

# RECYCLING COLLECTION SCHEDULE

May 2021 - April 2022

Place paper, container and glass recycling out by:



7:00 am

## Recycling Collection Questions?

GFL Environmental is Recycle BC's curbside collection partner in Vancouver. They can answer questions about collection zones, missed pick-ups, holiday schedules, or recycling containers.

Contact GFL Environmental  
Phone: 604-282-7966  
Email: [srrecycle@gflenv.com](mailto:srrecycle@gflenv.com)

For information on garbage or green bin collection services, contact:  
City of Vancouver: call 3-1-1 or visit [vancouver.ca](http://vancouver.ca).  
UEL: call Administration office at 604-660-1810.

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## ENSURE MORE MATERIALS ARE RECYCLED AND KEPT OUT OF LANDFILL BY REMEMBERING THESE PRO-TIPS:

- 1 Line it up.** Put your yellow bag between your recycling containers and not on top of them. Keep 1m (3ft) to allow room for garbage/green bin collection trucks.
- 2 Keep it clean.** Empty and rinse all containers.
- 3 Flatten and cut.** If your cardboard is too large for your yellow bag, flatten and cut it down to smaller pieces. 30 inches by 30 inches (76cm x 76cm) or smaller. Loosely stack them between recycling containers. Remember to keep plastic wrap out of your recycling!
- 4 Connect with us.** Download our app, email us at [info@recyclebc.ca](mailto:info@recyclebc.ca), or connect with us on social media @RecycleBC.



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## NEARBY DEPOTS

- London Drugs** (all Vancouver locations)  
\*London Drugs accepts plastic bags and overwrap, foam packaging, and other flexible plastic packaging only. Due to space limitations, a maximum of one grocery bag of each material is suggested per visit.
- Vancouver Central Return-It Depot**  
2639 Kingsway Street, Vancouver  
604-434-0707
- Vancouver Zero Waste Centre**  
8588 Yukon Street, Vancouver  
604-873-7000 or 3-1-1
- Powell Street Return-It Bottle Depot**  
1856 Powell Street, Vancouver  
604-253-4987
- South Van Bottle Depot**  
34 East 69th Avenue, Vancouver  
604-325-3370
- Find your nearest depot location at:  
**[RecycleBC.ca/Depots](http://RecycleBC.ca/Depots)**

## ABOUT RECYCLE BC

Recycle BC is a not-for-profit organization responsible for residential packaging and paper recycling throughout BC, servicing over 1.8 million households. Recycle BC ensures your household materials are picked up, sorted, and responsibly recycled. Our program is funded by over 1,200 businesses that include retailers, manufacturers and restaurants that supply packaging and paper to BC residents, shifting costs away from homeowners.

For more information visit:

**RecycleBC.ca**  
[Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/RecycleBC) [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/RecycleBC) [TikTok](https://www.tiktok.com/@RecycleBC) **@RecycleBC**



## Download the App

View your collection schedule, sign up for recycling reminders, see depot locations, and search materials.



**[RecycleBC.ca/App](http://RecycleBC.ca/App)**

Please find a detailed material list at [RecycleBC.ca/what-can-i-recycle](http://RecycleBC.ca/what-can-i-recycle).  
請瀏覽 [RecycleBC.ca/what-can-i-recycle](http://RecycleBC.ca/what-can-i-recycle) 查詢物料清單中文版。  
ਕਿਰਪਾ ਕਰਕੇ ਇਕ ਅਨੁਵਾਦਿਤ ਸਮੱਗਰੀ ਸੂਚੀ ਨੂੰ ਇਥੇ ਦੇਖੋ [RecycleBC.ca/what-can-i-recycle](http://RecycleBC.ca/what-can-i-recycle).  
번역 된 자료 목록은 [RecycleBC.ca/what-can-i-recycle](http://RecycleBC.ca/what-can-i-recycle) 에서 찾으십시오.

## 2021-2022 RECYCLING SCHEDULE

**Vancouver**



**RecycleBC.ca**

PAPER

PUT INTO YELLOW BAG

Cut excess cardboard to 76cm x 76cm and stack beside bag  
Clean and dry paper only



CONTAINERS

PUT INTO BLUE BOX

Empty and rinse containers



GLASS

PUT INTO GREY BOX

Empty and rinse glass bottles and jars



DROP-OFF ONLY

TAKE TO RECYCLING DEPOT

Not accepted in your yellow bag, blue box, or grey box



Newspapers, inserts, flyers

Magazines, catalogues, phone books

Boxboard boxes

Moulded paper

Household paper

Envelopes

Paper bags

Shredded paper (contain in paper bag or box first)

Cardboard boxes

- ✓ Greeting cards
  - ✓ Paper gift wrap
  - ✓ Paper gift bags
- ✓ Paper carry-out beverage trays
  - ✓ Cores from paper towel and toilet paper

Plastic bottles, jars and jugs

Plastic trays and clamshells

Plastic garden pots and seedling trays

Caps, tops, lids and pumps

Plastic or paper take-out cups, bowls and lids

Cartons for soup, dairy, etc.

