### Black bin - General rubbish

Black wheeled bin - fortnightly collection.

All non-recyclable waste (general rubbish) goes into your black wheeled bin.



#### Other items you can add:

- waxed or laminated paper/card
- Pyrex and glassware (securely tied in a bag)
- toothpaste tubes

#### Please be aware:

• we will only collect the rubbish contained inside the bin with the lid shut flat we cannot collect any additional waste presented alongside or on top of your black bin.

#### Also please note that:

- shredded paper can be added to your home compost
- plastic bags can be recycled at most supermarkets
- plant pots can be recycled at your household waste recycling centre



## Blue bin - Mixed recycling

Blue wheeled bin - fortnightly collection

Rinse out any soiled packaging in your dishwater.

Please place recycling **loose** in your blue bin or blue bag **not** in a separate bag.



- soft plastics (plastic carrier bags, bubble wrap, cling film and plastic film)
- polystyrene packaging
- paper and cardboard (this goes in your green or black recycling box)
- shredded paper (can be added to your home compost)
- plant pots (can be recycled at your household waste recycling centre)
- Pyrex or glassware (drinking glasses and tumblers)
- general rubbish

All the above should go in the Black bin (or as alternatively suggested)

You **cannot** use plastic, paper or corn starch bags to line the whole or part of the bin. Plastic, paper and corn starch bags are not accepted at the recycling facility. Ensure that the correct materials go into appropriate bin or bags. Bins or bags contaminated with the wrong material cannot be emptied and a tag will be left to explain.

Broken glass bottles and jars can be recycled. If breakages occur when glass is placed into the blue bin it will still be accepted.



# **Green bin - Green (garden) waste Green wheeled bin - fortnightly collection**

We will collect and compost the following materials:

#### Winter Advice - Frozen green waste

Sudden drops in temperature result in some garden waste freezing inside the green wheeled bins. This prevents emptying bins that are frozen.

You can help by loosening the materials inside the bin before presenting it for collection. Try not to over fill or over pack the bin - this compacts the garden waste. The more compact it is, the more likely it is to freeze. Try to keep the lids closed to reduce moisture build up. If you are able to keep the garden bin in a garage or shed, this can also help prevent the waste freezing.



Please be careful not to overload your green bin, or compress green waste into it. Overweight bins will not be taken and if contents are pressed down in the container, it may not empty completely. Crews will not return under these circumstances. Please note all branches must be no more than thumb width size.

We will be unable to empty your bin if it contains the wrong material.

If you prefer to compost your waste at home to use in the garden, more information relating to the latest home composting offers can be found by visiting the following website Recycle Now Home Composting

# Brown food waste bin - weekly collection

Every household will have two containers for food waste - the silver coloured caddy is to be used in the kitchen to capture any food waste, scraps or leftovers you might produce. Once full you should empty the contents of the silver kitchen caddy into the larger brown food waste bin. We will empty the brown food waste bin every week.

Please do not wrap food waste in newspaper, kitchen roll or plastic bags. Only approved compostable bags can be used if you chose to line your silver coloured kitchen caddy, or alternatively deposit the material in loose.



How to manage your food waste container effectively

- Do not leave food waste uncovered before you place it in the silver kitchen caddy as flies can lay eggs during this time
- Use a compostable bag to line your food waste caddy
- Try to remove some of the moisture from the food before it goes into the silver food waste caddy, for example squeezing excess water from teabags.
- If you use compostable bags to contain your food waste then squeeze the air out once they are full. The lack of air should reduce smells by slowing down decomposition. Keep the lids of the containers closed at all times and on the brown food waste bin keep the handles in the locked position
- The silver food waste caddy and brown bin ought to be kept clean. Simply rinse them out in your used dish water. The silver caddy is dishwasher safe
- If possible try to keep your silver food waste caddy and your brown food waste bin in the shade, out of direct sunlight which might warm up the waste, making it smell and possibly attract flies
- Make sure you keep your bin lid closed at all times to prevent animals and flies getting in. Maggots will only appear
  in the bin if flies have laid eggs on a food source. If the bin is broken please contact the joint waste team on 01494
  586 550 or wasteteam@chiltern.gov.uk to arrange a replacement. Please note charges may apply for replacement
  containers
- Some essential oils such as citronella and tea tree oil are natural insect repellents. Try smearing your bin lid with one of these if flies are a problem.



# **Green Box - Paper and cardboard Green recycling box - fortnightly collection**

Whether it is in a green or black recycling box. Place any of the following materials loose into your box:



Many of us will have extra recycling over Christmas and the New Year. Remember that you can use your paper recycling boxes for your Christmas cards, non-foil wrapping paper and cardboard boxes.

If you do have more paper and cardboard than your boxes can hold, you can place any extra out in cardboard boxes next to your recycling boxes.

### Pink sacks and clear bags - Separate textile and battery collection

#### **Textiles**

Pink sacks - collected as and when required on your recycling collection day.

Unwanted textiles, including clothing, linen and pairs of shoes can be recycled from your kerbside. Use the red sacks provided as and when required and when full place them on top of your blue bin or reusable bag for collection. The textile recycling sacks will be replaced as you use them.



NO

- Soiled clothing
- Dirty clothing
- Greasy clothing

#### Batteries (small clear bags) - as and when required on your recycling collection day

Used household batteries can be placed into the small plastic bag provided. Please seal the bag with the sticky strip and place it on top of your blue wheeled bin or blue reusable bag on the appropriate collection day.

As with textile sacks, these bags will only be used occasionally and will be replaced as you use them.



NO

- Leaking batteries
- Car batteries