



Week 1, Week 2, Tertiary

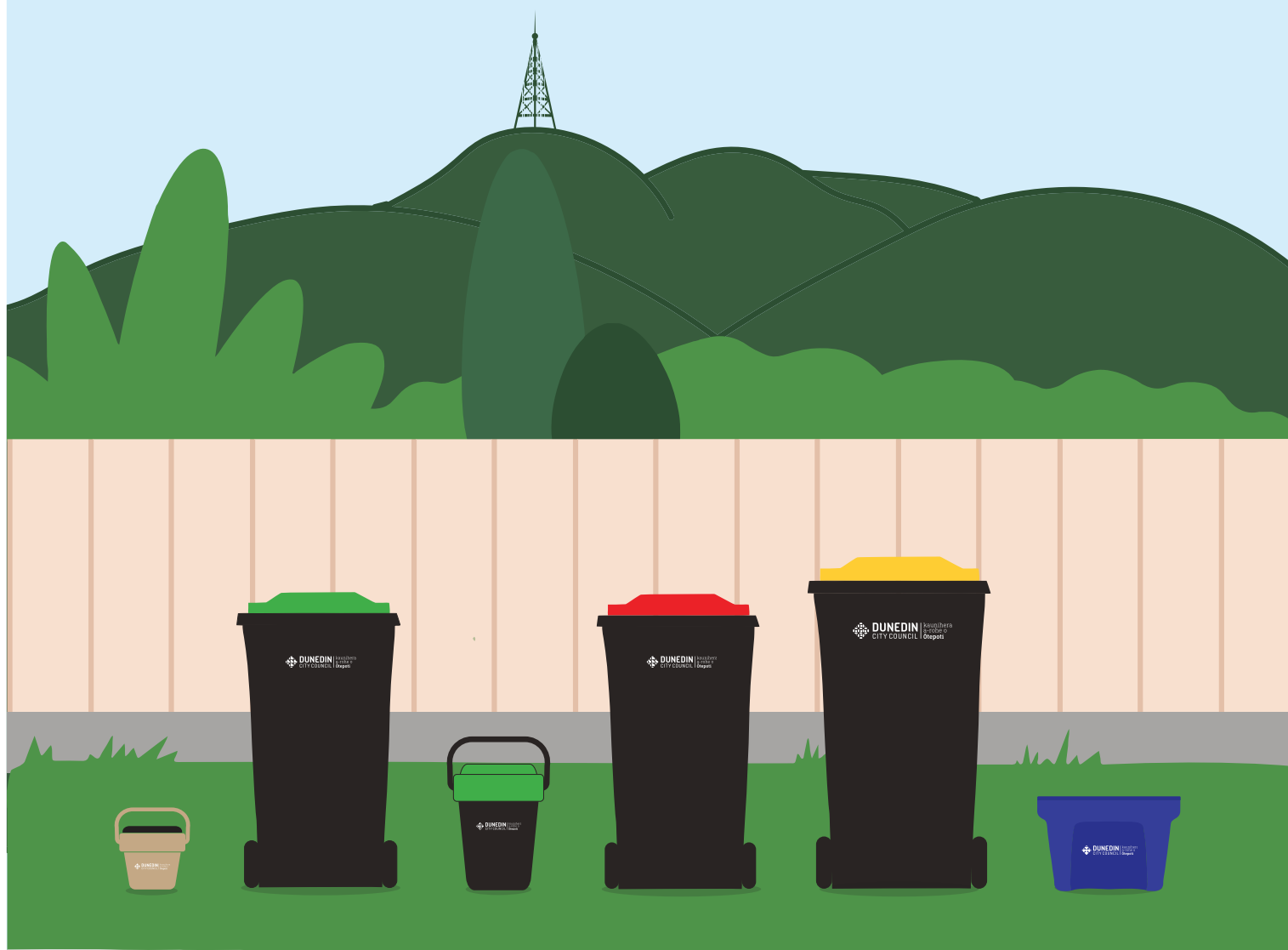
ŌTEPOTI DUNEDIN'S KERBSIDE RECYCLING AND RUBBISH GUIDE

INSIDE:

- How to use your new bins
- Kerbside recycling guide
- What really happens to your recycling

Use this guide and the **kerbside collection calendar** to help you put the right bins out for collection each week.

