



# What's new in recycling?



[www.teignbridge.gov.uk/recycling](http://www.teignbridge.gov.uk/recycling)

Don't let Devon go to waste



# Frequently asked questions



## Do I have to use a plastic bag to wrap my food waste?

No, but we recommend lining your kitchen caddy or food waste container to keep it clean and to prevent residue building up. You can use any plastic bag such as a bread bag or pedal bin liner, small amounts of newspaper or compostable liners. Plastic bags are removed in the process and sent to an Energy from Waste plant for treatment.

## Can I recycle black plastic?

Unfortunately we cannot accept black plastic trays for recycling. This is because processors are currently unable to sort them from other materials. Please put them in your black bin and try to avoid buying items packaged in them.



## Can I recycle drinks cartons and paper cups?

Yes, but only at carton recycling banks which are located across the district. Find your nearest carton bank at [teignbridge.gov.uk/recyclingbanks](http://teignbridge.gov.uk/recyclingbanks) We cannot accept them in your kerbside collection.



## Can I recycle metal and plastic lids?

Yes, just leave them on bottles or jars and they will be separated for recycling.

## How do I report a missed bin?

If your containers were left on the kerbside by 7am, but we've missed them, please let us know **within 48 hours of the collection** at [teignbridge.gov.uk/missedcollection](http://teignbridge.gov.uk/missedcollection)

# You can now recycle foil in your black box

The items listed below can be put in your black box.

## Foil containers

Ready meal trays, quiche and pie cases, take away trays and pet food trays.

## Foil Lids

Found on some yoghurt and cream tubs and pet food trays. Please rinse off any food residue.

## Kitchen foil

Wipe or shake off any crumbs. Please don't include any foil that has lots of baked-on food or is very greasy.

## No thank you

Crisp packets, drink, baby food and pet food pouches, shiny 'foil' gift wrap



## The scrunch test!

Not sure if it's foil? Some shiny silver packaging looks like foil but is actually plastic so **DO THE SCRUNCH TEST!** Just scrunch the pack or foil in your hand, if it stays scrunched it's foil and can be recycled. If it springs open then it's plastic film and cannot be recycled.



## Garden Waste Collection Service

It's not too late to sign up! The new garden waste collection period runs from 1 September until 31 August. If you would like us to collect your garden waste every fortnight sign up online at [teignbridge.gov.uk/gardenwaste](https://teignbridge.gov.uk/gardenwaste).



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	<b>Paper sack</b>		<b>paper</b>
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	<b>Food waste container</b>		<b>food waste</b>
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	<b>Green box</b>		<b>cardboard</b>
			<b>glass</b>

	<b>Black box</b>		<b>plastic packaging</b>
			<b>tins, cans, aerosols &amp; foil</b>

	<b>Textiles</b>		<b>textiles</b>
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	<b>Black bin</b>	Only waste that cannot be recycled or composted should be placed in your black bin for disposal.	
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### Should I stack my boxes?

Yes please. Stack your recycling boxes to prevent plastics blowing out of boxes on windy days.

### Can I put everything in one box?

No, please separate your recycling as shown above to help us speed up collections. Boxes containing mixed or incorrect items will not be emptied.