YOUR BIN COLLECTIONS ARE CHANGING

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Recycle for North Ayrshire

North Ayrshire Council
Comhairle Siorrachd Àir a Tuath
**Why are we changing?**

We are changing our bin collections to help increase recycling in North Ayrshire and reduce the amount of waste that is unnecessarily sent for disposal.

In North Ayrshire, currently over 55% of waste is recycled. Our studies have shown that around 71% of the contents in the average grey bin could be recycled or composted, showing that there’s significant room for improvement.

We appreciate that many of our residents do a great deal to support our recycling and waste reducing ambitions and we thank you for your great efforts. However, to meet the Scottish Government’s recycling targets of 60% by 2020 and 70% by 2025, we must work together to do even more.

This leaflet provides information about your collection service and how to use your bins.
How is your service changing?

• Your grey bin will continue to be used for non-recyclable waste. It should be used for any items you cannot recycle in your blue, purple or brown bins. Your grey bin will be collected on a three weekly cycle.

• Paper, card and cardboard will be collected in your existing blue bin. Your blue bin will be collected on a three weekly cycle.

• Glass, cans, plastics and cartons will be collected in your new purple bin. Your purple bin will be collected on a three weekly cycle.

• Your brown bin is for food and garden waste. This will be collected fortnightly, all year round, your collection day will not change.

WHEN YOU RECEIVE YOUR PURPLE BIN

We will start delivering new purple bins from Monday 25 February 2019.

Your new purple bin should be used for glass, cans, plastics and cartons only. Your blue bin should be used for paper, card and cardboard only.

Please start using your purple and blue bins for the new recyclable materials after your last blue bin collection in March 2019.
New collection schedule starts 1 April 2019

- From the week commencing Monday 1 April 2019 use your new calendar to put the right bin out on the right bin day
- Remember to put your bin out for 7am on each collection day
- Please make sure your bin lid is closed

Please do not put plastic bags into your recycling bins

PURPLE BIN
Glass, cans, plastic and cartons. Collected every 3 weeks.
No plastic bags. Please make sure items are clean and loose.
RIGHT STUFF

Plastics – rinsed and squashed
✓ Plastic bottles
✓ Milk cartons
✓ Plastic tubs, trays and pots
✓ Fruit and vegetable punnets
✓ Toiletry bottles
✓ Cleaning product bottles
✓ Lids and tops
✓ Medicine bottles
✓ Plastic egg boxes

Cartons – rinsed and squashed
✓ Juice cartons
✓ Soup cartons
✓ Other cartons

Metals – empty and rinsed
✓ Food and drinks tins/cans
✓ Empty aerosols
✓ Foil trays
✓ Aluminium foil
✓ Chocolate and biscuit tins
✓ Metal lids

Glass – empty and rinsed
✓ Glass bottles and jars

WRONG STUFF

✗ Plastic bags and liners
✗ Hard plastics (toys, coat hangers, CD cases etc)
✗ Metal pots, pans and trays
✗ Cutlery
✗ Crisp bags

✗ Tablet blister packs
✗ Electrical items
✗ Polystyrene
✗ Foil pouches
✗ Bubble wrap
✗ Cling film

TOP TIP!
Wash & squash your plastics.
BLUE BIN - COLLECTED EVERY 3 WEEKS
Paper, card and cardboard. **No plastic bags please put items in loose.**

RIGHT STUFF - Please make sure items are clean and dry
- Cardboard
- Large and small cardboard boxes
- Cereal boxes
- Toilet and kitchen roll tubes
- Corrugated cardboard
- Newspapers, magazines
- Catalogues
- Junk mail and brochures
- Paperback books
- Paper (clean and dry) and shredded paper
- Greeting cards
- Wrapping paper (no glitter or foil decorated paper, sticky tape or bows/ribbons)
- Envelopes
- Cardboard egg boxes

WRONG STUFF
- Plastic carrier bags
- Paper towels/tissues
- Padded envelopes
- Plastic wrapping and bubble wrap
- Electrical items
- Textiles - duvets, clothes and shoes
- Packaging with food residue
- Hardback books
- Plastics
- Cans
- Glass
- Tinfoil
- Plastic film
- Pizza boxes
- Polystyrene

**TOP TIP!**
Flat pack your cardboard boxes to make space in your bin
BROWN BIN - COLLECTED EVERY 2 WEEKS

Garden and food waste.

