

Your recycling and waste services explained

Recycling more of your household waste from the kerbside



Overview of service

West Oxfordshire District Council offers the following waste services:

- Fortnightly collection of dry recycling (paper, cardboard, tins, cans, foil, empty aerosols, plastic bottles, punnets, trays and tubs, cartons, glass jars and bottles, textiles, plus small appliances and household batteries)
- Weekly food waste recycling
- Fortnightly refuse collection
- Residents can also opt in to our charged for garden waste service, collected each fortnight

Most households will have recycling, food waste and garden waste (if subscribed) collected on one week and refuse and food waste collected on the other week.



Please ensure you present all of your containers at the kerbside by 6am on your collection day.

You can find out what days your collections are due by visiting: www.westoxon.gov.uk/binday

Food waste

Remove all packaging

Simply line your silver kitchen caddy with compostable bags or newspaper. Alternatively, you can use old plastic supermarket carrier bags, bread and sandwich bags or put food in loose. Use your caddy for all food waste (i.e. raw and cooked food, meat, fish, dairy produce, stale pet food, tea bags, veg peelings, plate scrapings). Once your kitchen caddy is full, transfer the contents to your black outdoor caddy.



Yes Please



Collected weekly

Need containers? Order online at www.westoxon.gov.uk

Mixed recycling

Use your black bin with the blue lid to recycle: paper, grey card, brown corrugated cardboard, shredded paper, cartons (such as Tetra Pak), plastic bottles, plastic tubs, pots and trays, clean foil, empty aerosols, metal drinks cans, food tins and sweet/biscuit tins.



Bin lid must be closed. **Items must be loose in the bin in order for us to collect.**

Extra cardboard (no more than a recycling box load) can be left loose next to your bin on collection day. Cardboard should be flattened and reduced in size.

Extra recycling can also be put out in a clear plastic bag and left next to your bin but not inside. Larger households can request a larger recycling bin if required.

Wash and squash plastic bottles and flatten your cardboard to give you room to recycle more.

No thank you

We understand that residents want to recycle as much as possible. However, putting the wrong items in your recycling bin can reduce the quality of the materials we collect and undo all the good work which is being done.

Please check this list if you are unsure of what needs to be left out of the recycling bin:

- X Polystyrene**
- X Plastic film/wrappers /bags**
- X Cards with glitter, foil & ribbon**
- X Crisp packets & sweet wrappers**
- X Nappies**
- X Other metal objects**
- X Hard plastics (i.e. plant pots)**
- X Bubble wrap**
- X Paper coffee/beverage cups**
- X Pet/baby food pouches**
- X Tissue paper**
- X Paint-spray aerosols**

Have we missed you? Report missed collections within 2 working days. Report online at www.westoxon.gov.uk

Glass

Use your black recycling box to recycle your glass bottles and jars to keep them separate from your other recyclables. Metal lids should go in the black bin with the blue lid.



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

Small electricals

Anything which has a plug, batteries or requires charging can be recycled in your black box - just so long as it's small enough to fit inside. Do not mix your glass with your electricals. Either use a separate black box or only put out electricals on weeks when you have no glass to recycle.

Small electrical and electronic items include: kitchen appliances, home appliances, personal care/grooming appliances, children's toys, mobile and digital phones, cameras, games consoles, tablets, e-readers, fairy lights, DIY power tools, remote controls, electrical cables and chargers.



NO THANKS X TVs and monitors X Lightbulbs
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 kept separate from the electrical appliances. Please put your batteries inside an old envelope and leave this on top of your recycling bin.

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 tie the bag handles to keep items clean and dry. Using a clear carrier bag is not compulsory but helps our crews identify items which can't be accepted.

Bags of textiles and shoes must be presented beside the recycling bin - not in it.



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,
curtains and bed sheets.

Don't forget
to continue to
support your local
charity shops and
the great work
they do.

Household Recycling Centre

If you have excess household waste, garden waste, recyclables or large items you can take them to Oxfordshire County Council's Household Recycling Centre at Dix Pit, Linch Hill, Stanton Harcourt OX29 5BB (use OX29 5UX for sat nav).

There is no need to pre-book your visit.

Many items could be donated or repaired. Oxfordshire Recycles' online Waste Wizard can direct you to your nearest reuse points and repair cafes. Simply go online and look up your item to find out the best way to dispose of it:

 www.westoxon.gov.uk/wastewizard

To find out more about what you can recycle at the Household Recycling Centre visit: www.oxfordshire.gov.uk

Bulky waste

We also 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 and for more information please call **01993 861025**.



Garden waste

Garden waste is only collected from properties which have paid to receive this service. The subscription charge is a fixed price for 12 months and collections are made each fortnight (with the exception of Christmas and New Year when collections are usually suspended).

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



Collected fortnightly

Yes Please



- 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)

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. Refuse bins are emptied each fortnight.

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

Depending on the number of occupants, flats are provided with communal waste and recycling bins.

Properties which cannot accommodate a wheeled bin are supplied with 100 grey council-issue refuse sacks per year. Sacks are collected weekly.

Additional refuse? Additional waste can be taken to the Household Recycling Centre at Dix Pit, Stanton Harcourt.



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

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