



## Recycle for Dorset Service Policy

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## 1 | Introduction

This document details the service policies for Recycle for Dorset, the uniform recycling and residual waste service for Dorset. The Recycle for Dorset service is provided by the Dorset Waste Partnership (DWP) on behalf of its partner authorities.

The implementation of Recycle for Dorset has contributed to the DWP delivering over £4.5 million in savings since its formation in 2011 to 2016. Furthermore the service has increased the kerbside recycling rate from 29% in 2011 to 57% in 2015/16.

This service policy fully supports the aims and objectives of the Dorset Waste Partnership, as set out in its Business Plan and the Revised Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy for Dorset. They are:

- Maintaining customer satisfaction
- Investigate further options for cashable savings
- Encourage application of the waste hierarchy
- Meet our statutory requirements
- Seek to work in partnership

This is the third version of the policy following implementation of the scheme to all properties in Dorset and transition to a 'business as usual' position in 2015/16. The policy will continue to be kept under review.

## 2 | About the service

### 2.1 Frequency and materials collected

The Recycle for Dorset service comprises:

- a weekly collection of food waste (cooked and uncooked)
- a fortnightly mixed recycling collection (paper, card, plastic bottles, plastic pots, plastic tubs and plastic trays, tins/cans and aerosols)
- a fortnightly glass collection
- a fortnightly rubbish collection of non-recyclable waste

\*please note an optional fortnightly charged garden waste service is also available to Dorset residents.

Please see the appendices for further definition and expanded lists of what can and cannot be put into each container.

### 2.2 Opting out of the service

If a resident decides they do not want to participate in the service they may decide not to use the service. However, they would then be required to dispose of their own waste and in a legal and safe manner.

### 2.3 Appeals

Where a resident wishes to apply for non-standard arrangements for waste and recycling collections they must make an application to the DWP. Officers will make decisions in line with this policy in the first instance. Appeals against refusal decisions should be made in writing to DWP Appeals. Appeals will be considered by a senior officer of minimum Manager level.

## 3 | Standard service – provision of wheeled bins

All households are required to present their rubbish and recycling in containers issued by the DWP. The only exception to this is where a property meets one or more of the criteria listed in Section 4 below and following an assessment by a DWP officer may be offered an alternative service.

### 3.1 The standard provision of containers

- 240 litre grey wheeled bin with a green lid for mixed recycling
- 40 litre green kerbside recycling box for glass bottles. (Batteries placed in a small recycling bag, to be presented on the top of the contents of the recycling box)
- 23 litre lockable brown caddy for food waste (with a 7 litre caddy to use in the kitchen)
- 140 litre grey wheeled bin with a grey lid for non-recyclable, residual waste.

The standard residual waste bin will provide sufficient capacity for the majority of households provided appropriate use is made of the other containers supplied. There are certain circumstance where additional capacity may be provided. These are identified in **Section 7**.

## 4 | Non-standard service – authorised sack scheme

Some properties may not be suitable for the range of containers provided as standard. If a property meets one or more of the following criteria, it will be deemed unsuitable for wheeled bins and an alternative service will be provided. However, householders may still wish to use the wheeled containers even if their property meets one or more of these criteria.

### 4.1 Criteria

- The property is physically incapable of storing wheeled bins **anywhere** within its boundary
- There is no alternative but to wheel the bins through the property **and** no alternative access or storage point
- Where the wheeled bin must be brought up or down a series of steps that would present a safety risk or unreasonable difficulty **and** there is no alternative access or storage point
- Where there is no suitable point outside or near to the property to present the wheeled bin for collection
- Any other exceptional circumstances as requested by residents and agreed by the DWP

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If householders notify the DWP that their property meets one or more of the above criteria DWP officers will assess each application and advise accordingly.

