

# A – Z guide for waste and recycling

## Unsure what items go where?

This guide will help you identify what can be recycled or recovered. Find your item on the list and match it with the action key.

## More information

Phone the Waste Hotline on 4474 1024 or visit our website [www.esc.nsw.gov.au/waste](http://www.esc.nsw.gov.au/waste)

### Action key

- 1** General waste: red lid bin
- 2** Recycling: yellow lid bin
- 3** Garden organics: green lid bin
- 4** Recycled free at all Waste Management Facilities
- 5** General waste at all WMF
- 6** Community Recycling Centre at Surf Beach WMF
- 7** Household chemical cleanout collection
- 8** Hard waste collection
- 9** Surf Beach and Brou WMF
- 10** Compost bin/worm farm
- 11** Charity
- 12** Call Council on 4474 1024
- 13** Accepted at all WMF

Waste type	Action
Acids and alkalis	7
Aerosol cans (empty)	2 4
Aluminium cans	2 4
Aluminium foil	2 4
Animal droppings	1 5
Asbestos	12
Batteries (car)	4 6
Batteries (household)	4 6 7 12
Books	2 4 11 8
Bottles (plastic/glass)	2 4
Bricks	9
Broken glass	1 5
Bubble wrap	1 4
Building materials	9
Cars	9
Cardboard	2 4 10
Carpet	5 8
Chemicals	7
Chip packets	1 5
Cleaning products	7
Cling wrap/soft plastics	1 4
Clothing/textiles	1 4 11 12
Coffee cups	1 5
Computers and accessories	4
Concrete	9
Cooking oil	4 6
Crockery	1 5 8
Dead animals	9
Disposable nappies	1 5
Drums (empty)	4 8
DVD player	4
Egg cartons	2 4

Waste type	Action
Electronic equipment	4
Exercise equipment	4 8
Fertilisers	7
Fire extinguishers	6 7
Flares	12
Fluorescent tubes	4 6 7
Fridges	4 8
Fruit/vegetable scraps	1 5 10
Fuel	7
Furniture	8 9 11
Garden waste	3 10 13
Gas cylinders	6 7
Hot water system	4 8
Jars (plastic/glass)	2 4
Ink cartridges	4 12
Kitty litter	1 5
Lawn clippings	3 10 13
Lids (< credit card)	1 5
Lids (> credit card)	2 4
Magazines	2 4 11
Mattresses	9 12
Meat trays (foam)	1 5
Medicines	7 12
Milk containers	2 4
Mobile phones	4 12
Motor oil	4 6 7
Needles/syringes	7 12
Newspaper	2 4 10
Oven	4 8
Paint	6 7
Paint tins (dry only)	4
Paper	2 4 10

Waste type	Action
Paper towel	1 5 10
Pesticides	7
Pet food tins	2 4
Petrol	7
Pizza boxes (empty)	2 4
Plastic bags	1 4
Plastic containers	2 4
Poisons	7
Polystyrene packaging	1 4
Printers/scanners	4
Scrap metal	4 8
Shredded paper	1 5 10
Smoke detectors	6 7
Soil	12
Solar panels	12 13
Steel cans	2 4
Stereos	4
Televisions	4
Timber	9
Tissues	1 5 10
Toothbrushes/tubes	1 5
Toys	5 8 11
Tree prunings	3 13
Tyres	9
Vacuum cleaner dust	1 5 10
Waxed cardboard	1 5
White goods	4 8
Wrapping paper	2 4 10
X-rays	12