

Your rubbish and recycling guide

2017



www.cornwall.gov.uk/recycling

Dear resident

Your area was originally selected in 2015 to take part in a trial to test if it is possible to extend the recycling collections to include plastic pots tubs and trays.

We are delighted to report that the trial was a success with more people recycling more material. The system is now being rolled out across all of Cornwall. Please continue to recycle your plastic pots tubs and trays, and thank you for helping to make the trial such a success.

Please note these services are not provided for businesses including commercial waste from self-catering holiday accommodation.

Business owners must arrange and pay for their own rubbish and recycling collection. If your premises is used for this purpose further advice be found via the following link. www.rightwasterightplace.com

Recycling collection calendar

Your recycling will be collected during the following weeks.

To check your collection day, go online at www.cornwall.gov.uk/my-area or call **0300 1234 141**.

Recycling date: week 2

September				
M	T	W	T	F
4	5	6	7	8
18	19	20	21	22

October				
M	T	W	T	F
2	3	4	5	6
16	17	18	19	20
30	31			

November				
M	T	W	T	F
			1	2
13	14	15	16	16
27	28	29	30	

December				
M	T	W	T	F
				1
11	12	13	14	15
25	26	27	28	29

January 2018				
M	T	W	T	F
8	9	10	11	12
22	23	24	25	26

February				
M	T	W	T	F
5	6	7	8	9
19	20	21	22	23

March				
M	T	W	T	F
5	6	7	8	9
19	20	21	22	23

April				
M	T	W	T	F
2	10	11	12	13
16	24	25	26	27
30				

May				
M	T	W	T	F
1	2	3	4	
14	15	16	17	18
28	29	30	31	

June				
M	T	W	T	F
11	12	13	14	15
25	26	27	28	29

July				
M	T	W	T	F
9	10	11	12	13
23	24	25	26	27

August				
M	T	W	T	F
6	7	8	9	10
20	21	22	23	24

This year recycling collections that fall on 25 December, Christmas Day and 26 December, Boxing Day will be collected on Saturday 30 December.

Rubbish due to be collected on Christmas Day and Boxing Day will be collected the following week.

Have your recycling available for collection from 7.00am on your collection day.

What else can I recycle?

Garden waste

Garden waste must not be put into the normal rubbish. You can compost your garden waste yourself at home, take it to one of the Household Waste and Recycling Centres or use the garden waste collection service.

Find out more at

www.cornwall.gov.uk/gardenwaste



Recycling centres (HWRC's)

There are 13 centres in Cornwall where you take household waste that cannot be collected either by the domestic waste or recycling collections.

Further details at

www.cornwall.gov.uk/hwrc



Bulky household waste

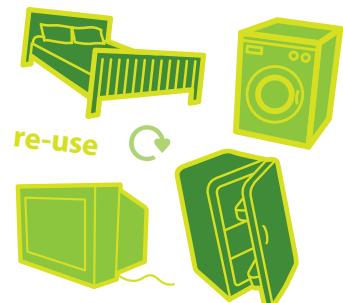
This is for items that are too large to be collected in the general rubbish collection, or for people who cannot transport them to the household waste recycling centres themselves.

You can arrange a bulky waste collection online.

For more information go to

www.cornwall.gov.uk/bulkywaste

where you can find a list of items we can and cannot collect.



Your household recycling service

We collect your recycling once a fortnight on the same day as your rubbish. **Collections start at 7.00am.** To ensure your recycling is collected, it needs to be at your collection point by 7.00am. Please take a moment to check that you are recycling everything that you can.

Recycling containers

Every property should have a recycling box and three reusable bags for the different materials. If you do not have all of the containers, or need extras, they are available to collect at some of our Information Points or go online at www.cornwall.gov.uk/recycling or call **0300 1234 141** to arrange for a delivery. This can take up to two weeks.

Bag for plastic bottles, pots, tubs and trays, cans, food tins and aluminium foil.

**Plastic bottles, pots tubs and trays
drinks cans, food tins (please rinse out), aerosols, clean aluminium foil and jar lids.**

No black plastic, plastic bags or films, crisp packets, pet food pouches, flower pots, any container bigger than 3 litres or expanded polystyrene.



household plastic packaging



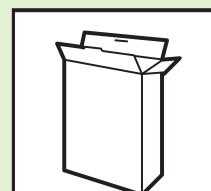
household metal packaging

Bag for cardboard

Brown, white and grey cardboard, brown paper, coloured paper, wrapping paper (non shiny) and greetings cards.

Please remove any staples, sticky tape or plastic.

