

A new way to sort waste

From Monday 1 August, food waste will be collected in your green-lidded kerbside waste bin, which is now called your **Food Organics and Garden Organics (FOGO) bin**. Your bin collection days and frequencies will also be changing so we can collect your food waste more often.

Using this information

This brochure is one part of a kit we've delivered to you. The kit contains all the information you need to make the switch to the new waste system, including:

- **A benchtop caddy** and some sample compostable liners to help you collect cooking scraps;
- **This brochure** with information about what to put in each of your kerbside bins from 1 August;
- **A card** containing quick-reference information about collection dates and sorting; and
- **A magnet** to attach the card to your fridge.

For most households, we've also swapped your 120-litre recycling bin for a larger 240-litre bin.

Sorting your waste

Contamination can cause recycling and organic waste to be sent to landfill, so it's important to sort waste correctly. We know Borough residents work hard to put the right items in the right bin, so this brochure contains a detailed guide on the new way to sort waste. You can also download our Borough Bins app or visit our website to search a list of items and sort them correctly.

Information sessions

Join our waste team at an in-person or virtual information session. Ask questions and learn more about sorting your waste.

Session 1: 7pm, Tuesday 12 July
Queenscliff Town Hall

Session 2: 6pm, Tuesday 26 July
Zoom meeting code: 848 9839 7084

Visit Council's website for more information.
No RSVP required.

Making the switch

Week 1:
Starting
Monday
1 August

Start sorting your waste in the new way using the information in this brochure.

New bin collection schedules start this week. Your green-lidded FOGO bin will be collected every week, and your red-lidded landfill bin and yellow-lidded recycling bin will be collected on alternating fortnights.

Your bins will be collected on the same day of the week. This day is the same day your landfill and recycling bins are currently collected. You can check this day on the Borough Bins app or by visiting Council's website at queenscliff.vic.gov.au/bins.

In this first week, your landfill bin will be collected on your normal collection day. Your FOGO bin will also be collected on this day. Your recycling bin will not be collected.

Week 2:
Starting
Monday
8 August

In this second week, your recycling bin will be collected on your normal collection day. Your FOGO bin will also be collected on this day. Your landfill bin will not be collected.

Ongoing

Keep putting your FOGO bin out every week, and your landfill and recycling bins out on alternating fortnights. You will be putting two bins out every week from now on.

Download the Borough Bins app

Our Borough Bins app will give you up-to-date information about your kerbside bin service. Sign up for collection reminders and alerts about disruptions, or search a list of waste items for help sorting your rubbish.



Scan the QR code on the right for more information, or visit the App Store or Google Play Store and search for 'Borough Bins.'



Borough of Queenscliff
Queenscliff & Point Lonsdale, Victoria, Australia

FOGO bin

(240L green-lidded bin)



About this bin

Your green-lidded bin is now a **Food Organics and Garden Organics (FOGO)** bin. In addition to the green garden waste you already put in this bin, from Monday 1 August, you'll be putting food waste in this bin too.

When to put this bin out

This bin will be collected **every week** on the same day of the week as your landfill and recycling bins. There will be no Friday bin collection.

What to put in this bin

✓ Yes

Food waste, including:

- ✓ Bones (but not large dog bones)
- ✓ Bread
- ✓ Cakes and pastries
- ✓ Cereal and grains
- ✓ Cheese
- ✓ Chocolate
- ✓ Citrus
- ✓ Coffee grounds (no coffee filters or pods)
- ✓ Dairy products
- ✓ Eggs and eggshells
- ✓ Flour
- ✓ Food scraps
- ✓ Fruits
- ✓ Jelly

Green waste, including:

- ✓ Branches (small)
- ✓ Flowers
- ✓ Garden clippings
- ✓ Grass clippings
- ✓ Lawn clippings
- ✓ Leaves

Certified compostable bags and liners

(Certified liners will be labelled 'AS 4736')

- ✓ Leftover food
- ✓ Lollies
- ✓ Meat (cooked or raw)
- ✓ Nuts and seeds
- ✓ Onion
- ✓ Out of date food (no packaging)
- ✓ Pasta
- ✓ Rice
- ✓ Salad
- ✓ Seafood (inc. bones and shells)
- ✓ Spoiled food
- ✓ Tea leaves (loose leaf)
- ✓ Vegetables
- ✓ Yoghurt

✗ No

- ✗ Bagged household waste
- ✗ Bio packaging
- ✗ Cardboard
- ✗ Cigarette butts
- ✗ Cling wrap
- ✗ Coffee filters and pods
- ✗ Dirt, soil or sand
- ✗ Foil
- ✗ Garden tools or hoses
- ✗ Icy pole sticks
- ✗ Large dog bones
- ✗ Liquids
- ✗ Logs or stumps
- ✗ Medical waste
- ✗ Nappies or sanitary items
- ✗ Newspaper
- ✗ Packaging
- ✗ Painted or treated timber
- ✗ Paper
- ✗ Paper towels and napkins
- ✗ Pizza boxes
- ✗ Plant pots
- ✗ Plastic
- ✗ Plastic bags (even if labelled 'biodegradable')
- ✗ Shredded paper
- ✗ Skewers and chopsticks
- ✗ Soft plastic packaging
- ✗ Sponges or cloths
- ✗ Stones, rocks, bricks or rubble
- ✗ Tea bags
- ✗ Tissues
- ✗ Toilet rolls
- ✗ Wet wipes

Recycling bin

(240L yellow-lidded bin)



About this bin

Keep using your yellow-lidded recycling bin for all your recyclables. Most households will automatically receive a bigger 240L bin from us so you can recycle just as much when we switch to fortnightly recycling collection.