### 4.2 Authorised sack scheme

If a property meets at least one of the criteria above, the DWP may provide the following alternative to the standard wheeled bins:

- authorised sacks for residual waste to be collected every fortnight (table 1 indicates the number of authorised sacks which may be provided);
- 23 litre container (and kitchen caddy) for food waste to be collected every week; and
- up to three boxes or bags (or a mixture of both) for recycling to be collected every fortnight. One to be used for glass, the others for paper, plastic bottles, cans and tins, and cardboard. In addition, a small reusable bag for batteries.

**Table 1 | Alternative collection arrangements**

Household Occupancy	Number of Authorised Sacks/Containers (1 year supply)	
	Residual waste (grey)	Recycling
Up to 4	2 sacks per fortnight	Up to 3 boxes / bags
5	3 sacks per fortnight	Up to 3 boxes / bags
6+	4 sacks per fortnight	Up to 3 boxes / bags

The recycling containers in Table 1 are those to be provided by the DWP. There is no restriction on recycling capacity and other suitable containers may be presented.

With effect from 2017/18 where a household meets the criteria for additional capacity for a large family of five or more an administration and delivery charge will be levied on the first application. Please refer to Section 7 for more information on tailoring capacity.

### 4.3 Annual deliveries

Residents will only receive their entitlement of authorised sacks once each year and this is the household's annual allowance. The expectation is that residents will split this equally throughout the year and the DWP reserves the right to only collect the authorised number of sacks per property per collection. We will not collect waste contained in non-authorised DWP sacks, boxes or other loose rubbish.

### 4.4 Gull Proof Sacks

***It is the resident's responsibility to keep their waste contained securely between collections. In areas where authorised blue rubbish sacks are vulnerable to attack by gulls and/or vermin causing littering, residents may request a gull proof bag in which to protect their blue sacks on collection day.***

***Gull proof bags must not be left out on the highway between collections and once emptied should be returned to the property as soon as possible.***

***Only waste contained in authorised blue rubbish sacks will be collected from gull proof bags. No black sacks, loose waste or small carrier bags will be taken.***

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Gull proof bags are provided free of charge. Where a gull proof bag is lost or damaged; only one free of charge replacement will be granted within any two year period. Additional requests for replacement gull sacks will be subject to a charge.

Where a property is eligible for additional capacity due to medical waste or a larger family the appropriate number of gull proof bags will be provided on request.

### **5 | Collection policies**

#### **5.1 Day of Collection**

The DWP will aim to make all collections, apart from garden waste, on the same day of the week in each area, with recycling and food collected one week and residual waste and food collected on the alternate week. There may be occasions where residual collections will have to take place on a different weekday to recycling, however these will be regarded as exceptions to the normal service, where there are local operational difficulties.

#### **5.2 Bank holidays and Christmas collections**

Collection days change over the Christmas and New Year period. Collections on all other public holidays operate as normal.

On the first collection after the Christmas period a maximum of an additional two sacks of residual waste will be collected if left next to the residual waste bin or authorised sacks. Residents would be required to use their own sacks for this purpose

#### **5.3 Collection calendars**

The DWP does not provide paper copy collection calendars. Details of collection arrangements including a collection day finder is available on the Dorset for you website at: [www.dorsetforyou.com/recycle](http://www.dorsetforyou.com/recycle)

### **6 | Presentation of waste containers**

#### **6.1 Collection point**

Containers should be placed on the kerbside at the boundary/edge of curtilage of the property adjacent to the publicly maintained road, unless otherwise agreed by the DWP. Wheeled bins and containers must be clearly visible with no restrictions to access.

Where a household is on a private street (which includes standard and narrow access) and council collection vehicles have historically accessed this road, the DWP will endeavour to continue to do so. Where the collection is from a private road then permission will be required from the owner. Both for private streets and for private roads DWP will not accept liability for damage caused to the private road/street surface (including verges) where DWP are acting reasonably.

Where it is not possible to access the private road or street (which includes standard and narrow access) or permission is not received, the normal collection point will be at a suitable position on the nearest publicly maintained road or at another point agreed between the household and the DWP. Where the DWP cannot collect from a private road or a private street householders will be contacted concerning the revised collection point.

