



# Waste & Recycling Guide **2021 – 2022**

The City of Perth is working to align with the State's Waste Avoidance and Resource Recovery Strategy 2030 to become a sustainable, low-waste, circular economy in which human health and the environment are protected from the impacts of waste.



## Waste and Recycling Targets

Australians send more than 20 million tonnes of waste to landfill every year. We just put things in the bin and the council takes it away. It's out of sight and out of mind. But the amount of waste we generate is a big problem, and it's only getting bigger.

The state government have set a target of 70 per cent material recovery (diversion from landfill) by 2025. In the 2019/2020 financial year, the City of Perth recycled 3,927 tonnes of waste, or just 25 per cent.

Therefore, it is very important that the City of Perth together with its residents, businesses and visitors utilise all recycling services correctly, while aiming to minimise waste as much as possible.

## The Waste Hierarchy

The waste hierarchy ranks waste management options in order of their general environmental desirability. Waste avoidance is the most preferred option and disposal (to landfill) is the least preferred option.



## AVOIDANCE

The best way to deal with waste is to prevent it in the first place. Consider what you're buying and use alternatives that don't create waste.

## RE-USE

Rather than throwing things away, we should check to see if it can be used again, repaired or repurposed.

## REPROCESSING

Using materials that would otherwise become waste (such as off-cuts) during the production process.

## RECYCLING

When we recycle something, we convert the item back into raw materials that can be used to create new products.

## ENERGY RECOVERY


Some waste can be converted into energy, allowing us to recover some of the value of the material used to create it.

## DISPOSAL TO LANDFILL

If waste isn't reused, recycled or recovered it ends up in the environment or in landfill

## When is my bin collected?

Please see the sticker on the back of your bin for your address and collection day and time (day/night)

**THIS BIN IS RESERVED** 

Company Business Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Bin registration no:

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Night	Day
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

For further information ring 0800 01 30 27

### NIGHT

Your bin must be out for collection before **8pm**

### DAY

Your bin must be out before **6am**

For West Perth residents, your general waste (landfill) bin must be out before **4pm**. If your sticker has faded, call City of Perth customer service on 9461 3333.



## GENERAL WASTE (LANDFILL)

What **CAN** I put in my red lid bin?



General rubbish



Food scraps



Nappies



Small plastic lids

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Styrofoam + polystyrene

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What **CAN'T** I put in my red lid bin?



Paint

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Aerosols

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Hazardous waste

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Construction waste  
(cement, bricks, rubble, sand)

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Batteries

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\* To find drop off locations for these items please visit [recycleright.wa.gov.au/find-my-nearest](https://recycleright.wa.gov.au/find-my-nearest)



## RECYCLING

What **CAN** I recycle in my yellow lid bin?



Plastic bottles + containers (no lids)



Glass bottles + Jars (including broken glass)



Magazines + paper (no shredded paper)



Cardboard (flattened) + cartons



Aluminium + steel cans

Did you know you can get 10 cents back for eligible drink containers through containers for change?

What **CAN'T** I put in my yellow lid bin?



Food scraps



Plastic bags + small plastic bottle tops

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UHT (silver lined)



Aerosols

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### HOW TO EXCEL AT RECYCLING

1. Use two or more bins in your kitchen. For example, one for recycling and one for general waste (landfill).
2. Ensure all recyclables are empty, rinsed and clean and placed loose in your bin (not in bags).
3. Ensure all container and bottle lids are removed. Plastic lids smaller than the palm of your hand can be taken to drop-off points. For more information, visit [recycleright.wa.gov.au/find-my-nearest](http://recycleright.wa.gov.au/find-my-nearest)



## GARDEN ORGANICS (GO)

What **CAN** I put in my green lid bin?



Prunings +  
common weeds



Branches  
(under 1m)



Leaves +  
grass clippings

GO will be turned into mulch and soil improver.

What **CAN'T** I put in my green lid bin?



Food



Nappies

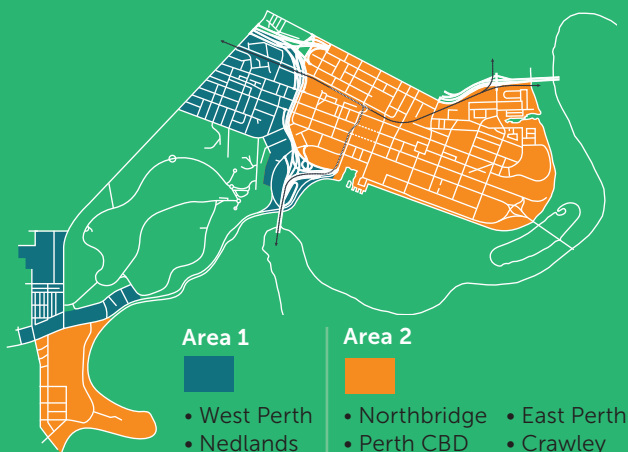


Plastic  
bags



Plastic  
pots

Garden Organics (GO) collection areas



A larger version of this map is available online  
at [perth.wa.gov.au/waste-residents](http://perth.wa.gov.au/waste-residents)

