

THE SORTING GUIDE





FOOD WASTE

YES PLEASE

- All food waste – both cooked and raw (without packaging)
- Fruits and vegetables
- Meat and bones
- Eggshells
- Seafood and fish
- Coffee filters and tea bags
- Cut flowers
- Paper towel

NO THANKS

- Diapers, cotton swabs and disposable cloths → must go to residual waste
- Pizza trays → must go to residual waste
- Milk and juice cartons → must go to plastic, food and beverage carton
- Cat litter → must go to residual waste in a closed bag
- Bedding for house animals → must go to residual waste in a closed bag
- Potted plants and soil → must be taken to a recycling station



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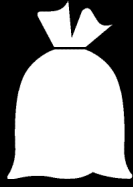
to minimize the risk of odours, flies and maggots:

1. Let the food waste drip well before throwing it out.
2. Pack perishable and/or heavily smelling foods into paper towel (e.g. fish and meat).
3. Do not overfill your green bags, and close them with a knot.
4. Carefully place your green bags in the outdoor container so that the bag is not pierced.
5. Change your green bag every 2 days during hot periods.



*Food waste? Think before you throw out.
Maybe the food can be used in the packed
lunch or as leftovers the next day?*

*Remember to use the green bags for
food waste.*



RESIDUAL WASTE

YES PLEASE

- Pizza trays
- Chips bags and coffee bags
- Diapers and sanitary napkins
- Vacuum cleaner bags (wrapped)
- Gift wrapping paper
- Flamingo
- Bedding for pets (in closed bags)
- Napkins
- Disposable cups
- Used fireworks

NO THANKS

- Waste that can be recycled, such as plastic, paper, glass, metal, food and textiles → see in this sorting guide
- Needles, medicine residues and packaging → must be taken to pharmacy or a recycling station
- Chemicals, self-flammable cloths (needs to be soaked with water and placed in jars with tight-fitting lids) → must be taken to a recycling station
- Pressure bottles → must be taken to a recycling station
- Unused fireworks → must be taken to a recycling station



Remember to tie a knot on the bag with residual waste so that the container does not get dirty inside.



PAPER

YES PLEASE

- Newspapers, weekly magazine, magazines and advertisements (without plastic wrapping)
- Letters and envelopes (including pane envelopes)
- Brochures
- Photocopies
- Writing and drawing paper
- Paper bags that are clean and dry

NO THANKS

- Carton and cardboard → must go to cardboard
- Gift wrapping paper → must go to residual waste
- Oatmeal bags, flour bags and the like → must go to residual waste
- Books → must be taken to a recycling station
- Gift ribbon and string → must go to residual waste
- Pizza trays → must go to residual waste
- Egg trays → must go to cardboard
- Baking paper → must go to residual waste



PAPER



Remember, the paper can be crumpled or torn – just not dirty or wet, because then it cannot be recycled.

Place paper loosely in the container without a bag or plastic packaging around it.



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PLASTIC, FOOD AND BEVERAGE CARTONS

YES PLEASE

- Plastic bottles from e.g. detergents, shampoos and juices – without deposit
- Plastic trays from meat, vegetables and fruits
- Household films, plastic bags and bubble wrap
- Plastic toys without electronics or PVC
- Milk, juice and yoghurt cartons
- Cartons from food e.g. peeled tomatoes, beans and the like

NO THANKS

- Styrofoam → must go to residual waste
- Plastic packaging marked with hazard symbols → must be placed in the environmental box or environmental cabinet for hazardous waste or a recycling station
- Medicine packaging → must be taken to a recycling station or pharmacy
- Rubber → must be taken to a recycling station
- PVC e.g. rainwear, rubber boots, bathing toys, bathing wings and plastic pipes → must be handed over to bulky waste or a recycling station
- Plastic with electronics → must be placed in the environmental box or environmental cabinet for hazardous waste or a recycling station

Remember that plastic packaging and cartons must be emptied of their contents. Please collect your plastic, food and beverage cartons in a plastic bag.



PLASTICS



**BEVERAGE &
FOOD CARTONS**





GLASS

YES PLEASE

- Glass bottles
- Jam jars
- Vitamin glass
- Preservation glass
- Wine bottles
- Drinking glass (not crystal)
- Broken glass

NO THANKS

- Crystal glass and glass art → must be taken to a recycling station
- Porcelain e.g. plates → must be taken to a recycling station
- Ceramics, ovenproof dishes and glass → must be handed over to bulky waste or a recycling station
- Light bulbs and energy-saving light bulbs → must be placed in the environmental box or environmental cabinet for hazardous waste or a recycling station
- Medicine glass → must be taken to a recycling station (remaining medicine must be handed over to pharmacy)
- Mirrors, windows and panes → must be handed over to bulky waste or a recycling station



Glass does not have to be completely clean – just emptied and free of residue. Metal lids are allowed to remain on the glass.