#### **6.2 Isolated or inaccessible properties (restricted access)**

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Wherever possible, the DWP will endeavour to provide the full standard waste and recycling collection service. In some exceptional circumstances, alternative collection arrangements may have to be made and operational managers will make best endeavours to offer a form of recycling.

### **6.3 Presentation of containers**

Wheeled bins and containers must be clearly visible with no restrictions to access. It is the householders’ responsibility to ensure, where possible, containers are not placed in such a way that they will cause an obstruction to pedestrians and road users.

All wheeled bins and food waste containers must be presented with closed lids. For residual waste, no extra bags, boxes or loose residual waste (side waste) will be collected. It is the householders’ responsibility to return uncollected side waste back to their property. Further policy on side waste (rubbish) is included in Section 8.

Additional recycling will be collected, provided it is in a suitable container, please refer to Section 9.

Containers should not be put out for collection earlier than 6pm on the day before collection, or later than 7am on the day of collection (if your property is in Weymouth, Portland, Chickerell or the surrounding area containers need to be put out no later than 6am on the day of collection). Ideally, wheeled bin handles should be facing towards the road and the food waste container should be left next to the wheeled bin, box or sack.

After the containers are emptied, the collection crew will return them to the position from which they were collected, providing this is suitable and safe. It is the householders’ responsibility to return the containers to within the boundary of their property as soon as possible after they have been emptied and no later than the evening of the day of collection.

## **7 | Tailoring residual waste capacity**

The standard residual waste bin will provide sufficient capacity for the majority of households provided appropriate use is made of the other containers supplied. However, in certain circumstances, some residents may not have sufficient capacity for their residual waste.

Only households conforming to the circumstances detailed in this section can be considered for extra capacity. To be considered for additional capacity, householders must apply to the DWP and may be asked to provide supporting evidence or accept a visit from a DWP officer.

The householder will be required to inform the DWP of any changes in circumstances that mean they no longer meet the requirements of the policy and are no longer entitled to additional capacity. Regular reviews will be conducted to ensure that those who are granted additional capacity still require this and still meet the criteria.

If a new resident moves into a household with a non-standard residual bin, they will be entitled to the standard sized containers.

Identified below are the circumstances where residents can apply for additional residual waste capacity should they meet the criteria.

### **7.1 Larger families**

Families of five or more can apply for a larger bin for residual waste. The DWP will only supply a larger bin for residual waste once satisfied that the household has made every reasonable effort to divert waste through recycling, and that the household requirement for extra capacity is genuine. Extra capacity will be provided as follows:

- Up to four permanent occupants in the household – standard 140-litre residual waste bin
- Five or more permanent occupants in household – 240-litre residual waste bin

With effect from 2017/18 where a household meets the criteria for additional capacity for a large family, an administration and delivery charge will be levied to make this change. Additionally, properties with a larger bin for a larger family are not entitled to apply for additional sacks for disposable nappies. See 7.2.

### **7.2 Children in disposable nappies**

The DWP encourages the use of modern washable nappies (real nappies) as an alternative to disposables. Real nappies are widely available and the DWP operates an incentive scheme to help with the financial cost of buying real nappies. However, some families with young children who use disposable nappies may have additional residual waste needs. As a result, the DWP will offer families with small children additional residual waste capacity.

Families with one or more children in disposable nappies under three years of age can apply to the DWP for additional residual waste capacity.

- With effect from 2017/18 only households that are not eligible for additional capacity for a larger family are able to apply for additional sacks for disposable nappies.
- With effect from 2017/18 each application for additional sacks due to disposable nappies will be subject to payment of an administration and delivery charge.

Where applications are approved, the DWP will issue two packs of thirteen authorised sacks to the household. This equates to one additional waste sack per residual waste collection. The purpose of the sack is to increase capacity, not act as a receptacle for used nappies. The householder may place other residual waste within the sack and place used nappies within the wheeled bin. The authorised sack may be presented beside the residual waste wheeled bin. Applications for authorised sacks must be made on an annual basis.

