

# Recycling: get it sorted

Make the most of your  
waste and recycling  
service



# Reduce, reuse and recycle to keep Bristol clean and green.

Don't be rubbish at recycling, check what goes in each of your containers before bin day.

Take items not accepted via our kerbside service to your local Household Reuse and Recycling Centre.



Please place **batteries and small electricals** in clear bags on the lids of your blue or red bag!

## Let's recycle more!

More than half of the average bin in Bristol could have been recycled if the items had been put in the right containers.



## Why is recycling important?



**Number 1 core English city** for recycling **8 years** running



**6 recycled tea bags** generate enough energy to boil a kettle



Glass can be **recycled endlessly!**



It takes **95% less energy** to make a can using recycled aluminium

The average household spends **£1,000 a year** on food that goes straight in the bin

**1 banana skin** generates enough energy to charge 2 mobile phones!



**1,000,000** recycling collections each month

**Less than 2%** of Bristol's waste sent to landfill last year



# Recycling, let's get it sorted!

## Black box



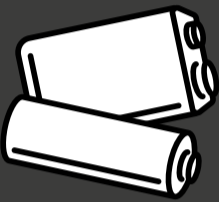
**Glass bottles**  
Rinsed, no lids



**Glass jars**  
Rinsed, no lids



Place items below in separate, untied bags



**Batteries**



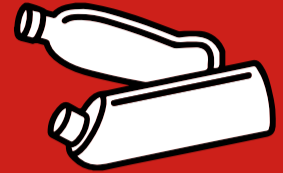
**Small electricals**  
such as toasters, phones  
and controllers

Batteries and small electricals must be clearly separate. This allows our crews to put them safely in the truck, reducing the risk of fires.

## Red bag



**Cans**  
Rinsed and squashed



**Plastic bottles**  
Rinsed and squashed



**Lids and caps**  
Jar lids, shampoo tops, etc.



**Plastic packaging**  
Rinsed food trays.  
No black plastic



**Aerosols**  
Empty. Lids off



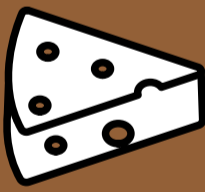
**Foil**  
Rinsed and squashed

## Brown food bin

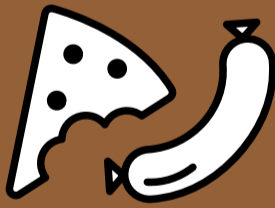
(All cooked and uncooked food)



**Fruit and veg**  
(Peelings, etc.)



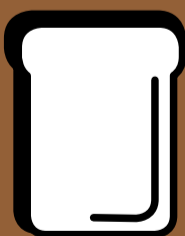
**Cheese  
and dairy**



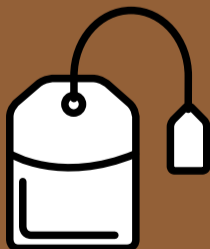
**Plate  
scrapings**



**Meat, fish,  
bones and  
egg shells**



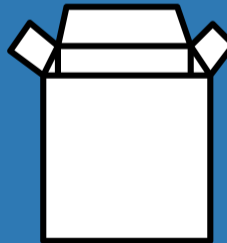
**Bread,  
pasta, rice  
and cereal**



**Coffee  
grounds  
and tea bags**

You can use newspaper, a compostable liner, or reuse an old carrier or bread/veg bag, to line your caddy. Don't include any packaging, including compostable.

## Blue bag



**Boxes**  
Remove tape,  
flatten and fold



**Cartons**  
Rinsed and  
squashed



**Paper**  
All paper  
and magazines



**Cardboard  
tubes**



**Greetings  
cards**  
No glitter

Remove tape, flatten and fold to fit in the bag. No card that has food on it, like dirty pizza boxes. No drinks cups.

Make sure your bins and containers are sorted correctly and out for collection by 6am.

Recycling  
guide inside



Find more recycling  
information as well as  
zero-waste and litter picking  
tips on our website:

[bristolwastecompany.co.uk](http://bristolwastecompany.co.uk)

[bristol.gov.uk/recycle](http://bristol.gov.uk/recycle)

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Together we make  
tomorrow safer, cleaner,  
and more sustainable.



100% recycled.  
Please recycle.



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