

WHERE DOES IT ALL GO?

WASTE (GREEN-LID) WHEELIE BIN

The contents are processed at SITA's Advanced Resource Recovery Facility (ARRF) to produce a compost material suitable for use in agriculture.



RECYCLING (YELLOW-LID) WHEELIE BIN

The contents are manually sorted and baled at the Council's Materials Recovery Facility (MRF). These items are then transported to contractors outside the Cairns Region for processing into new materials.



EXCESS RECYCLING MATERIAL CAN BE DISPOSED FREE OF CHARGE AT ANY TRANSFER STATION.

RESIDUAL WASTE

Any items unable to be processed at the **ARRF** or the **MRF** are transported by contractors to a landfill located outside the Cairns Region.

HOW TO DO THE RIGHT THING

1. BE AWARE

- Make sure you know what materials can go in each bin.
- Please take care when separating your waste.
- Make sure you know your collection day.
- Store your bins in a shaded area.
- Clean your bins regularly with hot soapy water.

2. BE PREPARED

Waste (Green-lid) Wheelie Bin Items:

- Wrap all moist & perishable foods in newspaper.
- Ensure no hazardous waste items go into your bin (take these to your nearest Transfer Station).

Recycling (Yellow-lid) Wheelie Bin Items:

- Remove lids, rinse & flatten articles.
- Remember  no plastic bags (check your local supermarket for collection bins).

3. ON COLLECTION DAY

- Place your bins on the kerbside of the road on your correct collection day.
- Your bins may be collected as early as 6.00am - so put them out the night before.
- Ensure your bins are returned to your property within 12 hours after collection.

RECYCLING COLLECTION CALENDARS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE WEBSITE.

MORE INFO

Report any missed bin collection, bin damage or theft within 24 hours.

If you require further information or you're unsure which items are acceptable for Kerbside Waste and Recycling Collection, contact Cairns Regional Water & Waste. We will be pleased to assist you.

www.cairns.qld.gov.au

Customer Service
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do the
right thing
use the
RIGHT BIN

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 Small steps can make a world of difference. Recycled paper.

ARE YOU WHEELIE WISE?

KERBSIDE WASTE & RECYCLING



RECYCLING (YELLOW-LID) WHEELIE BIN

✓ YES



PLASTICS



Not all recyclables are able to be recycled in Cairns due to our operations.

- ✓ YES All Plastic Bottles
- ✓ YES All Plastic Containers

Preparation: Remove lids, rinse & flatten.



PAPER

- ✓ YES All Newspaper & Magazines
- ✓ YES All Cardboard (Including Pizza Boxes)
- ✓ YES All Milk & Juice Cartons

Preparation: No food scraps. Remove lids, rinse & flatten cartons.



GLASS

- ✓ YES All Types of Glass Bottles, Jars
- ✓ YES All Soft Drink Bottles

Preparation: Remove lids & rinse.



ALUMINIUM & STEEL CANS

- ✓ YES All Types of Steel Cans
- ✓ YES All Types of Aluminium Cans

Preparation: Rinse out all food scraps (ensure aerosols are empty).



✗ NO

✗ NO Window Glass, Blue Glass, Broken Glass, Ceramics, Crockery or Light Bulbs

✗ NO Pyrex (i.e. Casserole Dishes)

✗ NO Building Materials

✗ NO Disposable Nappies

✗ NO Garden Waste

✗ NO Syringes

✗ NO Waxy Cardboard Boxes (i.e. Fruit & Vegetable Boxes, Waxed Packaging Boxes)

✗  no plastic bags

✗ NO Food Scraps

✗ NO Clothing, Sheets or Pillows

WASTE (GREEN-LID) WHEELIE BIN

✓ YES

✓ YES Kitchen Waste

✓ YES General Household Waste

✓ YES Small Garden Waste

✓ YES Waxy Cardboard Boxes

(i.e. Fruit & Vegetable Boxes, Waxed Packaging Boxes)

DO NOT OVERFILL YOUR BIN, THE LID MUST BE FULLY CLOSED.

Our household waste becomes compost.



A WHEELIE GREEN FUTURE

✗ NO

✗ NO Construction, Demolition or Earth Materials

✗ NO Bricks or Concrete

✗ NO Hot Ashes

✗ NO Recyclable Items

✗ NO Car Batteries

✗ NO Solvents, Paints, Chemicals & Oil

✗ NO Flammables



HAZARDOUS WASTE AND OTHER ITEMS CAN BE DISPOSED OF AT YOUR NEAREST TRANSFER STATION.

Putting incorrect items in your recycling bin can make your entire neighbourhood's collection NON-RECYCLABLE!