

Waste & Recycling Guide

2025 – 2026

FOR RESIDENTS



The City of Perth is working to align with the State's Waste Avoidance and Resource Recovery Strategy 2030 to become a sustainable, low-waste, circular economy in which human health and the environment are protected from the impacts of waste.



Waste and Recycling Targets

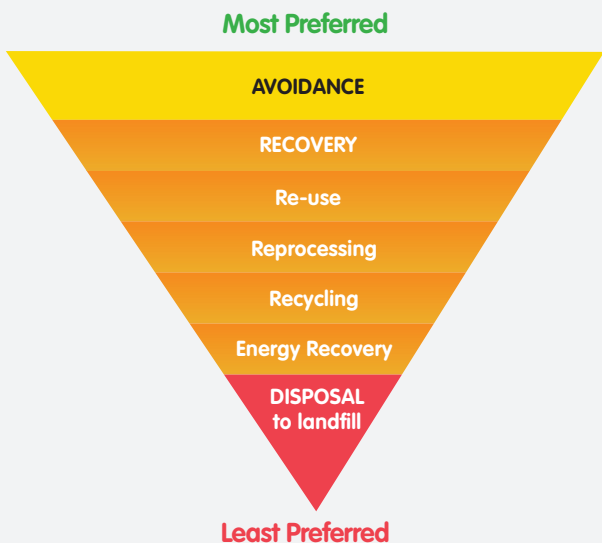
Australians send more than 20 million tonnes of waste to landfill every year. We just put things in the bin and the council takes it away. It's out of sight and out of mind. But the amount of waste we generate is a big problem, and it's only getting bigger.

The state government have set a target of 75 percent material recovery (diversion from landfill) by 2030. In the 2023/2024 financial year, the City of Perth recycled 3,903 tonnes of waste and had a total recovery rate of 21.88%.

Therefore, in order to progress towards the State's target, it is very important that the City of Perth, together with its residents, businesses, and visitors, aim to minimise waste as much as possible, and utilise all recycling services correctly.

The Waste Hierarchy

The waste hierarchy (please see below) ranks waste management options in order of their environmental desirability. Waste avoidance is the most preferred option and disposal (to landfill) is the least preferred option.



Avoidance

The best way to deal with waste is to prevent it in the first place. Consider if what your buying is essential and opt for alternatives that don't create additional waste.

Re-Use

Rather than throwing things away, we should check to see if it can be used again, repaired or repurposed.

Reprocessing

Using materials that would otherwise become waste (such as off-cuts) during the production process.

Recycling

When we recycle something, we convert the item back into raw materials that can be used to create new products.

Energy Recovery

Some waste can be converted into energy, allowing us to recover some of the value of the material used to create it.

Disposal To Landfill

If waste isn't reused, recycled or recovered it ends up in the environment or in landfill.

When is my bin collected?

Please see the sticker on the back of your bin for your address and collection day and time (day/night)

THIS BIN IS **RESERVED** CITY OF PERTH

Company Business Name _____

Address _____

Bin registration no:

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Night	Day
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

For further information ring 0800 01 30 27

NIGHT

Your bin must be out for collection before **8pm**

DAY

Your bin must be out before **6am**

For West Perth residents, your general waste (landfill) bin must be out before **4pm**. If your sticker has faded, call City of Perth customer service on 9461 3333.



RECYCLING

Collected weekly

What CAN I recycle in my yellow lid bin?



Plastic bottles*
+ containers
(remove all lids)



Glass bottles +
Jars (including
broken glass)



Aluminium +
steel cans*

* Take eligible items to a Containers for Change refund point to get 10c back refer to page 9
containersforchange.com.au/wa



Cardboard
(flattened) +
cartons



Magazines +
paper (no
shredded paper)

What CAN'T I put in my yellow lid bin?



Food or
liquids



Silver lined
cartons



Bagged
recycling



Soft plastics + lids



Aerosols*



Coffee cups



Meat trays



Polystyrene*



Clothing*

* To find drop off locations for these items, please visit RecycleRight.wa.gov.au/find-my-nearest

Loose

Items should always be loose. Bagged items cannot be recycled.



Rinse

Empty and rinse your recyclables to reduce contamination.

Lids off

Remove all lids from bottles and containers.



All Lids to be placed into the General Waste Bin.
Eligible Containers for Change lids can be taken to a refund point. Refer to page 9.

Your recycling is taken to **Veolia's Material Recovery Facility** in Bibra Lake. Here, recyclable materials are separated, baled and then transported to manufacturers for reprocessing into new products including paper, packaging, road base, clothes, carpet, outdoor furniture, appliances and parts for bikes, cars and airplanes.



For more recycling information, scan the QR code or visit recycleright.wa.gov.au



GARDEN ORGANICS (GO)

Collected fortnightly

What **CAN** I put in my green lid bin?



