

One of the best ways to look after our environment is to know what goes in your **yellow recycling**, **red rubbish**, and **green organics** wheelie bins

Putting waste in the yellow recycling bin will contaminate recyclables. It may also harm workers who sort your recycling by hand. All contaminated recycling goes to landfill.

Play your part in looking after Aotearoa and reducing the amount of waste that Timaru sends to landfill.



How do I know what to put in each wheelie bin?

- Check the sticker under your bin lid
- Visit the Timaru District Council website
- Keep this brochure handy

For items that can't go in your red rubbish bin, visit:

- **Redruth Resource Recovery Park**
23 Shaw Street, Timaru
- **Temuka Transfer Station**
45 Wilmshurst Road, Temuka
- **Pleasant Point Transfer Station**
23 Beck Road, Pleasant Point
- **Geraldine Transfer Station**
128 Te Moana Road, Geraldine

What else do I need to know?

Your bin doesn't need to be full to be collected but the lid must be shut and the weight needs to be under 80kg. The bin must be put out before 6am on collection day, with the bin handle facing the footpath.

For more information contact
Timaru District Council

03 687 7200 or freephone 0800 484 632

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What's in your bin?



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What's in your recycling bin?

Rinse and clean all containers. Recycling must be loose not bagged. Put lids in the red bin.

The following need to go in your recycling bin:



1, 2 and 5 plastics



Check your plastics for a triangle with a number in it.



Paper



Plastic containers (no lids)



Cardboard (flatten boxes)



Tins and cans (including empty aerosol cans)



Glass jars and bottles (no lids)

What's in your rubbish bin?

Your rubbish bin should only contain general household waste.

The following need to go in your rubbish bin:



Soft plastic wrappers and bags



Disposable nappies and sanitary items



Polystyrene and Styrofoam



Flax, palm and cabbage tree leaves



Lightbulbs, drinking glasses and mirrors (wrap in paper)



General waste e.g. takeaway cups, kitty litter, old clothes

What's in your organics bin?

The organics bin is for food, garden and some paper waste.

The following need to go in your organics bin:



Food waste



Meat and bones



Garden waste



Cardboard pizza boxes and fish and chip paper



Newspapers, tissues and paper hand towels



Animal fur and hair

DO NOT include these in your recycling bin. Put in your red rubbish bin.

- ✗ Disposable nappies and sanitary items
- ✗ Soft plastics and polystyrene
- ✗ Tetra Pak cartons
- ✗ Lids, caps, pumps and spray triggers

DO NOT include these in your rubbish bin.

- ✗ Car batteries and paint
- ✗ Electronic devices
- ✗ Recyclables. Put in yellow recycling bin
- ✗ Compostable material. Put in green organics bin

DO NOT include these in your organics bin. Put in your red rubbish bin.

- ✗ Plastic bags, wrap or strapping
- ✗ Ash (cooled for seven days)
- ✗ Treated wood, sawdust or shavings
- ✗ Flax, palm and cabbage tree leaves