

RECYCLING

Do not bag recyclables. Place loose in cart.



Paper and flattened cardboard

No food-soiled paper



NO PLASTIC BAGS!

Paper cartons

Must be EMPTY



Aluminum and scrap metal

No sharp or greasy metal
(limit 2x2x2 ft, 35 lbs)



Glass bottles and jars



Plastic containers

Plastic bottles, jars, jugs, and tubs.



Screw lids back onto bottles

Everything you put in your recycling cart should be:



EMPTY



CLEAN
Give food containers a quick rinse.



LOOSE
Keep recyclables out of bags and boxes.



TIP: Plastic bags and bagged recyclables don't belong in your recycling container.

Materials placed in a plastic bag cannot be sorted at the recycle center and do not get recycled.

Extra Recycling

Place extra recycling next to your cart on your recycling service day for no additional cost. Put extra recycling in plastic bins, cardboard boxes or paper bags. Label "Recycle." Do not leave extra recycling out in rain; place next to cart on morning of collection day.

Got a recycling question? Email us at: recyclenw@wm.com.

ORGANICS



No plastic, cooking oil, pet waste, glass, metal or liquids

Food scraps and leftovers



no produce stickers



TIP: To learn how to minimize wasted food, visit epa.gov and search "food waste".

Food-soiled paper



no shiny coating

no plastic pizza covers

TIP: Layer food scraps with newspaper, food-soiled paper or yard debris to absorb liquids.

Plants, flowers and yard trimmings



Yard and Food Scrap Collection Tips

- In your kitchen collect food scraps with:
 - Sink strainer
 - Paper grocery bag
 - Reusable plastic, metal, or ceramic container with a lid
- Use approved compostable bags only
- Layer food scraps with yard debris to absorb liquids and minimize odor.
- Empty your container into organics cart frequently.

Holiday trees are accepted in your organics cart if cut into sections less than four feet long and four inches in diameter. Remove all tinsel and decorations. Place in Organics bin or next to cart.



Extra Yard Debris

There is a charge for extra yard debris. Put extra yard debris only in:

- Cans with handles (32 gal., 65 lb. limit)
- Label cans "Yard"

GARBAGE



Please bag all items and place in your cart.

Non-recyclable plastic



TIP: Take plastic bags back to the grocery store for recycling. Use reusable shopping bags to minimize waste.

TIP: Bring your own reusable container to restaurants to use as a to-go box.



Non-recyclable glass



Non-recyclable paper



hard cover books

Non-recyclable metal

Paint cans, lids, caps, sharp metal objects, plastic appliances, aluminum foil, etc.



TIP: Donate books to a local charity or school.

Garbage Collection Tips

- Please bag all garbage.
- Double bag pet waste, packing pellets, vacuum dust, sawdust, and cold ashes.
- There is a charge for extra garbage that doesn't fit in your container with lid closed.

In case of severe weather:

- We will collect up to twice the amount of materials, at no additional charge, on the next service day.
- Credits will not be issued for delayed collection due to inclement weather.
- Check Service Alerts for 24/7 updates on weather by visiting wmnorthwest.com.



BEYOND THE BIN



Many items are recyclable, but don't belong in the garbage or your curbside recycling cart. Here are some alternative recycling and disposal options.

Community Resources

What Do I Do With...?

King County's comprehensive local recycling database and community recycling options.

- kingcounty.gov/whatdoidowith
206-477-4466

Illegal Dumping Hotline

Report litter and illegal dumping

- kingcounty.gov/dumping
206-296-7483

Household Hazardous Waste

Wastemobile

The Wastemobile travels to Bothell several times during the year to provide household hazardous waste disposal.

- hazwastehelp.org
206-296-4692

Mercury-containing Products

Ensure proper disposal of mercury switches, thermometers, thermostats, etc.

- hazwastehelp.org

Fluorescent Bulbs & Tubes

For CFL, HID, and fluorescent tube recycling options visit:

- lightrecycle.org
- wmlamptracker.com

Needles/Syringes

Used needles and syringes are dangerous in garbage and recycling because they can injure residents, collectors, and sorters, as well as spread diseases.

- Take syringes to your local pharmacy
- kingcounty.gov/whatdoidowith, search "syringe"

Unwanted Medicines

Bothell citizens can properly dispose of unwanted medicines for free.

- Bothell Police Department
18410-101st Ave NE (narcotic and non-narcotic medicines accepted).
- kingcountysecuremedicinereturn.org

Latex Paint

Latex paint can be placed in your garbage if it is solidified first. Mix in cat litter, shredded paper, sawdust or paint hardener. Once paint no longer flows, leave the lid off the can, bag it and place it in your regular garbage.

Latex paint can also be recycled locally.

- greensheepaint.com

Plastic Bags

Reduce the impact of plastic bags by:

- Using a reusable shopping bag
- Hand carrying out small amounts of groceries
- Taking used plastic bags back to the store for recycling

City of Bothell website has a listing of plastic bag recycling locations.

- bothellwa.gov/reduceplastic

Electronics

Recycle electronics, computers, monitors and TVs, mercury-containing products.

- ecyclewashington.org

Bulky Items

Mattresses, appliances, furniture and building materials can be picked up by special arrangement. Contact Waste Management to schedule or inquire about fees.

- 1-800-592-9995
(M-F 7AM-7PM, Sat 9AM-1PM)



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2020 BOTHELL RECYCLING GUIDE

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for more tips on how to
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