When to put this bin out

This bin will be collected **every fortnight** on your usual collection day, alternating with your red-lidded landfill bin.

Your first fortnightly collection will be on the week beginning 8 August (there will be no recycling collection on the week beginning 1 August).

What to put in this bin

✓ Yes

Empty, rigid plastics numbered 1, 2 or 5*, including:

- ✓ Berry punnets
- ✓ Biscuit trays
- ✓ Clear plastic meat trays (no black plastic)
- ✓ Detergent and shampoo bottles
- ✓ Milk and other plastic drink bottles
- ✓ Takeaway containers
- ✓ Yoghurt, ice cream and margarine tubs

*Check the bottom of plastic items for a triangle containing this number. Plastic recycling should be larger than a credit card – put smaller plastics (like lids) in the landfill bin.

Paper and cardboard, including:

- ✓ Boxes
- ✓ Egg cartons
- ✓ Envelopes (leave clear windows in)
- ✓ Junk mail
- ✓ Magazines
- ✓ Newspapers
- ✓ Pizza boxes (only the parts without grease)

Metals, including:

- ✓ Aerosol cans (empty)
- ✓ Aluminium foil (golf ball sized or larger)
- ✓ Aluminium foil trays (rinsed clean)
- ✓ Drink cans
- ✓ Metal jar lids
- ✓ Tins and cans

Glass, including:

- ✓ Beer bottles‡
- ✓ Champagne bottles‡
- ✓ Cosmetic jars and bottles (clean)
- ✓ Jars
- ✓ Vitamin bottles
- ✓ Wine bottles‡

‡Remove lids from glass bottles. Heavy magnetic lids (typically from beer bottles) can be placed in the recycling. Thin aluminium lids and corks go in your landfill bin.

✗ No

- ✗ Bagged household waste
- ✗ Batteries†
- ✗ Cardboard drink cartons (for milk, soy milk, coffee or juice)
- ✗ Cling wrap
- ✗ Coffee filters and pods
- ✗ Compostable packaging
- ✗ Crockery and ceramics
- ✗ Cutlery (plastic or metal)
- ✗ Electronic appliances†
- ✗ Foam
- ✗ Food scraps
- ✗ Gas bottles
- ✗ Light globes and tubes
- ✗ Meat trays that are foam or black plastic (only clear plastic trays can be recycled)
- ✗ Medical waste
- ✗ Milk bottle lids
- ✗ Nappies
- ✗ Polystyrene packaging†
- ✗ Plant pots†
- ✗ Plastic bags†
- ✗ Plastic not numbered 1, 2 or 5
- ✗ Pots, pans and cookware
- ✗ Pyrex
- ✗ Shredded paper
- ✗ Small plastics (plastic must be larger than a credit card)
- ✗ Soft plastic packaging†
- ✗ Takeaway coffee cups
- ✗ Tetra paks
- ✗ Tissues
- ✗ Window glass

download the Borough Bins app from the App Store or Google Play Store.

ken to specialist collection points for processing. More information is available on the Borough Bins app.

Landfill bin (120L red-lidded bin)



About this bin

Your landfill bin is where rubbish goes when it can't be recycled or composted.

When to put this bin out

This bin will be collected **every fortnight** on your usual collection day, alternating with your yellow-lidded recycling bin.
Your first fortnightly collection will be on the week beginning 1 August.

What to put in this bin

✓ Yes

- ✓ Baby wipes
- ✓ Cardboard drink cartons (for milk or juice)
- ✓ Cling wrap
- ✓ Coffee filters and pods
- ✓ Crockery
- ✓ Foam
- ✓ Kitty litter (wrapped)
- ✓ Nappies
- ✓ Plastic bags[†]
- ✓ Polystyrene packaging[†]
- ✓ Razors
- ✓ Sanitary products
- ✓ Soft plastic packaging[†]
- ✓ Takeaway coffee cups
- ✓ Tetra paks
- ✓ Tissues
- ✓ Toothbrushes[†]

✗ No

- ✗ Batteries[†]
- ✗ Chemicals
- ✗ Electrical appliances[†]
- ✗ Food waste
- ✗ Green garden waste
- ✗ Liquids
- ✗ Paint and paint tins
- ✗ Recycling
- ✗ Syringes and needles

Benchttop caddy



About the caddy

Keep this caddy on your benchtop. Fill it with food waste as you prepare food, and empty it into your green-lidded FOGO bin every couple of days or as needed.

The caddy stays inside

Don't place this caddy on the kerb. Empty it into your green-lidded FOGO bin and return it to your kitchen bench.

Just like your kerbside bins, the caddy is the property of Council.
Leave the caddy at your property if you move out or sell your house.

Using a liner

Using liners is optional – you can simply rinse the caddy after each use.

If you choose to use liners, they must be certified compostable liners. Look for the Australian Standard 'AS 4736' logo on liner packaging.

Plastic bags are not accepted, even those labelled 'biodegradable.'



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