### **7.3 Medical conditions**

The DWP recognises that some residents may have additional waste requirements for medical reasons. Where additional residual waste is generated and the capacity of the standard residual waste bin is not sufficient, householders (or carers on behalf of householders) can apply for additional residual waste capacity. DWP officers may assess each application and work with householders and carers to find an appropriate solution. The DWP will seek to provide householders with additional capacity suitable to the householders needs; this could be additional sacks or bigger containers.

Where additional capacity is no longer required due to a change in circumstances, e.g. a person is admitted to a nursing home, the DWP should be informed.



## 8 | Presentation of side waste (rubbish)

### 8.1 Side waste (rubbish)

The standard residual waste capacity that the DWP provides will be sufficient to hold all household waste that householders produce between collections, provided that appropriate use is made of all the containers supplied. Extra bags, boxes and loose residual waste left next to residual waste bins can attract vermin and create litter. Additional residual waste presented alongside the residual waste bin or authorised sacks will be deemed as 'side waste' and will not be collected.

The exceptions to this policy are:

- When collections have been delayed or cancelled (e.g. suspension of service due to severe weather conditions);
- On the first collection after the Christmas period a maximum of an additional two sacks of residual waste will be collected if left next to the residual waste bin or authorised sacks. Residents would be required to use their own sacks for this purpose.

When side waste is not collected, the crew will leave information explaining why it has not been collected. The collection crew will not return to collect side waste. It is the householders' responsibility to take back uncollected side waste onto their property. Side waste left on the highway will be deemed to be fly tipping.

Additional recycling will be collected. Please refer to Section 9.

Garden waste will not be collected through the standard scheme. Householders may wish to subscribe to the charged fortnightly garden waste collection service.

### 8.2 Collection of Christmas trees

***Residents who subscribe to the optional garden waste collection service can cut up their real Christmas tree and place it in their garden waste bin for collection. Logs or large branches (more than six inches in diameter) cannot be collected.***

***Residents who do not subscribe to the garden waste service but would like their real tree to be composted can take it to their local household recycling centre. Christmas Trees should not be placed in rubbish or recycling bins, or left next to them.***

***The DWP will promote kerbside charity collections of Christmas Trees for those residents willing to pay for a kerbside collection.***

## 9 | Presentation of additional recyclables

### 9.1 Additional recycling

There are no restrictions on the quantity of recyclable materials that households can recycle providing they store and present the materials appropriately. If a resident has additional recycling that will not fit in the recycling bin or box, the DWP will collect this provided it is presented in a suitable container comparable in size, capacity and dimensions to your recycling box. It is the householders' responsibility to return uncollected side waste back to their property.

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If a resident presents additional recycling, paper and card should be kept dry and stored in the wheeled bin. Tins, cans and plastic bottles can be collected from an extra container or recycling box. Glass bottles and jars must be separated from other recycling materials when presented for collection. Glass must not be put in the wheeled bin, as it will contaminate the other materials. The DWP is unable to collect any large pieces of cardboard and this should be taken directly to a Household Recycle Centre by the resident. If this is not possible large cardboard boxes should be broken down and placed loosely in the recycling bin.

If required, householders will be able to purchase additional ‘DWP’ recycling wheeled bins or boxes from the partnership. We will only empty wheeled bins that are provided by the DWP. We cannot accept any liability for loss or damage to any container the householder provides for storage and collection of recyclables. If a replacement recycling box, lid or food caddy is required, residents will be advised to collect these from a network of local collection points wherever possible.

### **9.2 Smaller recycling wheeled bins**

Smaller recycling bins are no longer available as an option for recycle for Dorset. The only exception to this is where there is a clear operational justification for a smaller bin and this is at the discretion of an Operations Manager.

If a new resident moves into a household with a smaller (non-standard) recycling bin they will be entitled to the standard service at no extra cost.

If a householder requests to change from a smaller recycling bin to a standard sized container, and they originally requested a smaller recycling bin, then an administration and delivery fee will be levied to make this change.