Any cardboard that you cannot get into the bag, please flat pack and tie in a bundle with string.



cardboard

Bag for paper

Newspapers, magazines, telephone directories including Yellow Pages, catalogues and brochures, junk mail, white office paper, white envelopes

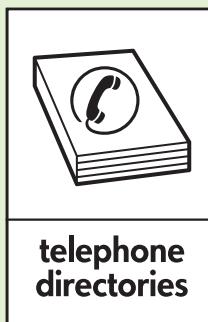
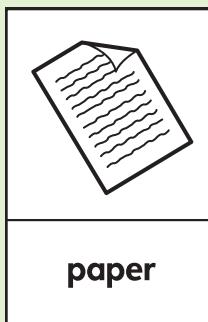
paperback books

and pages from hard back books.

Hard back covers can go into your bag for cardboard.

Shredded paper.

Must be placed into a tied plastic bag and put into the bag for paper.



Box for glass and textiles

Glass bottles and jars

To avoid injuring yourself or the collection crews, please always use the box to recycle glass bottles and jars.

Any broken glass, Pyrex and Ceramics should be wrapped carefully, clearly labelled and **placed next to your rubbish bin.**



Window glass - Take to your local recycling centre (HWRC - see page 3).

Textiles

Clean dry clothing, shoes, towels, sheets (no duvets or pillows) can be placed into a plastic bag to keep dry and put on top of your box.

Clothing does not have to be reusable, but it must be clean and dry.

We cannot collect drink/juice cartons or tetra packs at this time.

If you are expecting a much larger amount of recycling than usual due to a party or a large delivery, please contact us and we will make sure it's collected with your normal collection.

Rubbish

All rubbish that is put out for collection must be contained in disposable plastic bags. **Collections start from 7.00am.** To ensure your rubbish is collected it needs to be placed at your collection point by 7.00am.

Protecting your rubbish

It is every householders responsibility to protect their own rubbish until it is collected. To avoid attacks by animals you can place your bagged rubbish out for collection in a traditional dustbin which can be bought from most hardware stores. If you cannot use a dustbin, reusable seagull proof sacks can be purchased for £3.50 each from some of our Information Centres.

The rubbish collection service is only provided for household non-recyclable, and non-hazardous rubbish that can fit into a standard plastic rubbish sack.

Please see below how other items should be treated.

Asbestos, rubble, plasterboard and tyres: Take to your local Household Waste and Recycling Centre (HWRC - page 3) - you will be charged for the disposal of these items.

Batteries: Use local collection points or the HWRC (see www.recyclenow.com)

Bulky waste (large items, e.g. tables, chairs, prams): Take to your local HWRC or you can arrange a bulky waste collection (page 3).

Clinical waste including needles: Contact the Council to arrange a free of charge clinical waste collection www.cornwall.gov.uk/clinicalwaste

Chemicals (including paint): Take to your local HWRC (page 3)

Electrical equipment (e.g. TVs, microwaves, DVD players): Take to your local HWRC or you can arrange a bulky waste collection (page 3).

Garden waste: This can be either composted at home (page 7), taken to the HWRC or you can subscribe to a fortnightly garden waste collection (page 3).

Sharp objects: Rubbish bags are collected by hand, so please **do not include anything that could harm the collection crews.** If you have something sharp like broken glass, put it into a rigid container, or wrap it securely and place it beside your bags with a clear label explaining what it is. If the collection crews believe that an item is dangerous, they will not collect it.

Want to reduce your rubbish even more?

Recycling is very important and we need everyone to recycle as much as possible, but if we can reduce what becomes rubbish it is even better.

Love Food, Hate Waste

We estimate that around 35% of black bag rubbish is food waste. Throwing good food away costs the average person in the UK around £200 a year, and the average family £700.

The Love Food, Hate Waste campaign has lots of information on how to save money and reduce food waste. A good starting point is writing a shopping list and sticking to what is on it.

Go to www.lovefoodhatewaste.com for lots of ideas and help.



Home composting

There is food waste that we can't reduce or eat. However, things like eggshells, pineapple skin, tea bags, apple cores and vegetable peelings can all be composted. Most garden waste and some other household rubbish can go into a home compost bin.

We have special offers on some bins, including a big discount on Green Johanna bins that can accept a wider range of food waste.

www.getcomposting.com or call **0844 571 4444** and quote **COR/009/L**.



Other ways to reduce waste

- Join a local reuse forum such as Freecycle or Freegle.
- Use charity shops, car boot sales and online auction sites to pass on clothes and bric-a-brac.
- Consider using washable nappies.
- Sign up to www.mpsonline.org.uk to reduce junk mail.
- Check the Council's website for the garden waste minimisation guide and other advice on rubbish reduction.
www.cornwall.gov.uk/recycling

Have you considered using a reusable water bottle?

Reusable bottles are a great way to reduce the use of plastic bottles.



And save money!

If undelivered return to:

Cornwall Council
New County Hall
Treyew Road
Truro
TR1 3AY

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