METAL

YES PLEASE

- Food tins/cans
- Metal capsules and lids e.g. from glasses
- Tealight holders
- Pots and pans
- Foil trays
- Coffee capsules without coffee
- Cutlery, scissors and kitchen knives
- Tin foil/ aluminium foil
- Beverage cans without deposit

NO THANKS

- Metal containing electronics and batteries → must be placed in the environmental box or environmental cabinet for hazardous waste or a recycling station
- Spray cans → must be placed in the environmental box or environmental cabinet for hazardous waste or a recycling station
- Coffee bags and coffee capsules with coffee → must go to residual waste
- Gas cylinders → must be taken to a recycling station
- Large metal objects like bicycles → must be handed over to bulky waste or a recycling station

Only put small pieces of metal in the container, as larger items can get stuck.



METAL



CARDBOARD

YES PLEASE

- Cardboard boxes, both large and small
- Cardboard
- Moving boxes
- Corrugated board
- Packaging from breakfast packs, toothpaste and the like
- Toilet and kitchen towels
- Egg trays
- Shoe boxes

NO THANKS

- Paper, newspapers and magazines → must go to paper
- Wet and dirty cardboard → must go to residual waste
- Pizza trays → must go to residual waste
- Flamingo → must go to residual waste
- Food and beverage cartons → must go to plastic, food and beverage cartons
- Paper cups → must go to residual waste
- Masking cardboard used for painting work → must go to residual waste or a recycling station

Fold and divide cardboard boxes so they don't take up space.



CARDBOARD



HAZARDOUS WASTE

YES PLEASE

- Batteries
- Light bulbs, LED and fluorescent lamps
- Thermometers
- Spray cans (empty and full)
- Poison for plants, insects and pesticides
- Chemicals (also empty packaging)
- Oil residue (also empty packaging)
- Cleaners
- Paint residues
- Small electronic devices such as toys with electronics and smoke alarms

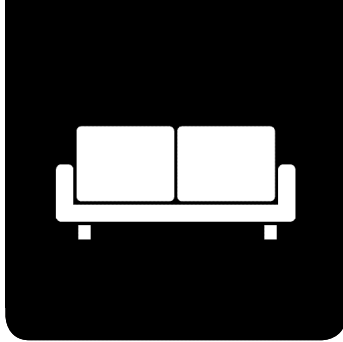
NO THANKS

- Medicine residues → must be handed over to pharmacy
- Syringes → must be handed over to pharmacy
- Pressure bottles → must be taken to a recycling station
- Self-flammable cloths and liquids → must be taken to a recycling station
- Legal, unused fireworks → must be taken to a recycling station

Use your environmental box or environmental cabinet for hazardous waste. Or hand it over to a recycling station.



**HAZARDOUS
WASTE**



BULKY WASTE

YES PLEASE

- Furniture (max. 2,1 x 1 m)
- Spring furniture and spring mattresses
- Large objects of iron and metal – the metal that cannot fit in the container for metal, e.g. bicycles (max. 2 x 2 x 1 m)
- Electronics and white goods – e.g. computers, TVs and vacuum cleaners
- Ceramics and porcelain
- Carpets, styrofoam and similar that cannot fit in the container for residual waste (max. 1 x 1 m)
- Soft PVC e.g. rainwear, rubber boots or garden hoses

NO THANKS

- Construction waste → must be taken to a recycling station
- Sanitation – e.g. toilets and sinks → must be taken to a recycling station
- Fluorescent tubes → must be taken to a recycling station
- Mirrors and glass doors → must be taken to a recycling station
- Gas cylinders → must be taken to a recycling station
- Windows and pane glass → must be taken to a recycling station
- Environmentally hazardous waste → must be placed in the environmental box or environmental cabinet for hazardous waste or a recycling station

Bulky waste not collected in containers must be clearly separated into the different types of waste, and smaller parts must be placed in clear plastic bags.

Bicycles and prams must be marked with bulky waste.



BULKY WASTE



GARDEN WASTE

YES PLEASE

- Leaves
- Flowers
- Branches
- Grass
- Weeds without soil
- Fallen fruit
- Christmas trees
- Christmas trees with wooden foot (max. 3 meters)

NO THANKS

- Soil → must be taken to a recycle station
- Stones → must be taken to a recycle station
- Tree trunks and roots → must be taken to a recycling station
- Animal manure, bedding and undercover, etc. → must go to residual waste

Remember to put garden waste in your garden waste container, in paper bags or tied with natural cord.

Bundles of garden waste may not exceed 1.5 m in length, have a diameter of no more than 0.5 m and a weight of no more than 10 kg.





TEXTILE WASTE

YES PLEASE

- Worn and torn clothing e.g. socks, shirts and trousers
- Used and broken bed linen, towels and tea towels
- Curtains and tablecloths with stains or holes
- Yarn and fabric scraps and rags
- Duvets, pillows and sleeping bags

NO THANKS

- Nice clothes and textiles that can be recycled → must be recycled
- Wet and mouldy clothes and textiles → must go to residual waste
- Clothes with chemical, oil or paint stains → must go to residual waste
- Shoes, boots, belts, bags and leather → must be recycled or treated as residual waste



Remember that textiles must be handed in dry and in a bag. Nice clothes and usable textiles still need to be recycled. Remember to tie the knot on the bag.



TEXTILE WASTE

CONTACT

If you have any questions about sorting your waste, you can read more at www.ballerup.dk/affald. You can also contact Ressourceindsamlings customer service.

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