## **10 | Assisted collections**

### **10.1 Assisted collection provision**

Inevitably there will be people within the community who require an enhanced level of service with the waste management process due to a number of conditions either on a permanent or temporary basis. It is essential that provision is made to assist these residents.

### **10.2 Applications**

The DWP therefore offers an enhanced level of service in circumstances where all members of the household are genuinely incapacitated either temporarily or permanently or has a physical disability which makes it difficult or impossible to present waste and recycling at the kerbside and either:

- a) there is no other able-bodied person living in the same property over 14 years of age or
- b) no family member, friend or neighbour is available to help wheel the bin to the collection point each week.

As part of these arrangements the applicant will have to:

- i) agree to a permanent alternative collection point and
- ii) if requested to do so, provide proof of incapacity (doctor’s note) and
- iii) allow access to containers for the collection crew from 7am onwards. If your property is in Weymouth, Portland, Chickerell or the surrounding

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area containers need to be put out no later than 6am on the day of collection.

To carry out an assisted collection the collection crew will have to enter private property and the DWP is not liable for any damage caused, unless operatives can be shown to have acted in an unreasonable manner. DWP collection staff are not authorised to enter the residents home.

To apply for an assisted collection residents must make an application using the online form on [dorsetforyou.com](http://dorsetforyou.com) or if they do not have internet access by calling 01305 221040 who will complete the form on their behalf. A home visit may be required.

An annual re-application process for assisted collection applicants will be carried out by the DWP to ensure that support is still needed.

In cases where applications for assisted collections are received from residents living in locations which would require the DWP to access long drives or lanes or move containers extended distances it is possible that the DWP will be unable to comply with that request, or an alternative service or location may be offered. In these cases, the final decision on what service can be provided will be made by the Head of Operations.

### **11 | Missed bins and containers**

#### **11.1 Genuine missed bins**

All bins and containers must be presented for collection by 7am on the day of collection, as the DWP is unable to guarantee what time collection crews will arrive to empty them. If your property is in Weymouth, Portland, Chickereil or the surrounding area containers need to be put out no later than 6am on the day of collection.

Where a bin is presented correctly (correct materials, time, day, place etc.) in accordance with this policy document but has been genuinely missed, the DWP will return to empty it. The DWP will endeavour to collect it within no more than three working days of being notified by the householder. Please do not report a missed bin until after the end of the working day.

#### **11.2 Contaminated bins and containers**

Where the collection crew is unable to empty a container because it has not been presented correctly (e.g. contains contaminating material), they will leave information indicating why it has not been emptied. In this case, the DWP will not return to empty the bin or container prior to the next scheduled collection. The householders will need to remove all contamination from the bin or container before the next scheduled collection or it will not be emptied. Where a genuine mistake has occurred, additional material may be collected at the next planned collection.

Further information regarding the use of each containers, materials that can and cannot be put into each container and contaminants is included in the appendices at the end of this policy.

#### **11.3 Overfilled or overweight bins**

Bins should not be overfilled or too heavy for the collection vehicles and crew to move and lift safely. If waste is too compacted, it may not come out of the bin when it is tipped into the collection vehicle. In this case, it will be left in the bin and it will be the

householders' responsibility to remove this before the next collection. The householders will be expected to remove items that are too heavy to empty.

The householders should make sure that the bin is not overfilled so that the lid can close completely. The DWP will only empty bins that have the lid closed; a part open lid can obstruct the vehicle's lifting equipment and is a health and safety risk.

#### **11.4 Cold weather – materials freezing inside containers**

During very cold weather, materials can freeze inside containers, and on occasion this means they cannot be emptied. This particularly affects organic materials such as food waste. In exceptional weather conditions, particularly snow and ice, collections may be suspended. The DWP will make best endeavours to return as soon as conditions have improved and access is possible. Information about alternative collection arrangements will be kept up to date on [www.dorsetforyou.com](http://www.dorsetforyou.com) and local media where possible.

