

Simpler Recycling: What You Need to Know

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Who is Responsible?

Everyone plays a role in making Simpler Recycling work. Businesses are responsible for ensuring recyclable materials are separated correctly and disposed of in the right containers.

- If a business disposes of waste between cleans or does not use a cleaning provider, they must use the correct bags and bins to remain compliant.
- Waste carriers cannot collect contaminated waste, so it is essential that businesses, staff, and cleaning providers follow the correct segregation process.
- The cleaning provider facilitates the process but does not assume liability for waste management outside of its services.



What is Changing?

- Businesses must separate recycling, food waste, and general waste.
- Recycling must be clean and dry—wet or contaminated materials cannot be recycled.
- Food waste and glass must be disposed of in dedicated bins.
- Incorrect waste disposal may result in refusal of collection or fines for non-compliance.



Correct Waste Segregation

- 🗑️ General Waste (Black Bags) → General waste bin
- ♻️ Recycling (Clear Bags) → Recycling compactor/bin
- 🌱 Food Waste (Green Compostable Bags) → Food waste bin
- Glass (Loose, No Bag) → Glass recycling bin

Always follow the site's specific instructions for waste disposal.



What Goes Where? – Waste Segregation Guide



Recycling (Clear Bags) – Allowed Items:

- ✓ Plastic bottles, pots, tubs, and trays
- ✓ Paper, cardboard, magazines, newspapers
- ✓ Metal tins, cans, and clean foil
- ✓ Empty, non-toxic aerosol cans
- ⊘ Do NOT include:
 - ✗ Food-contaminated packaging
 - ✗ Soft plastics (e.g., crisp packets, plastic films – separate streams available)
 - ✗ Coffee cups (requires separate recycling stream)



Food Waste (Green Compostable Bags*) – Allowed Items:

- ✓ Plate scrapings
- ✓ Tea bags, coffee grinds
- ✓ Peelings, off-cuts, and expired food
- ⊘ Do NOT include:
 - ✗ Packaging of any kind
 - ✗ Liquids (soups, oils)

* **Note:** some waste collectors may require the food waste to be collected in clear bin bags. Please check with your provider!

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General Waste (Black Bags) – Allowed Items:

- ✓ Non-recyclable packaging
- ✓ Food-contaminated wrappers
- ✓ Used tissues and hygiene products

Do NOT include:

-  Any recyclable materials
-  Any food waste
-  Any hazardous waste



Glass Recycling (No Bag – Loose in Bin):

- ✓ Glass bottles
- ✓ Glass jars
-  Do NOT include:
-  Ceramics or Pyrex

Key Points to Remember

- ✓ Never mix waste streams—contaminated recycling will not be collected.
- ✓ Food waste must be in green compostable bags to prevent leaks and spills.
- ✓ All waste must be disposed of in the correct container after collection.
- ✓ If businesses handle waste disposal outside of cleaning schedules, they must use the correct bags and bins.



How Eco Drift Supports You

- **Waste Collection During Cleans:** We ensure waste is properly collected and disposed of.
- **Food Waste Collection Added:** We now collect food waste along with your existing waste streams.
- **Additional Waste Streams Available:** Businesses can request collection for glass, coffee cups, soft plastics, and crisp packets.
- **Supplies Available:** We can provide food waste bags, bins, and recycling stations upon request.