

Household Recycling

The Green Recycling Bin is a fortnightly collection by Guildford Borough Council of clean and dry paper, newspaper, cardboard, metal tins and cans, glass bottles and jars, plastic bottles pots tubs and trays, aerosols, food and drink cartons, aluminium trays and foil.

RECYCLING BIN Collected fortnightly

YES PLEASE

				
Dry paper	Dry cardboard	Metal tins	Glass bottles	Glass jars
				
Plastic pots, tubs and trays	Plastic bottles	Aerosols	Food and drink cartons	Aluminium trays and foil

NO THANKS

				
Nappies	Expanded polystyrene	Light bulbs	Black bags	Crisp packets
				
Clothes and textiles	Used tissues and wipes	Crockery	Greasy pizza boxes	Garden waste

The Green or grey **Food Waste Bin** * is collected weekly, for all food, meat, eggshells, tea bags.

NO THANKS liquids.

One small carrier bag of **Textiles** * is collected weekly, for clean and dry clothes, underwear, paired shoes, bags and belts.

NO THANKS pillows or duvets.

One small carrier bag of **Small Electricals** * is collected weekly for anything with a plug, anything battery operated, batteries (in a separate bag).

NO THANKS lightbulbs.

* left on top of, or beside the black or green bin

Household Waste Disposal

Household waste which cannot be recycled can be disposed of through one of:

1. The fortnightly black bin collection service provided by GBC. The black bin is for black bags, nappies, crisp packets, coffee cups, food pouches, expanded polystyrene, pizza boxes, used tissues and wipes, bubble wrap and hard plastic toys.
2. Transportation by own vehicle to a Waste Transfer station such as Slyfield Community Recycling Centre¹

From July 2019, GBC Community Recycling centres make a charge for the disposal of the some items arriving by private car.

For full details see

https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/_data/assets/pdf_file/0004/200938/Chargeable-Waste-Jul-19-V1.pdf

3. Transportation using a paid contractor to a Waste Transfer station. The contractor must have an original copy of their Waste Transfer licence to prove they are authorised to carry it. Under the terms of that Waste Transfer licence, the contractor may only temporarily store then carry that waste to a licensed Waste Transfer Station (Recycling centre). If that contractor was found to subsequently illegally dump that domestic waste the householder is prosecutable.

Garden Waste Disposal

Garden Waste from a private property can be disposed of by using:

1. Composting – mixing carbon waste ('browns' such as leaves, wood products, paper, straw) with nitrogen waste ('greens' such as weeds, hedge cuttings, kitchen peelings), adding time and patience to produce top quality compost/soil for use in the garden.
2. Guildford Borough "Garden Waste Collection Scheme" provides a brown wheelie bin for its fortnightly kerbside collection service. The cost is £35 per bin per year and you can subscribe for as many bins as you need. Soil and stones should not be included. All material is sent for composting. More information: <https://www.guildford.gov.uk/article/16793/Garden-waste-collection-scheme>
3. Transportation by own vehicle to a Waste Transfer station such as Slyfield Community Recycling Centre¹
4. Transportation using a paid contractor to take the household garden waste away on behalf of the householder. The contractor must have an original copy of their Waste Transfer licence to prove they are authorised to carry it. Under the terms of that Waste Transfer licence, the contractor may only temporarily store then carry that waste to a licensed Waste Transfer Station (Recycling centre). If that contractor was found to subsequently illegally dump that domestic waste the householder is prosecutable.
5. Bonfire. Suggested guidelines for best practice and good neighbourliness. For more information see <https://www.gov.uk/garden-bonfires-rules>:
 - clear it of any wildlife before starting
 - no smoke across a highway
 - no smoke, fumes or gasses emitted from premises from burning plastics, rubber, tyres, aerosols, foam-filled furniture, old furniture, treated timber/wood, paint or painted materials. Burning of such items is a statutory nuisance as it is prejudicial to health.
 - avoid burning green, damp or freshly gathered garden waste as this will generate more smoke and cause a nuisance to your neighbours
 - put it out with water before the end of the day to prevent it from smouldering

A householder is not allowed to burn waste that has not originated from their property and this includes waste from a neighbour or from a business activity.

Dumping garden waste by a householder anywhere outside of their property is fly-tipping

Garden waste disposal must not include any household waste.