Prunings +
common weeds



Branches
(under 1m)



Leaves +
grass clippings

Verge collections can handle larger branches etc than the GO collections.

What **CAN'T** I put in my green lid bin?



Food



Dog/animal
poo



Plastic
bags



Plastic
pots

Garden Organics (GO) collection areas



A larger version of this map is available online
at perth.wa.gov.au/waste-residents

Garden Organics (GO) collection days

March 2025

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
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24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

April 2025

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May 2025

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June 2025

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July 2025

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August 2025

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September 2025

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November 2025

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December 2025

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January 2026

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February 2026

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Please refer to perth.wa.gov.au/live-and-work/residents/rubbish-waste-and-recycling for any disruption to bin collection services around public holidays



GENERAL WASTE (LANDFILL)

Collected weekly

What **CAN** I put in my red lid bin?



General rubbish



Food scraps



Plastic bags + Soft plastics



Nappies



Metal + plastic lids*



Styrofoam + polystyrene*

*

Eligible containers for change lids can be taken to a refund point.
containersforchange.com.au/wa

refer to page 9

What **CAN'T** I put in my red lid bin?



Paint*



Aerosols*



Batteries*



Construction waste
(cement, bricks, rubble, sand)*



Hazardous waste*

* To find drop off locations for these items, please visit
RecycleRight.wa.gov.au/find-my-nearest



WE CAN BEAT IT IF WE DON'T FEED IT

**IF YOU SEE THE 10¢ MARK ON
YOUR DRINK CONTAINERS,
DON'T THROW THEM AWAY**

Join the thousands of Western Australians giving their containers another life with Containers for Change. Refunds can be received via your member number or cash. Or, donate your refund to a charity or local community group that is important to you.



CONTAINER REFUND POINT

8 Aberdeen Street, Perth

Full service including cash refund, bag drop and member number



REVERSE VENDING MACHINE REFUND POINT

68a Roe Street, Northbridge

Member number refund only



OPENING HOURS AT BOTH LOCATIONS:

Monday to Friday: 10:00am – 4:00pm

Saturday and Sunday: 10:00am – 1:00pm

Closed on public holidays

The City of Perth offers a free collection service for businesses and apartment buildings with a full refund via your member number. Please email CDS.inbox@cityofperth.wa.gov.au to find out more.



FIND OUT MORE

SCAN THE QR CODE OR VISIT
PERTH.WA.GOV.AU/CONTAINERS-FOR-CHANGE

Residential bulk verge collection

The City of Perth provides two verge collections (March and September) for residents each year. You will be given at least two weeks' notice of the collection date.

This residential verge collection **WILL REMOVE:**



Whitegoods

Stoves, freezers, refrigerators (doors removed), etc



Electronic waste

Televisions, computers, printers, mobile phones, DVD & CD Players, VCRs, and Hi-Fi Equipment



Old furniture, mattresses



Garden waste

Tree and shrub prunings up to 1.5m in length and up to 30cm in diameter, lawn clippings & leaves in boxes

- Place items in separate piles as per above groupings
- Neatly place items on the street verge
- Items must be able to be lifted by **maximum** 2 people
- Ensure items do not obstruct the footpath for pedestrians

Some items (including hazardous waste) **WILL NOT BE REMOVED** during the verge collection.



Construction waste (cement, bricks, rubble, sand)



Tyres + motor oil



Vehicle parts

See the next page for how to dispose of items not collected (including hazardous waste). For more information, visit perth.wa.gov.au/waste-residents

Items collected during verge collections are taken to a sorting facility to ensure as many items as possible are recycled. Please assess all items for recycling and reuse options before putting them out for verge collection.

Drop-off facility

Did you know most items not collected during the verge collection can be taken to:

Recycling Centre Balcatta

238 Balcatta Road, Balcatta | 9205 8555

Please note: fees may apply to some items so please contact the facility before you visit for the most up-to-date information.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW)

This waste is hazardous to the environment and should **NOT** be placed in any of your bins! This includes items such as (but not limited to):



Household light globes and tubes



Printer cartridges



Paint, aerosols & chemicals



Batteries



Gas cylinders



Smoke alarms

Did you know there are multiple locations to drop off your HHW for free? To find out more, please visit:

- wastenet.net.au/hhw
- bcycle.com.au/drop-off
- cyclesolutions.net.au/drop-off-locations
- recycleright.wa.gov.au/find-my-nearest

City of Perth Contacts

Waste and Recycling enquiries

9461 3333

info@cityofperth.wa.gov.au

perth.wa.gov.au/waste-residents

perth.wa.gov.au/waste-businesses

Goodbye Graffiti

1800 442 255

This Guide is available online and can also be collected from the Library, Council House and Citiplace.

Alternative options are available if you cannot collect a guide in person; please get in touch with the City on 9461 3333 or by email.



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