# Garden Organics (GO) collection days

## March 2021

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

## April 2021

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12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

## May 2021

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10	11	12	13	14	15	16
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24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

## June 2021

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21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

## July 2021

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12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

## August 2021

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9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

## September 2021

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6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

## October 2021

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4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

## November 2021

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## December 2021

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## January 2022

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## February 2022

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## Residential bulk verge collection

The City of Perth provides two verge collections (March and September) for residents each year. You will be given at least two weeks' notice of the collection date.

### This residential verge collection **WILL REMOVE:**



#### Garden waste

Tree and shrub prunings up to 1.5m in length and up to 30cm in diameter, lawn clippings & leaves in boxes or bags



#### Electronic waste

Televisions, computers, printers, mobile phones, DVD & CD Players, VCRs, and Hi-Fi Equipment



#### Whitegoods

Stoves, freezers, refrigerators, etc



#### Mattresses



#### Old Furniture

Some items (including hazardous waste) **WILL NOT BE REMOVED** during the verge collection. These items can include (but are not limited to):



Construction waste  
(cement, bricks, rubble, sand)



Tyres



Vehicle parts  
and motor oil

See the next page for how to dispose of items not collected (including hazardous waste). For more information, visit [perth.wa.gov.au/waste-residents](http://perth.wa.gov.au/waste-residents)



Items collected during verge collections are taken to a sorting facility to ensure as many items as possible are recycled. Please assess all items for recycling and reuse options before putting them out for verge collection.

## Drop-off facilities

Did you know most items not collected during the verge collection can be taken to:

### Recycling Centre Balcatta

238 Balcatta Road, Balcatta | 9205 8555

**Please note:** fees may apply to some items so please contact the facility before you visit for the most up-to-date information.

## Household Hazardous Waste (HHW)

This waste is hazardous to the environment and should **NOT** be placed in any of your bins! This includes items such as (but not limited to):



Household light globes and tubes



Printer cartridges



Paint, aerosols & chemicals



Batteries



Gas cylinders



Smoke alarms

Did you know there are multiple locations to drop off your HHW for free? To find out more, please visit:

- [recycleright.wa.gov.au/find-my-nearest](https://recycleright.wa.gov.au/find-my-nearest)
- [wastenet.net.au/programs/hhw.aspx](https://wastenet.net.au/programs/hhw.aspx)
- [paintback.com.au](https://paintback.com.au)
- [techcollect.com.au](https://techcollect.com.au)



# CASH IN YOUR CONTAINERS AT THE CITY OF PERTH OF PERTH ABERDEEN STREET DEPOT



## Containers for Change

Containers for Change is WA's new state-wide container deposit scheme allowing the community to cash in eligible containers for 10-cents each.

The City of Perth is proud to announce that we have opened the first capital city CBD refund point in Australia at Aberdeen Street. It is improving recycling, reducing litter and decreasing waste to landfill, whilst creating employment and social enterprise opportunities.

### **Container Refund Point**

**8 Aberdeen Street, Perth**

#### **Opening Hours:**

Monday to Friday: 10:00am – 4:00pm

Saturday and Sunday: 10:00am – 1:00pm

*The City of Perth's Roe Street Reverse Vending Machine will be installed later in 2021.*

*To find out which containers are eligible visit [perth.wa.gov.au/containers-for-change](http://perth.wa.gov.au/containers-for-change)*

## Do you want to save money? ... and help the environment?

Do you have too many or not enough bins? Do you want more recycling bins? It may be time to review and evaluate your waste services.

The City of Perth offers free waste management advice for residents, community groups and schools including:

- On-site evaluation of your internal waste collection and transfer, waste storage and external collection.
- Waste education materials and information sessions to help increase recycling rates, improve waste storage and reduce waste fees.

## City of Perth Contacts

### Waste and Recycling enquiries

9461 3333

[WAC.inbox@cityofperth.wa.gov.au](mailto:WAC.inbox@cityofperth.wa.gov.au)

[perth.wa.gov.au/waste-residents](https://perth.wa.gov.au/waste-residents)

[perth.wa.gov.au/waste-businesses](https://perth.wa.gov.au/waste-businesses)

### General enquiries

9461 3333

[info@cityofperth.wa.gov.au](mailto:info@cityofperth.wa.gov.au)

### Goodbye Graffiti

1800 442 255

**Waste & Recycling Enquiries: 9461 3333**

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