

TIMARU



DISTRICT COUNCIL

Te Kaunihera ā-Rohe
o Te Tihi o Maru

What's in your bin?



**Play your part in looking after Aotearoa
and reducing the amount of waste
that is sent to landfill.**

One of the best ways to look after our environment is to know what goes in your **green organics**, **yellow recycling**, **blue glass recycling**, and **red rubbish** wheelie bins.

Putting waste in the recycling bins will contaminate recyclables. It may also harm workers who sort your recycling by hand. All contaminated recycling goes to landfill.



How do I know what to put in each wheelie bin?

- Visit the Timaru District Council website: timaru.govt.nz/whatsinyourbin
- Keep this brochure handy

Bin placement

- **Bins need to be put out before 6am on collection day**
- **Put bins close to the kerb and at least 0.5 metres apart (enough to stand between them)**
- **Please put the smallest bin first in driver's approach**
- **Rural bins: offset bins slightly for clearer driver vision**
- **Bin handles facing the footpath**
- **Bins should be unobstructed by vehicles, trees or power poles**
- **Close lids**
- **80kg maximum weight**

If you have problems with positioning your bin on the kerbside, live in units or flats with space constraints, or have other special circumstances, please contact the Council on 03 687 7200.

Bin collection

Your green organics bin can be put out weekly and your red rubbish, or yellow recycling and blue glass, go out on alternate weeks. Your bin collection day depends on where you live or work in the Timaru District. See the South Zone calendar or the North Zone calendar for your bin schedules. Your bin doesn't need to be full to be collected but the lid must be able to shut. For bins that are missed by the collection truck, please contact the Council on 03 687 7200.

Lost, damaged or stolen bins

The bins are allocated to a property and must stay with the property even if you shift.

For bins that are damaged (e.g. split side or broken handles), missing or stolen, contact the Council on 03 687 7200.

You will be required to pay costs only if the bin is damaged (or lost) due to negligence.

What's in your organics bin?

The organics bin is for food and garden waste.

All food waste



Meat and bones



Garden waste



Do not include these in your organics bin:

- Plastic bags, wrap or strapping
- Hot or cooled ashes
- Treated wood, sawdust or shavings
- Bamboo, cabbage tree leaves, rhubarb leaves, flax and palm leaves

Put them in your **red rubbish bin**.

80
kg

Maximum bin weight is 80kg. Heavy bins will be stickered and will not be picked up.

Organics bin – weekly pickup

Handy Hints

- Place materials loosely in the bin so that it will be emptied completely. Do not stomp or compact your waste
- The composting system destroys weeds, seeds and pathogens.



What's in your recycling bin?

Rinse and clean all containers. Recycling must be loose not bagged. Put lids in the red rubbish bin.

1, 2 and 5 plastics

Check your plastics for a triangle with a number in it



Paper



Cardboard

Flatten boxes



Steel and aluminium cans



Do not include these in your recycling bin:

- Disposable nappies and sanitary items
- Soft plastics
- Drink cartons
- Lids, caps, pumps and spray triggers
- Aerosol cans (steel and aluminium)
- Aluminium foils and trays

Put them in your **red rubbish bin**.

Keep the verticle space above bins clear.



Recycling Bin – Fortnightly Pickup

Handy Hints

- Flatten boxes to make more room
- Clean plastic bottles by rinsing with dishwater
- Putting rubbish in the yellow recycling bin will contaminate recyclables. Contaminated recycling goes to landfill.



What's in your glass recycling bin?

Glass bottles and jars need to go in the blue glass recycling bin, not your yellow recycling bin.

Glass bottles

Rinsed, no lids



Glass jars

Rinsed, no lids



DO NOT include these in your glass recycling bin:

- Windscreen glass
- Oven safe glassware
- Drinking glasses
- Mirror or plate glass

Put them in your **red rubbish bin**.

- **Light bulbs**
LED and Ecobulb LED, and Fluorescent light bulbs can be taken to a resource recovery park.
- **Lids and caps**
Put plastic lids in your red rubbish bin. Metal lids and caps can be saved and taken to a resource recovery park.

Glass recycling bin – fortnightly pickup

Handy Hints

- Clean glass bottles and jars by rinsing with dishwater
- Your bin doesn't need to be full to be collected
- Jars can be sterilised and reused for preserves. Take them to a resource recovery park, or use them yourself!



What's in your rubbish bin?

Your rubbish bin should only contain general household waste.

Soft plastic wrappers and bags



Disposable nappies and sanitary items



Flax, palm and cabbage tree leaves



Drinking glasses, mirrors and plate glass



General waste

e.g. takeaway cups, old clothes, garden hoses



Do not include these in your rubbish bin:

- Batteries – all
- Paint
- Electronic devices
- Hazardous chemicals
- Reusable items

Take the above items to a resource recovery park.

Reusable clothing, shoes and textiles can be dropped off to a clothing bin or charity.

Rubbish bin – fortnightly pickup

Handy Hints

- Extra rubbish placed next to or on top of your bin will not be collected
- Place dust from sanders, sweepings and vacuum cleaners into bag
- **Hot ashes:** Put hot ashes on your garden to cool, or place in a metal bucket away from buildings, for 7 days, before using on your garden or placing in your red bin
- Bag all waste to reduce litter.