#### **11.5 Crew unable to access containers**

There are occasions where collection crews are prevented from accessing bins for collection due to poorly parked vehicles, roadworks, etc. Where this is the case, the DWP will make every effort to return once access becomes available and communicate with householders in affected areas. In exceptional circumstances, if a collection vehicle is repeatedly restricted from accessing bins, residents may be requested to take wheeled bins, containers or sacks to an agreed alternative collection point. Collection crews will not normally wheel out several containers from roads to an access point for emptying.

Where there are persistent problems with access, and there is no reasonable expectation of accessing a road or area, the DWP may not return to empty missed bins. In this case, the DWP will seek to resolve the access issues with individuals and agencies such as the police and highways authority. A possible solution may be to agree a designated collection point.

The DWP reserves the right to alter collection schedules if required, e.g. public holidays. Information about alternative collection arrangements will be kept up to date on [www.dorsetforyou.com](http://www.dorsetforyou.com) and in council newsletters.

## **12| Responsibility and ownership of bins and containers**

### **12.1 Ownership of containers**

All bins and other containers supplied by the DWP remain the property of the DWP. All two wheeled bins provided by the DWP will be fitted with an electronic identification tag.

### **12.2 Householder responsibilities**

Householders are responsible for keeping the bins and containers safe, clean and reporting any bins that are damaged, lost or stolen.

### **12.3 DWP responsibilities**

We will replace any containers that become faulty through fair wear and tear. The DWP reserves the right to make a charge to replace any containers damaged because of misuse by the householder. On occasion, wheeled bins are damaged during the collection process. Where this occurs the DWP will replace the wheeled bin as soon as is reasonably practicable, free of charge.

The DWP will remove any containers that are identified as unauthorised or that have previously been reported as lost or stolen from another address.

#### **12.4 Keeping bins clean**

The DWP is not responsible for cleaning bins, residents have the responsibility of keeping their bins clean. There are professional cleaning companies that provide a wheeled bin cleaning services.

### **13 | Moving home**

#### **13.1 Leaving**

If a resident moves house they must leave all bins, boxes, containers and authorised sacks behind in a clean condition ready for the next occupant.

#### **13.2 Moving In**

Residents who have recently moved into a property are entitled to the standard service and they should contact the DWP if they have non-standard sized containers at the property. If the previous occupant has left behind a contaminated bin, the DWP will empty it on the first occasion when notified.

### **14 | Communal properties**

The DWP will seek to provide a service to residents of flats and other communal properties that is equivalent to the standard service. This may include shared bins for recycling, residual waste and food waste. Due to variances in layout of communal properties, each will be assessed by the DWP to agree the collection service to be provided to that location.

In some circumstances, such as large blocks of flats, the DWP will require the name of a contact person for the site and it will be that person's responsibility to notify the DWP of any changes in circumstances or issues that may occur.

Where shared bins are used and the DWP experiences problems of persistent contamination, recycling facilities may be restricted, changed or withdrawn. The DWP reserves the right to charge to clear bins of contaminants.

With effect from 2017/18 there will be a charge for replacement of lost or damaged communal wheeled bins (770l and 1100l bins).

### **15 | New developments**

#### **15.1 Charges for containers for new domestic properties**

With effect from 2017/18 there will be a charge for the provision, administration and delivery of a full set of 'recycle for Dorset' containers where requested for a new build or new domestic rate paying property. The DWP would encourage the developer to fund the provision of containers however where they are not willing to do so the householder will ultimately be required to cover this cost.

#### **15.2 Collections from new developments**

Fewer and fewer new roads are being adopted by the Highways Authority (Dorset County Council) and where they are this can take as long as 24 months after completion. Whilst building is ongoing, the DWP will make every effort to collect from properties where possible. However, each new development will be assessed individually and the following requirements must be met:

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- Where a road is to be adopted, has been completed, and can be safely accessed by collection vehicles, collections will commence. However, collections can only start once a suitable risk assessment has been completed
- For new un-adopted roads, the DWP would provide a service if the landowner offers an indemnity against damage and where there is no significant operational difficulty
- For larger developments, the site will be risk assessed in stages and the DWP will liaise with the developer/site agents to agree suitable collection points to which access can be gained. This may require a number of risk assessments over a period of time
- Any properties that are occupied but cannot be provided with kerbside collections will be required to present their containers at an agreed point
- Adjustments to the service may need to be considered during the interim stages as there may not be any suitable collection points for multiple wheeled bins/boxes etc.

