...

All items for recycling



Rubbish



Collected once a fortnight on the same day as your black sacks

Collected weekly

- Your collections will be from the boundary of your property, nearest the public highway
- Ensure your sacks / green recycling bin are ready for collection by 6:30am on the day of your collection or no earlier than the night before
- Assisted collections can be arranged for elderly and disabled residents please call **01432 260051** for more information
- Visit www.herefordshire.gov.uk/recycling to look up your collection day and recycling week or call us on **01432 260051**.

Together we recycle!

If you do not have a recycling bin or sacks please call us on **01432 260051**.

Don't forget

- Any items placed in your black rubbish sacks will not be recycled and are taken for disposal
- Please do not put needles or blades in your recycling or black sack collection
Please call for advice on how to correctly dispose of these items.

Households exempt from wheeled bin collections

If you have a recycling sack collection unfortunately we cannot collect your glass bottles and jars. If you would prefer a recycling bin, can store it on your own property and present it at the boundary of your property nearest to the public highway then please call us to make a request.

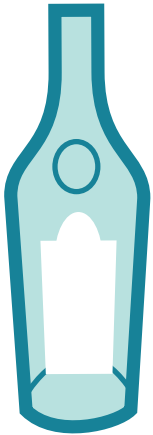
What can I recycle?



food tins
drink cans
aerosol cans
sweet / biscuit tins
metal jar lids

- ! Rinse tins and cans
- ! Push sharp lids inside tins

Tip - Labels can be left on
Tip - No need to squash



glass bottles
glass jar

- ! Rinse bottles and jars
- ! No lids, corks or caps

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All plastic bottles e.g.
drinks bottles
milk / juice bottles
detergent / fabric conditioner
bottles
cleaning / bleach bottles
toiletty bottles

Plastic containers e.g.
yogurt pots
margarine / ice cream tubs
fruit / vegetable punnets
plastic meat / fish trays
cream / custard pots
cake / pastry trays
soup / sauce pots
egg boxes

- ! Rinse bottles and containers
- ! No black plastic
- ! No tops, lids, pumps, film, foil etc

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Tip - No need to squash

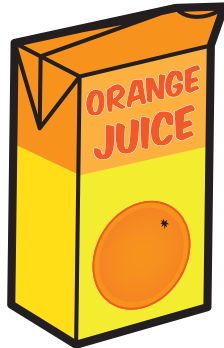




newspapers / magazines
phone directories
catalogues / brochures
junk mail / leaflets
letters
greetings cards
envelopes

! Keep paper flat
! Remove plastic wrappers

Tip - You can compost your shredded paper at home



All cartons e.g.
milk / juice / smoothie cartons
fabric conditioner cartons
soup / chopped tomatoes cartons
custard cartons

! Rinse cartons

Tip - No need to squash
Tip - Plastic spouts can be left on



thin cardboard boxes
e.g. cereal boxes,
ready meal boxes
corrugated / thick
cardboard boxes
egg boxes
kitchen / toilet roll tubes



! Flatten cardboard boxes and tubes
! Remove inner packaging

Please remember...

- Flatten Cardboard boxes and tubes
- No need to flatten drinks cartons, bottles or cans
- Rinse out any containers
- Push sharp ring pulls into cans.

No thank you...

- × Carrier bags & plastic film
- × Black plastic
- × Foil
- × Lids, corks or caps.



Your questions answered...

Q. Can I put shredded paper into my recycling bin?

A. Shredded paper is difficult to recycle so please shred only sensitive information. Place this inside an old envelope before placing into your recycling bin. Home composting your shredded paper is a much better way of dealing with it and helps make excellent compost.

Q. Why can't I put textiles into my recycling collection?

A. Textiles will get spoilt if mixed with the other recycling items so please donate textiles to charity for re use or place into a textiles recycling bank.

Q. Can I recycle carrier bags and plastic film?

A. No these cannot be recycled in the kerbside recycling service. They can however be taken to many major supermarkets which have a carrier bag recycling bank, often near the entrance or trollies.

Markets for recyclables are constantly changing. For up to date details of where your recycling goes visit www.envirosort.co.uk

What does my recycling become?



New cans, parts for cars, aeroplanes and lots of other new metal items!



New bottles and jars, or it can be used in making new roads!



New packaging, fleece clothing, pipes, outdoor furniture and lots of other plastic items!



All your paper becomes newspapers; cardboard is made into new cardboard packaging!



The paper is separated and used to make new paper products. The plastic parts are either further separated or used as a fuel to power the mill!

Garden cuttings and trimmings

Home composting

We encourage home composting as the best way of treating garden cuttings and trimmings because compost is a natural process that transforms your kitchen and garden waste into a free valuable and nutrient rich food for your garden.

For more information on home composting please visit our web site.



Collection

We do not accept garden waste in your black sacks but you can take your garden waste free of charge to your nearest household recycling centre for composting (see back page for map).

If you do need a collection of garden waste, we will collect it if you use the special Herefordshire Council green garden waste sacks. These can be purchased for 60p each from Herefordshire Council Customer Service Centres, Brockington Offices, libraries in Hereford, Leominster, Ross-on-Wye, Ledbury, Belmont, Colwall, Weobley and Leintwardine, Eardisley Post Office or Marden Post Office.

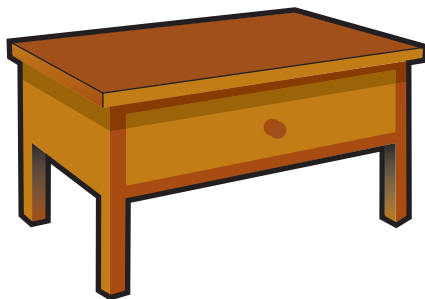
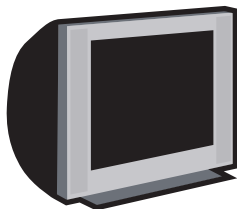
You should place these special green garden waste sacks out for collection on your normal waste collection day.



Large item collection

Household items which are too large to fit into a black refuse sack can be collected at a charge of £20 for 3 items and £5 per additional item.

Please call us to arrange a collection.



Recycle More

You can recycle more specific household items such as batteries, furniture, electrical items, bicycles and fluorescent tubes /energy saving light bulbs by taking them to a Household Recycling Centre.



Please visit the web site for opening times and a full list of items accepted at each site.

Please remember that charity shops and re-use organisations also accept donations of items including books, cd's, clothes, crockery, ornamental items and accessories which will be sold to raise funds for their cause.

For more information on recycling and
waste minimisation please visit:
www.herefordshire.gov.uk
or call: **01432 260051**