What about items that can't go in your bins?

Items that can't fit or aren't allowed in your bins can be taken to a transfer station or resource recovery park.

Many items are accepted at **no charge**:

- **All batteries:** including car and truck
- **Hazardous wastes:** a limit of 20 litres or 20 kgs applies to domestic customers only
- **Paint:** Dulux paint to Dulux Stores, Resene to Resene stores and either brand can go to our transfer stations.
- **Waste motor oil:** drop-off at all transfer stations except Pleasant Point. Maximum 20 litres
- **Reusable or pre-loved items in good condition:** all transfer stations
- **Metals:** all transfer stations and Scrap Metal Yard, Redruth Street, Timaru
- **Whiteware:** all transfer stations and Scrap Metal Yard, Redruth Street, Timaru
- **Standard household recyclables**
- **Polystyrene and cardboard**
- **E-scrap:** anything with a cord or cable including laptops (excluding TVs and computer monitors)

Some charges apply:

- **Tyres**
- **Televisions and computer monitors**
- **Child car seat recycling**
- **Garden and vegetation material**
- **Bricks and concrete**

Agrichemical containers and plastics:

agrecovery.co.nz, plasback.co.nz

Each resource recovery park has its own list of what it can accept, so make sure you check before taking your items there. They can be found at the following locations:

- **Redruth Resource Recovery Park**

23 Shaw Street,
Timaru
Mon–Fri 7:30am–4:15pm
Sat–Sun 10am–4:15pm

- **Temuka Transfer Station**

45 Wilmshurst Road,
Temuka
Thurs and Sat 10am–3:45pm

- **Pleasant Point Transfer Station**

23 Beck Road,
Pleasant Point
Weds 2:30–4:15pm
Sat 10am–3:45pm

- **Geraldine Transfer Station**

128 Te Moana Road,
Geraldine
Tues and Sat 10am–3:45pm

Crow's Nest Shop

If you are unable to deliver items, in some cases the Crow's Nest are able to offer a large goods pick-up service. Contact the manager to arrange.

Redruth Street,
Timaru
03 684 9749
Mon–Fri 9am–4.30pm
Sat and Sun 10am–4.30pm

What goes in your bins

◆ Glass Bin
 ● Recycling
 ■ Organics
 ▲ Rubbish Bin
 ✱ Resource Recovery Park

▲ Aerosol cans	▲ Dog poo	✱ Light bulbs – Tungsten and LED
▲ Aluminium foil (Try the scrunch test: if you scrunch the foil in your hand and it stays scrunched up, it is aluminium)	▲ Drinking glasses (broken)	● Magazines
▲ Ashes (cooled for 7 days)	● Egg cartons and trays (clean, dry)	▲ Meat trays – polystyrene
✱ Batteries – all	✱ Electrical appliances	● Meat trays with a number 1 plastic triangle (rinsed)
▲ Biodegradable plastic	▲ Empty engine oil containers	● Milk bottles with a number 2 plastic triangle (no lids)
● Books	▲ Fast food packaging/containers	▲ Mirrors (if broken)
■ Bread, pastries and flour	▲ Fish and chip paper, paper towels and serviettes	● Newspaper and office paper
▲ Bubble wrap	■ Food scraps, fruit and vegetables (including pips)	✱ Oils, e.g. mineral, used engine, gearbox and transmission oil
● Cans (clean)	● Food tins (rinsed)	✱ Paint and chemicals
✱ Car parts and scrap metal	✱ Furniture	▲ Plastic bottles/containers – grades 3, 4, 6, 7 or no grade
● Cardboard boxes	▲ Garden – Bamboo, cabbage tree leaves, rhubarb leaves, flax and palm leaves	● Plastic bottles/containers numbered 1, 2 or 5 (clean, no lids)
✱ (clean and flattened)	▲ Garden pots	▲ Plastic film or wrap – soft plastic
▲ Cartons – milk and juice	■ Garden waste, most cut flowers, pruned branches, leaves and grass clippings (unsprayed)	▲ Plastic ties and strapping
▲ Cat litter	◆ Glass bottles (rinsed, no lids)	▲ Polystyrene, including packaging polystyrene
✱ CDs or DVDs	▲ Glass cookware/ovenware (broken)	✱
✱ Cellphones and smartphones	◆ Glass jars (rinsed, no lids)	▲ Sanitary items
● Cereal boxes (clean and flattened)	▲ Hoses and plastic tubing	▲ Shells and shellfish
▲ Cereal liners	✱ Household appliances	▲ Shredded paper
■ Cheese and butter	▲ Human and animal hair	▲ Smoke alarms (with batteries removed)
✱ Child car seats	● Junk mail	▲ String, twine, rope
▲ Clothing, shoes and textiles Drop off to a clothing bin or charity if it's reusable.	■ Leftover meat, fish and bones	▲ Takeaway cups
■ Coffee grinds & loose tea leaves	▲ Lids – plastic and metal bottle/container lids	▲ Teabags
▲ Coffee pods and sachets	✱ Light bulbs – Fluorescent	▲ Toys
✱ Computers and electronic devices		▲ Window glass (broken)
▲ Crockery, ceramics, porcelain (broken)		▲ Wood – treated, stained, oiled or painted
▲ Disposable nappies		

For more information contact **Timaru District Council**
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