Additional information is available in a separate document ‘recycle for Dorset Guidance for Developers’ regarding the service.

### **16 | Commercial Waste**

Businesses are required to pay for their waste to be collected and disposed of and must not use the household waste service which is funded by council tax. This includes using public litter bins, recycling banks or taking materials to Household Recycling Centres. Regular duty of care checks are carried out by DWP Enforcement Officers to ensure Dorset businesses are legally disposing of their waste.

Businesses run from home (for example B&B's, holiday lets and childminders) must ensure they make separate provision for their business waste and must not use their household waste containers. The Controlled Waste Regulations 2012 classify waste from different types of premises.

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Only food waste may be placed in the food waste container. Ideally, food waste should be put straight into the container, and the container washed out periodically. The DWP understand that some residents would prefer to wrap food before placing it into the container and in this instance the following advice should be adhered to prevent contamination:

- A sheet or two of newspaper can be used to wrap food waste. Other types of paper such as magazines or cardboard are not acceptable;
- Starch or paper compostable liners are available from many supermarkets and local shops. The DWP will only collect food waste containers with liners if they have the following logo;



- No other liners should be used, e.g. plastic bags (including carrier bags marked as biodegradable) as this would contaminate the bin and the DWP will not empty it.

Food waste incorporates all cooked and uncooked food waste including:

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|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| ▪ Meat, fish and bones                | ▪ Cakes, bread and pastries    |
| ▪ Leftovers including plate scrapings | ▪ Tea bags and coffee grounds  |
| ▪ Pasta and rice                      | ▪ Fruit and vegetable peelings |
| ▪ Eggshells                           | ▪ Cheese and dairy produce     |

If any other materials apart from 'food' are found in the food waste container information will be left and the container will not be collected. Oil and other liquids are not permitted in the food waste container.



## Appendix 2 - Recycling Containers

Householders must only put the recycling material as detailed below in their recycling bin and container. Any other material found in the bin and containers will be deemed as contamination and the container may not be collected.

Material collected for recycling will be:

### 240-litre Wheeled Bin

- Paper and light card
- Corrugated cardboard
- Tins, cans and aerosols
- Plastic bottles and food containers, e.g.:
  - Fizzy drink bottles and squash bottles
  - Milk bottles
  - Detergent bottles
  - Shampoo and shower gel bottles
  - Yoghurt pots
  - Margarine tubs
  - Ice cream containers
  - Non-polystyrene meat trays

### Kerbside Recycling Box

- Glass bottles and jars
- Batteries (in a plastic battery bag)

If any other materials apart from those listed are found in the recycling bin or container, information will be left and the bin or container will not be collected. Plastic collection does not include:

- Plant pots
- Plastic garden furniture
- Carrier bags
- Expanded polystyrene
- Plastic films
- Crisp packets and sweet wrappers
- CD cases

The DWP reserves the right to charge for emptying of contaminated recycling bins if requested to do so.



### Appendix 3 - Residual Waste Containers

Residual waste (rubbish) is the waste that cannot be recycled or composted as part of the standard service. However, some materials cannot be disposed of in the residual waste bin. Residents should not put the following items into the residual waste bin:

- Broken glass unless safely wrapped or contained within a wheeled bin;
- Syringes / clinical waste;
- Garden waste;
- Liquid paint and oil;
- Gas canisters
- Rubble, stone, soil and gravel;
- Commercial waste;
- Hot ashes;
- Hazardous waste.

Separate arrangements may be made for the collection of most of these materials, although a charge may be made. Alternatively, most of these materials may be taken to a local household recycling centre.