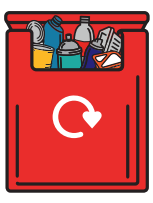
Waste and recycling collection calendar 2026-2027

Your collection day is **Friday**
Reference code: **FRI/W**

Key: ☐ General waste and recycling

Free Christmas tree collections must be booked at bristol.gov.uk/treecollection by 6 January 2027

December '26	4	11	18	29	
January '27	6	12	18	23	29
February	5	12	19	26	
March	5	12	19	26	
April	2	9	16	23	30
May	7	14	21	28	
June	4	11	18	25	
July	2	9	16	23	30
August	6	13	20	27	
September	3	10	17	24	
October	1	8	15	22	29
November	5	12	19	26	
December	3	10	17	24	



Red bag
plastic and metal



Blue bag
paper and card



Black box
glass



Brown bin
food waste



General waste bin
non-recyclable waste only

Find out more at **bristolwastecompany.co.uk**

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- Make sure your bins and recycling containers are sorted correctly and out for collection by 6am (or 5am during periods of hot weather) and bring them in off the street between collections.
- Your general waste black wheelie bin should only be for non-recyclable items and the lid must close. We do not collect waste left next to bins.

Key dates for the festive season

Collections pause on Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day bank holidays, so your bin day will change for a few weeks.

Check your calendar for your temporary December and January bin day.

Paid garden and bulky waste collection services will be suspended after Friday 18 December and will resume Monday 25 January 2027.

Bristol's 3 Household Reuse and Recycling Centres close on the Christmas and New Year bank holidays. Check online for details and to book your visit: **bristol.gov.uk/bookrecycling**

In severe weather our crews work hard to maintain usual services, though sometimes delays will happen when conditions are hazardous.

In instances of severe weather, please check our website and social media for updates.

Helpful links

Visit **bristol.gov.uk/recycle** to:

- Report a missed collection
- Order a new bin, box or bag
- Book a bulky waste collection
- Book the recycling centre
- Book your Christmas tree collection (by 6 January 2027)

Recycling your festive goods



Book Christmas tree collections. You need to book your free Christmas tree collection **by 6 January 2027** so our teams know to collect it. Go to **bristol.gov.uk/treecollection**

You can also take trees to your nearest recycling centre for free or check out charities offering local collections.



Recycle more for Bristol. Half of what's in the average black wheelie bin could have been recycled. Above a quarter is food. By taking an extra moment to put items in the right recycling container, we can make a big difference together for Bristol.



Please remove tape and flatten and fold your cardboard so it fits inside your blue bag.



We are unable to collect wrapping paper or festive cards with glitter on them to be recycled. Refer to manufacturer for recycling instructions.



Use your brown food waste bin for food leftovers, peelings, bones and more to help generate energy for Bristol.



Batteries and fairy lights can be recycled in your black box. Place them in an untied bag inside the box.



To find out more about what goes in each of your recycling containers please go to **bristolwastecompany.co.uk/festive**

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