Recycling in Flats*

* and communal dwellings
Introducing your new recycling service

Chiltern and Wycombe District Council are working together to provide you with a new and improved recycling and rubbish collection. Our target is to recycle 60% of your waste by 2015.

We are making it even easier for you to recycle if you live in a flat, or a communal dwellings.

All flats and communal dwellings will have two different coloured shared bins for mixed recycling and paper & cardboard. Subject to an assessment or request, a separate collection of food waste and compostable garden waste may be made available.

The materials we collect will be taken to a processing plant, where they will be sorted by type and recycled into new products.

Simply put your recycling in the bins provided and we’ll do the rest.

Information for Chiltern residents

Please note that in the Chiltern District the bin colours may be different to the colours shown in the guide. The red and blue bins will gradually be phased in when replacements are needed. All bins will be clearly labelled with coloured bin stickers to show what should be placed in each container.

Please note that there is a charge applicable for the garden waste service to residents who live in the Chiltern District.
Please use the bins below to recycle the material listed in this guide.

Please note: food bins and garden waste bins are subject to an assessment or request. Please note that there is a charge applicable for the garden waste service to residents who live in the Chiltern District.

**Recycling bins**

**Mixed Recycling - red bin**
- foil
- cartons and Tetra Pak
- aerosol spray cans
- glass bottles and jars
- plastic bottles
- food tins and drink cans
- plastic pots, tubs and trays

**Paper and cardboard - blue bin**
- paper
- cardboard packaging
- newspapers
- books
- corrugated cardboard
- junk mail
- toilet roll tubes
- greeting cards

**Food waste**
- dairy
- fish
- pasta and rice
- fruit and vegetables
- egg shells
- tea and coffee grounds
- bread and pastries
- meat and bones

**Garden waste**
- leaves
- grass
- weeds
- small branches
- dead plants
- flowers
- twigs
- tree prunings
Mixed recycling - red bin

The following items can be put into the red bin:

- foil (including foil trays)
- plastic pots, tubs & trays
- cartons (including TetraPak)
- aerosol spray cans
- glass bottles
- glass jars
- plastic bottles
- food tins & drink cans

Please do...

- Rinse any trays, tins, cans, bottles, jars, tubs & pots
- Squash plastic bottles to make space in the bins

Please note only the materials above are accepted. If the red bin is contaminated with the wrong materials we will be unable to empty it. Please put all items in loose.

× We will not accept plastic film and plastic bags
Paper and cardboard - blue bin

The following items can be put into the blue bin:

- books
- newspapers & magazines
- mixed paper
- junk mail & envelopes
- paper
- telephone directories
- cardboard packaging
- toilet & kitchen rolls
- greeting cards
- corrugated cardboard

Only the materials above are accepted. If the blue bin is contaminated with the wrong materials we will be unable to empty it. Please put in all items loose.

× Do not use plastic bags
Food waste

Food waste, from the silver kitchen caddy, can be put into the communal brown bin either loose or wrapped in compostable liners. Please make sure the liners have one of these logos. The following items can be placed in the communal brown bin:

- dairy
- fish
- leftovers
- pasta & rice
- vegetables
- fruit
- tea & coffee grounds
- bread & pastries
- meat & bones
- egg shells

Only the materials above are accepted. If the brown bin is contaminated with the wrong materials we will be unable to empty it.

× Do not wrap food waste in paper and plastic bags, even if degradable
Garden waste (optional)

Subject to an assessment or request a separate collection of compostable garden waste can be made available. Simply contact the Joint Waste Team with your request with the contact details at the back of this leaflet.

Please note that a charge is applicable for this service to residents who live in the Chiltern District.

The following items can be placed into the communal green bin:

- leaves
- grass
- weeds
- small branches
- dead plants & flowers
- twigs & tree prunings

Only the materials above are accepted. If the green bin is contaminated with the wrong materials we will be unable to empty it.

× Do not place food waste in this container
× Do not put noxious plants in the garden waste container
General information

Please:

- Use the general rubbish bin for any waste which cannot be recycled
- Ensure your bin stores remain tidy and access is clear at all times. Only waste put into the appropriate bins will be collected. Waste dumped on the floor will not be removed.
- Consider your neighbours by only using your bins between the hours of 7am and 9pm.

Bulky waste

Large household items can be taken to the local household waste recycling centres. Alternatively, there is a chargeable bulky waste collection service. Terms and conditions apply. Contact the Joint Waste Team with the contact details at the bottom of this page.

Joint Waste Team

Chiltern and Wycombe District Council are working together to deliver a joint waste service to achieve significant annual joint cost saving for both authorities.

For further information or for advice and assistance please contact the Joint Waste Team on 01494 586 550 or email wasteteam@chiltern.gov.uk or wasteteam@wycombe.gov.uk or visit www.chiltern.gov.uk or www.wycombe.gov.uk