A longer version of this guide is available at www.dunedin.govt.nz/recycle



LET'S SORT IT OUT ŌTEPOTI DUNEDIN!

Why we're changing our kerbside collection

From 1 July 2024, we're adding two new bins to your kerbside collection service.

You already have your yellow-lidded mixed recycling bin and a blue glass recycling bin. You will receive a new green-lidded food scraps and garden waste recycling bin and a new red-lidded rubbish bin.

Your collected food scraps and garden waste will be composted and reused.

This will help you reduce waste going to landfill. It will help the environment by reducing the climate changing methane produced when food or green waste is buried in a landfill.

Help Ōtepoti Dunedin reach its zero waste, zero carbon goals!

DCC KERBSIDE COLLECTION APP

Download the free DCC Kerbside Collection App to find out when your bins are collected, what you can put in them and more.

You can choose to receive collection day reminders. We'll send alerts and notices if there's any kerbside news you need to know.



WHAT BINS ARE COLLECTED TOGETHER?



Put out your blue glass recycling bin on its usual collection day every two weeks, with your red-lidded and green-lidded bin.



Put out your yellow-lidded mixed recycling bin on its usual collection day every two weeks, with your green-lidded bin.

Remember – your green-lidded bin is collected every week.

Do you live in the Tertiary area close to the University or Polytechnic?

If you live in the Tertiary area you can put out all your bins every Tuesday.

PUTTING YOUR BINS OUT

Bins out by 7am on collection day

- Place the correct bins at the kerbside by 7am on your collection day and not before 7pm the night before.
- Collection begins at 7am and can continue until 7pm on your collection day.
- **Bring your bins in at the end of the day.**

Place your bins correctly

Put bins out for collection on the footpath close to the kerb edge, 50cm away from lamp posts and 30cm away from other bins, and with plenty of clear space above. Please use the black latches to keep wheelie bin lids closed.

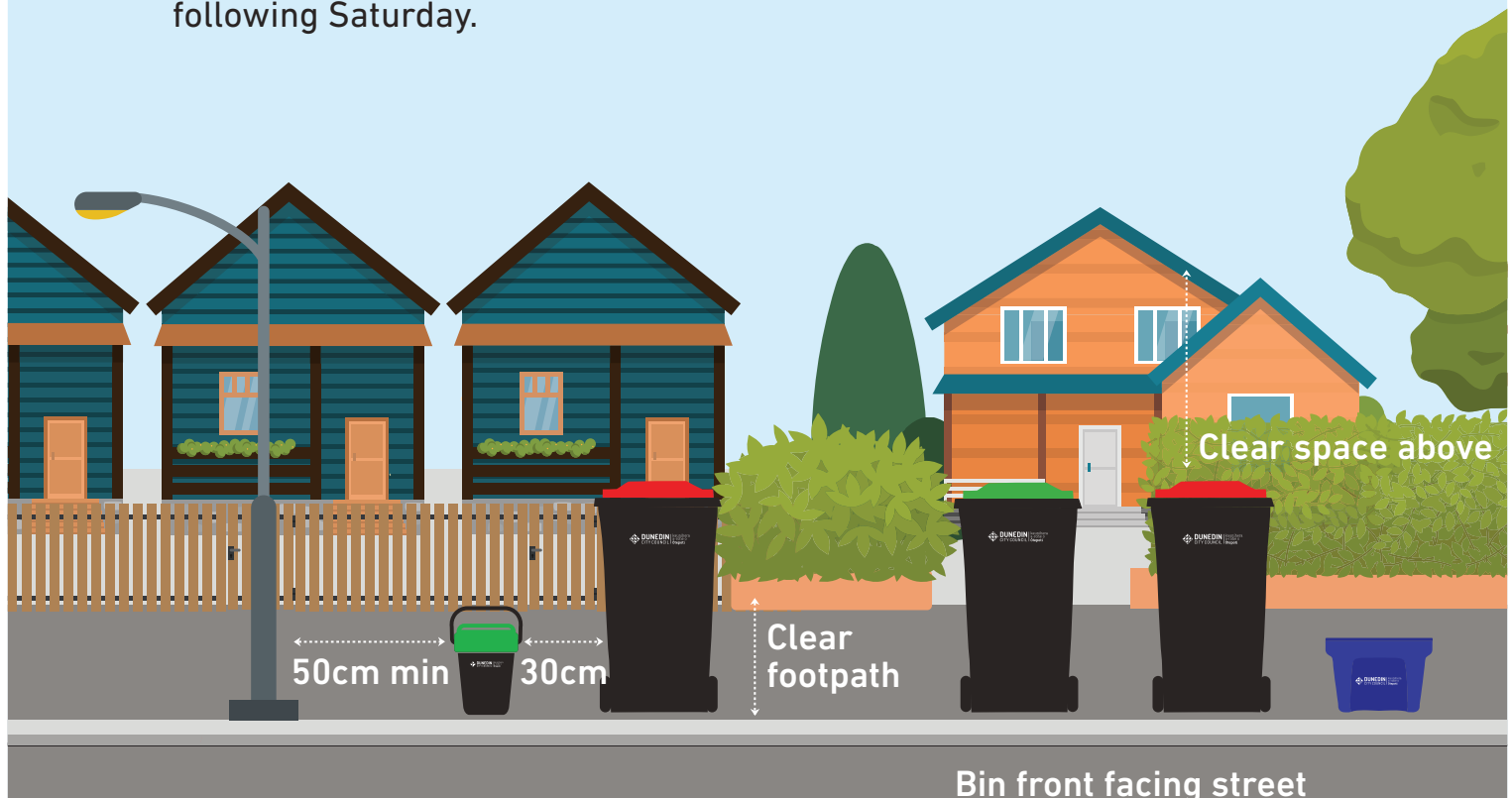
Keep the footpath clear so people can walk past easily.

