



Perth WA Recycling Guide

Metro Council Recycling bins (kerb side)

<https://recycleright.wa.gov.au/>

What can be recycled via kerbside yellow lidded bins

- Glass bottles and jars - Clean, empty, no lids
- Paper - Not shredded
- Cardboard - Flattened
- Plastic bottles and containers - Clean, empty, no lids
- Steel and aluminium cans - Clean and empty

What can't be recycled via kerbside yellow lidded bins

- No aerosol cans or gas bottles
- No batteries or electronic waste
- No clothes or textiles
- No garden or food waste
- No materials in bags
- No coffee cups
- No nappies
- No plastic bags or films
- No ropes, cables or hose
- No silver lined long life milk and juice containers
- No meat trays

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REDcycle

<https://www.redcycle.net.au/what-to-redcycle/>

A quick way to decide whether your soft plastics can go in the REDcycle bins at Coles and Woolworths supermarkets is to do the scrunch test.

If it is soft plastic and can be scrunched into a ball, it can be put in the REDcycle bin. If it is not plastic OR is plastic and can't be scrunched into a ball, it can't be recycled via REDcycleClean.

What can be recycled via REDcycle

- Biscuit packets (outer wrapper only)
- Bread bags (without the tie)
- Bubble wrap (large sheets cut into A3 size pieces)
- Cat and dog food pouches (as clean and dry as possible)
- Cellophane from bunches of flowers (cut into A3 size pieces)
- Cereal box liners
- Chip and cracker packets (silver lined)
- Chocolate and snack bar wrappers
- Cling film - GLAD, COLES HOME brand and WOOLWORTHS Essentials Home brand ONLY
- Confectionery bags
- Document sleeves (remove the white reinforcement strip along the holes)
- Dry pet food bags
- Fresh produce bags
- Frozen food bags
- Green bags (Polypropylene Bags)
- Ice cream wrappers
- Large sheets of plastic that furniture comes wrapped in (cut into A3 size pieces)

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What can be recycled via REDcycle (cont.)

- Netting produce bags (any metal clips removed)
- Newspaper and magazine wrap
- Pasta bags
- Pet food bags (chaff/horse/chicken) - both the plastic and woven polypropylene types (but not woven nylon). Cut into A3 size pieces and shake free of as much product as possible
- Plastic Australia Post satchels
- Plastic carrier bags from all stores
- Plastic film wrap from grocery items such as nappies and toilet paper
- Plastic sachets
- Potting mix and compost bags - both the plastic and woven polypropylene types (cut into A3 size pieces and free of as much product as possible)
- Rice bags - both plastic and the woven type (if large, cut into A3 size pieces)
- Snap lock bags / zip lock bags
- Squeeze pouches with lid on (e.g. yogurt/baby food)
- Wine/water bladders - clear plastic ones only
- Please make sure your plastic is dry and as empty as possible and no sticky soft plastic like stickers and Sellotape can be put in the bins.

What can't be recycled via REDcycle

- Plastic bottles
- Plastic containers
- Any rigid plastic such as meat trays, biscuit trays or strawberry punnets
- Adhesive tape
- Balloons (of any kind)
- Bathroom/shower loofahs
- Biodegradable/degradable/compostable plastics
- Blister packs, tablets and capsule packaging

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What can't be recycled via REDcycle (cont.)

- Blow up pool, pool toys or beds - plastic or PVC
- Bread bag tags
- Christmas tinsel and Christmas trees
- Cling film - with the EXCEPTION OF GLAD, COLES HOME brand and WOOLWORTHS Essentials Home brand
- Coffee bags
- Cooler bags
- Disposable food handling gloves of any variety
- Drinking straws
- Film negatives and x-rays
- Fishing line
- Foam or polystyrene of any kind (including soft flexible foam)
- Foil / Alfoil of any kind
- Food waste
- Glass
- Laminated materials and overhead transparencies
- Medical waste materials
- Nylon - woven, soft or fishing line
- Paper and cardboard
- Paper post packs
- Plastic/clear vinyl packaging from sheets and doonas etc
- Plastic packaging that has contained meat
- Plastic strapping used for securing boxes and pallets
- Polyester of any kind
- Powdered milk packets, made of foil
- PVC
- Rope of any variety
- Rubber, rubber gloves, latex
- Solar pool covers
- Tarpaulins
- Tin cans
- VHS Tape
- Vinyl - any type of vinyl packaging
- Wet plastic materials as mould is a problem for us
- Wine/water bladders - foil based
- Wrapping paper and cardboard, ribbons or bows

Please note that the REDcycle Program has been developed for post consumer household plastic. Participating supermarkets are not obliged to accept large volumes of commercial plastic waste.

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Terracycle

<https://www.terracycle.com/en-AU/>

There are a wide range of free and paid Terracycle programs available, which can be found at the website listed above. The website also has a map detailing collection points: <http://www.terracyclemap.com>

Community Collection Hubs are recycling stations that everyone can access to drop off items for TerraCycle's free recycling programs. Examples include schools, community centres, workplaces and shops.

Other forms of Terracycles collection are in store drop off programs to take back post consumer waste produced from products from that store.

Terracycle Zero Waste Boxes can also be purchased to collect and recycle different types of waste produced at your home, office etc.

Greenbatch

<https://www.greenbatch.com/>

Greenbatch Foundation partners with schools, businesses and community members to create a Recycling Collections Network to collect #1 PET and #2 HDPE plastics.

What can be recycled via Greenbatch

- PET (1) plastics (no bigger than 3L)
- HDPE (2) plastics (no bigger than 3L)
- Plastic bottle lids (no bigger than 5cm and with foam insert removed)
- Aluminium drink cans
- Glass bottles without metal lids
- Bread tags

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How it works (Greenbatch cont)

- Wash eligible household waste items of any liquid or food
- Place these items into a designated bag or bin for Greenbatch
- Sort them into categories by item type before they are booked in for a collection
- Register online as a collection point; there are minimum bag collections that apply
- Request a collection (minimums apply)
- Greenbatch has multiple bag drop locations in the Perth metro area that can be found at: <https://www.greenbatch.com/collectionlocations>
- The Containers for Change initiative rewards your recycling efforts with a 10 cent refund for every eligible drink container you return and information can be found at: <https://www.greenbatch.com/cfc>

Recycling Hubs

There are many recycling hubs across Perth that are drop off locations for a range of Terracycle and hard to recycle items.

The Recycle Right WA website has a lot of information about recycling in WA and includes a 'Find my Nearest' search page to search up where you can recycle all items in Perth, and will list recycling hubs in your search if one is close by. You select the material you're looking to recycle, add your address and the furthest distance you'll travel and then search:

<https://recycleright.wa.gov.au/find-my-nearest/>

