



PUT WASTE IN ITS PLACE
Organics Collection & Recycling Guide
GUYSBOROUGH WASTE HOTLINE: 1-888-232-2316



ORGANICS FOR COMPOST
 Cart is collected every week even if not full

PLACE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN YOUR ORGANICS GREEN CART
ALL FOOD WASTE:

- Vegetables & Fruit
- Meat, Fish & Bones
- Bread & Pasta
- Solid Dairy Products
- Egg & Nut Shells
- Coffee Filters & Grinds
- Tea Bags
- All Leftover Food (Table Scraps)



SOILED AND NON-RECYCLABLE PAPER:

- Sugar & Flour Bags
- Paper Plates
- Napkins & Paper Towel
- Waxed & Parchment Paper
- Paper Bags
- Soiled Paper Products (ie. Pizza Boxes & Fry Boxes)
- Cereal Boxes & Other Paper (that is used to wrap messy food waste to keep the cart clean & dry)



No Plastic, Metal, Glass, Ashes, or Cigarette Butts

RECYCLING PROGRAM
 Recycling & Cardboard - Collected every week.

MUST BE PROPERLY SORTED & CLEAN.

BLUE BAG # 1 — PAPER ONLY
 IF SOILED PLACE IN THE GREEN CART.

- ◆ Newspapers & Flyers
- ◆ Boxboard & Paper Boxes
- ◆ Office Paper
- ◆ Magazines & Catalogues
- ◆ Egg Cartons
- ◆ Phone Books
- ◆ Books (Hard Covers Removed)
- ◆ Cardboard (Small Amounts)



BLUE BAG #2 — CONTAINERS
 CAPS AND LIDS MUST BE REMOVED FROM ALL CONTAINERS.

- ◆ All Beverage Containers ☿
- ◆ All Milk Containers
- ◆ Plastic Containers (#1-7)
- ◆ Clean Aluminum Foil & Plates
- ◆ Metal Food Cans
- ◆ Glass Bottles & Jars
- ◆ Grocery & Bread Bags
- ◆ Foam Polystyrene (ie. Styrofoam™) ☿ Return Refundables to an ENVIRO-DEPOT™ for your Refund.



CARDBOARD

Flatten and stack in bundles no bigger than 2 ft x 2 ft x 3 ft and tie.

LANDFILL

CLEAR BAGS WITH GARBAGE
 Collected every week.

A LIST OF EXAMPLES:

- ◆ Small lids, caps and covers from containers
- ◆ Soiled Plastic Wrap
- ◆ Chip Bags
- ◆ Candy Bar Wrappers
- ◆ Dirty Aluminum Foil
- ◆ Frozen Juice Cans
- ◆ Broken Glass (wrap for safety)
- ◆ Coloured Tissue Paper & Construction Paper
- ◆ Gift Wrap, Bows & Ribbons
- ◆ Floor Sweepings
- ◆ Toilet Paper & Personal Hygiene Products
- ◆ Kitty Litter & Diapers
- ◆ Hot & Cold Drink Cups & Straws
- ◆ Hard Covers from Books
- ◆ Toys, Dishes, Fabric & Shoes (Consider Reuse)
- ◆ Small Household Appliances (ie. Toaster)
- ◆ Empty Paint Cans (Dry & Lid Removed)
- ◆ Packing Peanuts & Spray Foam



HAVE QUESTIONS

Information on waste management programs, your collection schedule and a waste sorting wizard can be found at:

www.erswm.ca
Antigonish & Guysborough Counties Waste Info

YOU ASKED ...

Q1. Can I Backyard Compost (BYC)?

A1. Yes definitely! The curbside collection program compliments backyard composting. If you BYC, continue to use your fruit, vegetable peels, coffee grinds, leaves and other items from your home and yard to create compost for your lawn, flowerbeds and garden. For more information call Eastern Region Solid Waste Management at 1-888-377-9622.

Q2. Can I use plastic bags in my organics green cart?

A2. No. Plastic is not permitted in your green cart. Other options include newspaper; a few sheets can be used to wrap messy food; or use a paper box such as a cereal box. Paper bags and liners can also be purchased from some grocery stores.

Q3. Can I put all my paper and container recycling in one blue bag?

A3. No. As identified on the opposite side of this card, Bag #1 should only contain 'Paper' products that are clean and dry and Bag #2 should only contain clean recyclable 'Containers'. All covers must be removed from containers.

Q4. Can all plastic containers be recycled?

A4. The plastic containers should have a number from 1 through 7 inside a recycling symbol. However, if the container has no number but is the same as another that you know is recyclable, it can be placed in the blue bag for recycling. The number is usually located on the bottom of the container. Some pudding cups have the symbol and others don't, however they will all be recycled if placed in the recycling bag.

Q5. Where does my recycling go?

A5. Recycling from the Town of Mulgrave is first delivered to the transfer station at the Guysborough Waste Management Facility. From there it is trucked to the Colchester Material Recovery Facility for final sorting and marketing.

Q6. Can I use clear bags for recycling?

A6. No. Recyclables must be placed into two semi-transparent blue bags following the Organics Collection and Recycling Guide.

Q7. A clear bag for garbage, what about my privacy?

A7. A clear plastic bag (no colour), no larger than 78L, must be used for garbage. There is an allowance for one privacy bag no larger than 21L or 20" x 22" in each garbage bag for personal bathroom waste. All other garbage should be visible in the bag.

OTHER PROGRAMS ...

- ENVIRO-DEPOT™—Refundable Beverage Containers & Unused Household Paint that is in a can with a label. www.divertns.ca
- Tires—up to four on-road passenger tires can be returned to any tire retailer at one time (off the rim & free of debris).
- Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Program—HHW includes all propane tanks, aerosol cans, florescent & CFL bulbs, motor oil, oil filters, pesticides, herbicides, household cleaning chemicals, pool chemicals, etc. For more information visit www.erswm.ca/guysborough-waste-management-facility/ or call 1-888-232-2316.
- EPRA NS — This program includes all audio visual equipment such as computers, televisions, laptops, radios, DVD players and more. Drop-off locations and more details at www.recycleMYelectronics.ca/NS.

**If you have any questions, call the Town Office or the
Guysborough Waste Management Facility at 1-888-232-2316.**