Keep clear of bus stops.

Rubbish and recycling collection holidays

We do not collect on:

- Good Friday – collection occurs the next day, on Easter Saturday
- Christmas Day (if it falls on a week day) – collection occurs on the following Saturday
- New Year's Day (if it falls on a week day) – collection occurs on the following Saturday.





OR



GREEN-LIDDED BIN

Put your food scraps and garden waste in this bin.

Yes



Food scraps

Fruit, vegetables | bread/pastries | baked goods
coffee grounds | loose leaf tea | cheese | eggs
butter



Meat, bones and seafood

Leftover meat | bones | shellfish | fish



Garden waste

Garden waste | lawn clippings | leaves | cut flowers
cuttings | small branches



Hair and animal fur



USING YOUR KITCHEN BENCHTOP BIN

Use this bin to gather household food scraps. There is a guide on the lid to help you know what to put in.

Empty it into your green-lidded recycling bin, then give it a rinse out in hot soapy water (extend its life by keeping it out of the dishwasher).

Store in an easy to reach place in your kitchen.

Keep all these items out of your green-lidded bin.

No



- ✗ **Paper, cardboard** – these must go in the yellow-lidded recycling bin



- ✗ **Ash** – these must be cold, damp, wrapped and placed in the rubbish bin



- ✗ **Liquids***



- ✗ **Flax, cabbage tree, palm tree leaves*** – these jam the processing machinery

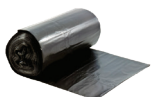


- ✗ **Tea bags** – because some have plastic glues



- ✗ **Treated timber, sawdust, shavings, soil***

- ✗ **Compostable containers** – even if they say “compostable”, place cups, trays, boxes, pottles in the rubbish bin



- ✗ **Bin liners**

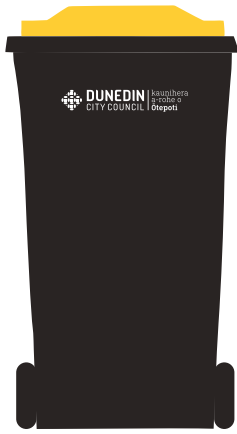


- ✗ **Plastics** – even if they are “compostable”, please place plastic items in the rubbish bin (unless of course it is clean, rigid plastic with a recycling number 1, 2 or 5, which goes in the yellow-lidded bin)



- ✗ **Animal poo or kitty litter**

***Please take to Green Island Landfill Resource Recovery Park. A small fee may apply.**



YELLOW-LIDDED MIXED RECYCLING BIN

Items in this bin need to be correct, clean and safe.

