

# Recycling: what do we collect?



## Paper

### Yes, please!



- ✓ Newspapers and magazines.
- ✓ Leaflets and junk mail.
- ✓ Catalogues and directories.
- ✓ White envelopes, with or without windows.

### No, thanks!

- ✗ Padded envelopes, like Jiffy bags.
- ✗ Books.
- ✗ Plastic film packaging around magazines.

### Tips

- Books that cannot be reused or donated can go to recycling sites
- Shredded paper can go in tied carrier bags

## Glass bottles and jars



- ✓ Any colour: clear, coloured or opaque.
- ✓ From food and drink, such as wine bottles and jam jars.
- ✓ Non-food items such as cosmetics and empty medicine bottles.

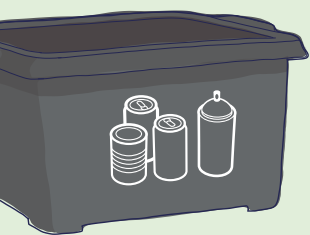
- ✗ Broken glass.
- ✗ Window glass.
- ✗ Drinking glasses.
- ✗ Cookware such as Pyrex or similar.

### Tips

- Rinse
- Leave lids on, plastic or metal

# Metal packaging

## Yes, please!



- ✓ Steel or aluminium tins and cans.
- ✓ From food or drink, for example, soup or soft drinks.
- ✓ Empty aerosols.
- ✓ Kitchen foil and foil trays.

## No, thanks!

- ✗ Cutlery.
- ✗ Pots and pans.
- ✗ Biscuit tins.
- ✗ Metal tools.

### Tips

- Rinse tins and cans
- Leave nozzles on aerosols and labels on tins and cans
- Rinse and scrunch up foil

# Plastic bottles



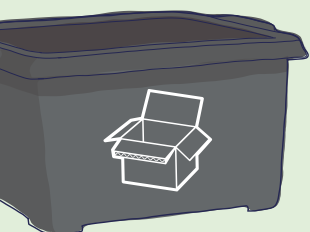
- ✓ Any colour: clear, coloured or opaque.
- ✓ Such as from milk, juice, sauce, water and soft drinks.
- ✓ Bottles from shampoo, bleach and cleaning products.

- ✗ Spray nozzles and trigger tops, like those on cleaning products
- ✗ Pumps like you might find on liquid soap bottles.
- ✗ Pots, tubs and trays.
- ✗ Plastic bags and film.

### Tips

- Plastic bottles, pots, tubs and trays can be taken to recycle sites
- Rinse and squash
- Leave the lids on, screw cap and flip cap

# Cardboard



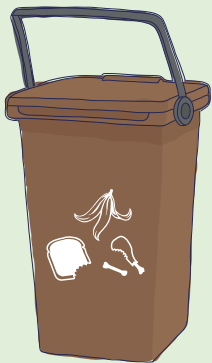
- ✓ Brown or white corrugated cardboard boxes.
- ✓ Thin card, such as cereal and washing powder boxes and ready meal sleeves.
- ✓ Egg boxes.
- ✓ Toilet and kitchen roll tubes.
- ✓ Brown envelopes, with or without windows.

- ✗ Plastic film packaging.
- ✗ Polystyrene or other packaging.

### Tips

- We can collect the equivalent of two extra recycling boxes of cardboard
- Flatten boxes, cut up larger pieces
- Take large quantities to recycling sites

## Food waste



### Yes, please!

- All food.
- Cooked and raw.
- Meat, fish and bones.
- Dairy produce.
- Tea bags and coffee grounds.
- Paper kitchen towel.

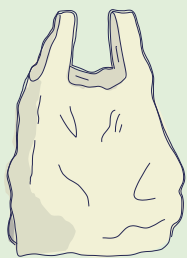
### No, thanks!

- Pet litter or poo.
- Any food packaging, including “compostable” containers.
- Flowers or garden waste.
- Liquids and cooking oils (cooking oils can be taken to recycling sites).
- Tissues.

### Tips

- Line caddy with compostable liners or newspaper, not plastic bags
- Freezer breakdown? Double-bag spoilt food in its packaging and take to recycling site

## Clothes and shoes



- Wearable clothes and shoes, of good enough quality to be worn again.

- Bedding, curtains, towels or any other textiles.
- Poor quality clothes and shoes.

### Tips

- In tied plastic bag, not black sacks (so we know it is not rubbish)
- Only put out on a dry morning
- Charity shop or collection is the best option

Most people in Somerset are recycling. Are you?