A – Z guide for waste and recycling

Unsure what items go where?

This guide will help you identify what can be recycled or recovered. Find your item on the list and match it with the action key.

Action key

- 1 General waste: red lid bin
- 2 Recycling: yellow lid bin
- 3 Garden organics: green lid bin
- 4 Recycled free at all Waste Management Facilities

Waste type	Action
Acids and alkalis	7
Aerosol cans (empty)	2 4
Aluminium cans	2 4
Aluminium foil	2 4
Animal droppings	1 5
Asbestos	12
Batteries (car)	4 6
Batteries (household)	4 6 7 12
Books	2 4 11 8
Bottles (plastic/glass)	2 4
Bricks	9
Broken glass	1 5
Bubble wrap	1 4
Building materials	9
Cars	9
Cardboard	2 4 10
Carpet	5 8
Chemicals	7
Chip packets	1 5
Cleaning products	7
Cling wrap/soft plastics	1 4
Clothing/textiles	1 4 11 12
Coffee cups	1 5
Computers and accessories 4	
Concrete	9
Cooking oil	4 6
Crockery	1 5 8
Dead animals	9
Disposable nappies	1 5
Drums (empty)	4 8
DVD player	4
Egg cartons	2 4

- 5 General waste at all WMF
- 6 Community Recycling Centre at Surf Beach WMF
- 7 Household chemical cleanout collection
- 8 Hard waste collection

Electronic equipment 4 Exercise equipment 4 8 Fertilisers 7 Fire extinguishers 6 7 Flares 12 Fluorescent tubes 4 6 7 Fridges 4 8 Fruit/vegetable scraps 1 5 10 Fuel 7 7 Furniture 8 9 11 Garden waste 3 10 13 Gas cylinders 6 7 Hot water system 4 8 Jars (plastic/glass) 2 4 Ink cartridges 4 12 Kitty litter 1 5 Lids (< credit card) 1 5 Lids (< credit card) 1 5 Magazines 2 4 11 Mattresses 9 12 Medicines 7 12 12 Mobile phones 4 12 Motor oil 4 6 7 Newspaper 2 <t< th=""><th>Waste type</th><th>Action</th></t<>	Waste type	Action
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More information

Phone the Waste Hotline on 4474 1024 or visit our website www.esc.nsw.gov.au/waste

- 9 Surf Beach and Brou WMF
- 10 Compost bin/worm farm
- 11 Charity
- 12 Call Council on 4474 1024
- 13 Accepted at all WMF

Waste type	Action
Paper towel	1 5 10
Pesticides	7
Pet food tins	2 4
Petrol	7
Pizza boxes (empty)	2 4
Plastic bags	1 4
Plastic containers	2 4
Poisons	7
Polystyrene packaging	1 4
Printers/scanners	4
Scrap metal	4 8
Shredded paper	1 5 10
Smoke detectors	6 7
Soil	12
Solar panels	12 13
Steel cans	2 4
Stereos	4
Televisions	4
Timber	9
Tissues	1 5 10
Toothbrushes/tubes	1 5
Toys	5 8 11
Tree prunings	3 13
Tyres	9
Vacuum cleaner dust	1 5 10
Waxed cardboard	1 5
White goods	4 8
Wrapping paper	2 4 10
X-rays	12