RIGHT STUFF
✓ Grass cuttings
✓ Leaves and bark
✓ Hedges and branches
✓ Weeds
✓ Cooked and uncooked food
✓ Dairy
✓ Bread
✓ Egg shells
✓ Tea leaves, tea bags and coffee grounds
✓ Fruit and vegetables
✓ Rice and pasta
✓ Fish, meat and bones
✓ Leftovers

WRONG STUFF
✗ Plastic bags
✗ Plastic
✗ Wood
✗ Rubble
✗ Turf/soil
✗ Food or drink containers
✗ Plant pots
✗ Liquids
✗ Pet waste

TOP TIP!
Need more compostable liners? Tie a liner to the handle of your bin and our collection crews will leave you a new supply.
GREY BIN - COLLECTED EVERY 3 WEEKS

Non-recyclable waste.

RIGHT STUFF

✓ Non-recyclable waste
✓ Plastic/black bags and polythene
✓ Polystyrene
✓ Crisps and sweet wrappers
✓ Used tissues and paper towels
✓ Wipes
✓ Tinfoil
✓ Lightbulbs
✓ Pet litter/animal waste/bedding
✓ Nappies
✓ Personal hygiene products
✓ Food and drinks pouches
✓ Hard plastics (toys, coat hangers, CD cases etc)
✓ Padded envelopes
✓ Tablet blister packs

If you have excess waste due to nappies or incontinence products, please contact us for advice on 01294 310000.

WRONG STUFF

✗ Plastics, cans and glass
✗ Paper, card and cardboard
✗ Food waste
✗ Garden waste
✗ Electrical items
✗ Textiles and shoes

Can you recycle it?

Please make sure your grey bin is used for non-recyclable waste only.
Your Household Waste Recycling Centres

North Ayrshire Council have three Household Waste Recycling Centres on the mainland:

- **Bartonholm Recycling Centre** – Sandy Road, Irvine, KA12 8SN
- **Kilbirnie Recycling Centre** – Paddockholm Road, Kilbirnie, KA25 7JW
- **Largs Recycling Centre** – Haylie Brae, Largs, KA24 5LE

Opening times for Household Waste Recycling Centres are:
Daily: 10am to 4.30pm (last entry 4.15pm)

Our Household Waste Recycling Centres allow householders to dispose of small quantities of bulky household waste and access a wide range of re-use and recycling facilities.

Our sites are for use by North Ayrshire householders only.

These items can be recycled at our centres:

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*Bartonholm HWRC only

If you are visiting a Household Waste Recycling Centre in a van, pick up or vehicle with a single-axle trailer, you will first need to apply for a free household waste permit.

For a full list of materials accepted at these sites, opening hours and more information on tip permit applications visit [www.north-ayrshire.gov.uk](http://www.north-ayrshire.gov.uk).
HELPFUL REMINDERS FOR YOUR BIN DAY

download your iCalendar to your smart phone and never miss a bin day again!

STEP 1
Go to north-ayrshire.gov.uk/mybinday and select ‘YourLocation’

STEP 2
Enter your postcode and hit ‘Search’.

STEP 3
Select your address from the list below.

STEP 4
Scroll down and select ‘Bin Collection Days’, then ‘Import Your Calendar’.

STEP 5
Once the calendar file has downloaded, open it and agree to import the events.

STEP 6
The events will appear in your calendar and you’ll get reminder notifications to put your bin out.
Re-use

North Ayrshire Council and Cunninghame Furniture Recycling Company [CFRC] work together to:

- Reduce the number of household items and textiles going to landfill
- Increase the number of items which can then be re-used within the community

If you have household items which could be re-used and are clean and in good condition or, in the case of electrical items, are in good working condition, please contact Cunninghame Furniture Recycling Company as they may collect your items for FREE.

Many reusable items can be uplifted by CFRC such as:

- Sofas and chairs (with fire safety label)
- Living Room Furniture
- Tables and Chairs
- Beds and Bedroom Furniture
- Kitchen and small electrical items
- TVs

You can contact CFRC on 01294 475650 to arrange a free collection of your reusable items.

CFRC can also uplift clothes and textiles for recycling while collecting your household items. Just place these in a bag for collection with your other household items. All clothes, textiles and leathers can be collected except carpets, pillows and quilts. Please note that clothes and textiles can only be collected alongside other household items.

A textiles bank is also located at their showroom in Irvine

Please note if you are going to visit a HWRC with a van, pick up or vehicle with a single-axle trailer, you will need a free household waste permit. For further information visit our website www.north-ayrshire.gov.uk or call our customer service team on 01294 310000.

If your item is not reusable you can contact us to arrange a special uplift.

There is a charge for this service.
We can translate!

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