Metal cans

Aerosol cans (empty)

Foil wrap and take out containers

- ✓ Plastic packaging for toys, batteries etc. Separate plastic from paper backing
  - ✓ Plastic pails less than 25L for laundry detergent, cat litter, etc.
- ✓ Spiral wound cans and lids for frozen juice concentrate, chips, etc.
  - ✓ Plastic tubs for yogurt, margarine, etc.

Glass bottles - clear and coloured

Glass jars - clear and coloured

Put all lids in blue box.

NOT ACCEPTED  
Do NOT place into Grey Box

- ✗ Drinking glasses, dishes, cookware
- ✗ Window glass, mirrors
- ✗ Ceramic products
- ✗ Light bulbs or light fixtures

Want to recycle something not included here?

Search Recycle BC's Waste Wizard or download a full material list at RecycleBC.ca.  
To recycle items that are not packaging or paper, contact the Recycling Council of BC (RCBC) at 604-732-9253 or visit RCBC.ca.

Unused Medication

Empty medication containers can be recycled with Recycle BC, but unused or expired medications can be safely disposed by returning them to your community pharmacies. For more information or to find the nearest pharmacy please visit [www.healthsteward.ca](http://www.healthsteward.ca)

FOAM PACKAGING (return to depot)

Foam meat trays (remove absorbent pad)

Foam take-out containers and cups

Foam cushion packaging used to protect electronics etc.

✗ Blue or pink foam insulation, packing chips and peanuts

✗ Squishy or flexible foam, foam noodles

PLASTIC BAGS AND OVERWRAP (return to depot)

Plastic bags

Outer bags and product wraps

- ✓ Bags for groceries, produce, dry bulk foods, frozen vegetables, water softener, salt, garden products, newspapers, etc.
- ✓ Overwrap for diapers, feminine hygiene products, paper towels, soft drink flats

NOT ACCEPTED  
Do NOT place into Yellow Bag

Hard and soft cover books

Plastic bags and overwrap

Clothing and textiles

Food, yard waste and wood

- ✗ Non-paper gift wrap, foil wrap, cards or paper with glitter
- ✗ Rubber bands, ribbons, bows
- ✗ Padded envelopes
- ✗ Bags and boxes with foil liners
- ✗ Paper towels, napkins and tissues
- ✗ Foil or plastic lined paper bags

NO HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

Exclude batteries; medical sharps; bleach or aerosol containers with any contents remaining; containers with the words COMBUSTIBLE, FLAMMABLE or VERY FLAMMABLE on them (except cosmetic and beauty product containers); compressed gas cylinders, for example used propane cylinders; containers for paint, motor oil, vehicle lubricants, or antifreeze; or containers for pesticides with the words DANGER, WARNING, or POISON, and precautionary octagon or diamond symbols with skull and cross bones.

NOT ACCEPTED  
Do NOT place into Blue Box

Plastic bags and overwrap

Hazardous waste

Glass

Electronics and appliances

Toys and games

Hangers, pots, pans and other scrap metal

- ✗ Foam packaging
- ✗ Chip or foil bags, candy wrappers
- ✗ Stand-up pouches
- ✗ Packaging labeled biodegradable or compostable
- ✗ Wiring, metal cords, hardware
- ✗ Clothing, textiles and shoes
- ✗ Food and yard waste

Characteristics of Plastic Bags and Overwrap vs. Other Flexible Plastic Packaging

PLASTIC BAGS AND OVERWRAP

Can Poke Your Thumb Through It

Not Crinkly

Single Material

OTHER FLEXIBLE PLASTIC PACKAGING

Doesn't Stretch

Crinkly

Foil Lining

OTHER FLEXIBLE PLASTIC PACKAGING (return to depot)

Crinkly wrappers and bags

Flexible packaging with plastic seal

Zipper lock and stand-up pouches

Woven plastic bags

Non-food protective packaging

For more information, visit [RecycleBC.ca/FlexiblePackaging](http://RecycleBC.ca/FlexiblePackaging)

- ✗ Plastic squeeze tubes, plastic-lined paper, paper-lined plastic, plastic strapping
- ✗ 6-pack rings, biodegradable plastic, vinyl