The items you put in this bin are sorted by our recycling processing team. Let's keep them safe as they help make sure your recycling is reused, again and again.

Yes



✓ Rigid plastic containers and plastic bottles with recycling numbers 1, 2 and 5 only

Milk bottles | drink bottles | shampoo bottles | ice cream containers | plastic meat trays | margarine containers | cleaning product bottles

Please do not flatten. All clean. No lids.



✓ Steel and aluminum tins and cans

Please do not flatten. All clean. Discard loose lids.



✓ Paper

Magazines | newspapers | junk mail

Flattened and clean.



✓ Cardboard

Flattened and clean.



No



✗ **Lids, caps, pumps and trigger sprays**



✗ **Aerosol cans, aluminum foil**



✗ **Milk / juice cartons**



✗ **Polystyrene** – please take to Green Island Landfill Resource Recovery Park for recycling



✗ **Soft plastic** – Plastic bags, food wrappers, chips or bread bags, bubble wrap



✗ **Anything larger than a 4-litre container or smaller than a small dip container**



BIN TIPS

- Please do not overfill any of your bins
- Bins that are too heavy will not be collected
- Please keep recycling loose – not compacted or bagged. Bagged recycling goes to the landfill – so stay loose!
- Please use latches to keep wheelie bin lids closed. These are available at DCC Service Centres.



BLUE GLASS RECYCLING BIN

Place your glass bottles and jars in this bin.

Yes



Bottles

Clean, unbroken, no lids



Jars

Clean, unbroken, no lids

No



No lids, caps, pumps and trigger sprays – place in your rubbish bin

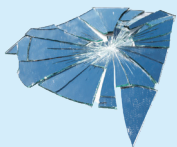
No items that cannot be recycled, such as:



oven safe glassware



drinking glasses



windscreen glass, mirror or plate glass



old light bulbs



broken bottles or jars

Please wrap these items and place in your red-lidded rubbish bin.



RED-LIDDED RUBBISH BIN – THE LAST RESORT!

Place any household rubbish that cannot be reused, repaired or recycled into your red-lidded bin.

There are some items that cannot go in this bin.

No



- ✗ **Gas bottles** – these are a fire risk. Please take to Green Island Landfill Resource Recovery Park for safe disposal. A small fee may apply.



- ✗ **Batteries** – these are a fire risk. Please take to Green Island Landfill Resource Recovery Park for safe disposal. A small fee may apply.



- ✗ **Hazardous waste** – Please take to Green Island Landfill Resource Recovery Park for safe disposal. A small fee may apply. This includes unwrapped broken glass or sharp objects.



- ✗ **Liquids** – Please take to Green Island Landfill Resource Recovery Park for safe disposal. A small fee may apply.



- ✗ **Loose/hot ashes** – these are a fire risk. Ashes must be cold, damp and wrapped before being placed in the rubbish bin.



- ✗ **Green waste** – place this in your green-lidded bin or take to Green Island Landfill Resource Recovery Park.



- ✗ **Soil**



- ✗ **Heavy items**

WHERE DOES YOUR RECYCLING GO?



Food scraps and garden waste – This material goes to Green Island Landfill Resource Recovery Park to be shredded. This will then go to a commercial composting space in Redruth, Timaru, until our own planned commercial composting area is built beside Green Island Landfill Resource Recovery Park.

The material we collect is turned into compost for reuse by gardeners and growers. This recycles organic waste, lowers emissions and helps the environment.



Mixed recycling – This material goes to the Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) in Redruth, Timaru. We plan to build our own state-of-the-art MRF at Green Island Landfill Resource Recovery Park.

Mixed recycling collected from households and businesses is sorted and separated in the MRF. Most sorting is done by machines. Some hand sorting is still done.

From there, recyclables are then sent to local and international markets to receive a second life.



Glass – As it is put into the truck, your glass recycling is colour hand-sorted by our kerbside collection team. The sorted glass is sent to VISY Recycling in Auckland, to be re-made into bottles.



Rubbish – Your rubbish is buried in a landfill. As it breaks down it creates greenhouse gases such as methane. We generate renewable energy from waste at Green Island landfill. A gas capture system turns landfill gases into electricity, helping power the Green Island Wastewater Treatment Plant. Excess power goes into the electricity grid.

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