

# Your new recycling services

From  
March  
2020



 Cotswold recycles



COTSWOLD  
DISTRICT COUNCIL

# What's happening

## More and more people in the Cotswolds are recycling. Now we're making it even easier!

From March 2020, we're improving your recycling collections so you can recycle more. We need your help to ensure that recycling is presented in the right containers. This will enable us to keep the items separate on the vehicle and help maintain the quality of materials sent for reprocessing.

This guide provides information on what you can and can't recycle. Please read carefully as some items will need to go into different containers.

Your collection day may have changed so please check the enclosed letter and calendar for more information.

**Please ensure that you present all of your containers at the kerbside by 7am on your collection day.**

## Food waste

Simply line your green kitchen caddy with compostable bags or newspaper. Alternatively, you can use old plastic supermarket carrier bags, bread and sandwich bags. **REMEMBER**, food waste can no longer be put into garden waste bins.



**Need a kitchen caddy? Call 01285 623123 or email [cdc@cotswold.gov.uk](mailto:cdc@cotswold.gov.uk)**

**Collected weekly**

# Cardboard

This replaces your existing cardboard bag and should be used to recycle brown corrugated card (remove tape), grey and white card and greeting cards. All cardboard **MUST** be contained within the blue bag for it to be collected.



If you have not received your new food waste bin or blue bag by 6 March 2020 please call 01285 623123 or email [cdc@cotswold.gov.uk](mailto:cdc@cotswold.gov.uk)

## Mixed recycling

Use your current white recycling bag for tins, cans, empty aerosols, clean foil, plastic bottles, tubs, punnets, pots, trays and **NEW** cartons (Tetra Pak).



Wash and squash bottles to give you room to recycle more.

**NO THANKS** X Other metal objects X Crisp packets X Paper coffee/  
beverage cups X Plastic film/wrappers/bags  
X Pet food pouches

# Glass

Use one of your recycling boxes to recycle your glass bottles and jars.



**NO THANKS** X Broken glass X Toughened glass (i.e. glass panes, Pyrex) X Drinking glasses/tumblers X Lightbulbs X Fluorescent tubes

# Paper

Use your other box to recycle paper, envelopes, catalogues, newspapers and magazines. Help us to reduce litter by putting the lid on your paper box.



**NO THANKS** X Card and cardboard (use your blue bag) X Cartons (use your white bag) X Plastic film/wrappers

**You can also recycle plain wrapping paper in your box (remove tape. No glitter/foil paper).**

**If you don't have a second box please contact us on:  
01285 623123 or email [cdc@cotswold.gov.uk](mailto:cdc@cotswold.gov.uk)**

# Small electricals

Small electrical and electronic appliances must be presented in an old supermarket carrier bag or similar and placed inside either recycling box with the lid on to keep them clean and dry. Tie the handles to help keep the contents dry.

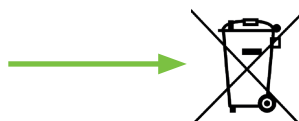
Use the carrier bag to present kitchen appliances, home appliances, personal care/grooming appliances, children's toys, mobile and digital phones, cameras, games consoles, tablets, e-readers, fairy lights, electrical cables and chargers.



**NO THANKS** X TVs and monitors X Light bulbs  
X Fluorescent tubes X Large appliances

**Please do not put out larger appliances for collection as these cannot be collected on the recycling vehicle.**

Look out for the crossed out wheeled bin symbol on your appliance. This indicates that the item should not be disposed of in the grey refuse bin.



# Household batteries

Batteries need to be bagged separately from the electrical appliances. Please put your bagged batteries inside either recycling box with the lid on.

We accept AAA, AA, C, D, 9v, button, mobile and laptop batteries.



**NO THANKS** X Car or motorbike batteries

# Textiles and shoes

Textiles and shoes must be bagged. Please use an old carrier bag or similar and bag shoes separately from textiles. Tie bag handles and place inside either recycling box with the lid on to keep them clean and dry.



**NO THANKS** X Wet textiles X Heavily soiled fabric (oily rags etc)  
X Pillows X Duvets X Cushions X Rugs and carpets

We accept a wide range of textiles including:  
Clothing, hats, gloves, belts, scarves and handbags

Don't forget to continue  
to support your local  
charity shops and the  
great work they do.  
Unwanted textiles can  
also be recycled in our  
clothing and shoe banks.

## Household Recycling Centre and bulky waste collections

If you have excess recyclables, household waste or large items you can take them to the Household Recycling Centre at Fosse Cross (north of Cirencester, off the A429 near the Hare and Hounds, GL54 4NW). **Please note:** The site is closed on Tuesdays.

Alternatively, we offer a bulky waste collection service for larger items such as white goods, mattresses, dining room furniture and large electrical items for a small charge. To book a collection please call **01285 623123**.

To find out more about what you can recycle at the Household Recycling Centre visit:  [www.recycleforgloucestershire.com](http://www.recycleforgloucestershire.com)

# Garden waste

From March 2020, garden waste will be collected fortnightly (instead of weekly). Due to changes in how food waste is treated, you will no longer be able to put any food waste in your garden wheeled bin (if you subscribe to the service).

Garden bins containing food waste from March 2020 will not be emptied.

Garden waste is only collected from properties which have paid to receive this service. The subscription charge is a fixed price for 12 months.

Kerbside garden waste collections are a convenient way to dispose of your garden waste - such as grass cuttings, plants, leaves and hedge prunings.



- YES PLEASE** ✓ Lawn cuttings ✓ Tree and hedge prunings
- ✓ Garden plants and weeds ✓ Leaves, twigs and bark
- ✓ Small amounts of herbivore pet (e.g.hamster or rabbit) bedding
- ✓ Christmas trees (please reduce to 1m or smaller)
- ✓ Small amounts of windfall fruit (this is not classed as food waste)

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**NO THANKS** X Soil, rubble and stones X Paper  
X Dog faeces X Cardboard X Food waste



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# Refuse (non-recyclable)

Refuse must be presented inside your council-issue grey wheeled bin. You cannot put out your own sacks for collection. Refuse left either beside or on top of the bin will not be collected.

Households with more than five occupants or that can demonstrate a genuine need, may request an additional bin (subject to assessment).

Properties which cannot accommodate a wheeled bin (such as flats) are supplied with 100 beige council-issue refuse sacks each year.

**Additional refuse?** You can purchase beige refuse sacks from us for times when you may have extra non-recyclable waste. Only council-issue sacks may be put out for collection.



**Allow hot ashes to cool before placing in your bin. For the safety of the crew, make sure the lid of your bin is fully closed.**

**NO THANKS** **X** Garden waste **X** Items which can be recycled at the kerbside (including food waste) **X** Liquids (i.e. paint, oil)  
**X** Trade waste (even if you operate a business from home)  
**X** Building waste, rubble, soil or plasterboard

## Need more information

01285 623123

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