

HOUSEHOLD RECYCLING & DISPOSAL GUIDE



Bin collection service

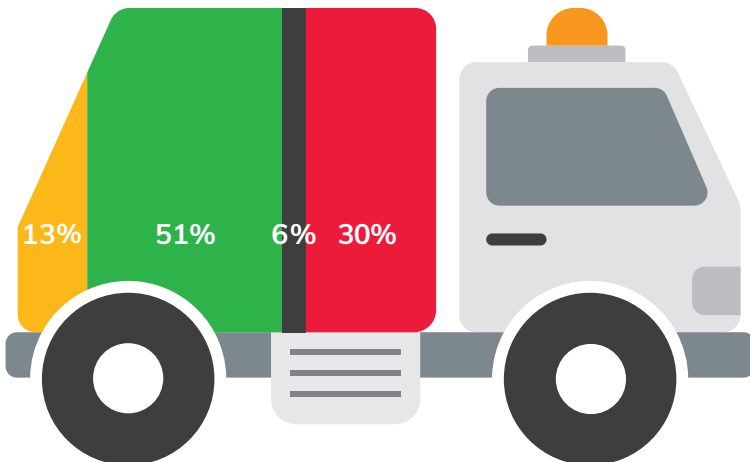
Important information



It is important to read the enclosed information as it provides updated guidelines on the correct disposal of household waste items.

Did you know?

- Just one recycling or organics bin containing unsuitable materials can be enough to contaminate an entire truck load. This may result in it all going to landfill.
- A recent audit showed that the average Onkaparinga red waste bin contains (by weight) 13% recyclables, 51% organics, 6% other (electronic resources, clothing, etc) and 30% waste.



THAT'S 70% OF RENEWABLE AND COMPOSTABLE RESOURCES WASTED!



The recycle symbol can be misleading... instead please follow the recommendations in this brochure.

Food scraps in your organics bin

ALL food scraps should be placed in the organics bin for composting. This includes fruit and vegetables, meat, seafood (including bones and shells), dairy, processed and baked goods, condiments and sauces.

Place food scraps in loose, wrapped in newspaper or in compostable bags.

For more information about which items can go in each of your bins (red, yellow and green) visit www.onkaparingacity.com/waste

You can also contact our Waste and Recycling Education Team on 8384 0666 or mail@onkaparinga.sa.gov.au

COMPOSTABLE OR NOT: LOOK FOR THE LOGO

Using compostable packaging and bags (made from plant-based renewable materials) is a great way to help divert waste from landfill. It will also reduce use of single-use plastics.

Look for the certified compostable logo on the item or wrapping – ONLY these should go in the organics bin.

Items marked as degradable, biodegradable, oxo-degradable or plant-based should not go in the organics bin - unless they are ALSO certified compostable.



IF IT GROWS, IT CAN GO IN THE ORGANICS BIN



hard plastics and packaging

plastic bottles – flatten if possible (see the recycling tip for plastic lids on the next page)



household plastics

buckets, plant pots and storage containers



HARD PLASTICS

are rigid or semi-rigid
e.g. biscuit trays,
drink bottles

plastic lids



TIP

when empty, flatten plastic bottles and containers (leaving the lids on) then pop them in your recycling bin



SOFT PLASTICS

can easily be scrunched up in your hand e.g. plastic bags, chip packets



plastic bags, plastic wrappers
and cask bladders



thermal shopping dockets



MEDICINES

DO NOT place any medications in your household bins or down the drain. Contact your local pharmacy for disposal options

foam

polystyrene, styrofoam,
food trays and containers

tablet packets



TIP

many supermarkets now offer recycling points for soft plastics

TIP

thermal dockets have a chemical coating unsuitable for recycling or composting

WASTE BIN



packaging

flatten boxes before placing them in the bin



other paper items



books



newspapers, catalogues and magazines



TIP
oily pizza boxes should go into the organics bin



envelopes



wrapping paper



RECYCLING BIN

TIP

you can put in tissues, serviettes and paper towels... or add them to your compost or bokashi system



shredded paper
loose not bagged



ORGANICS BIN

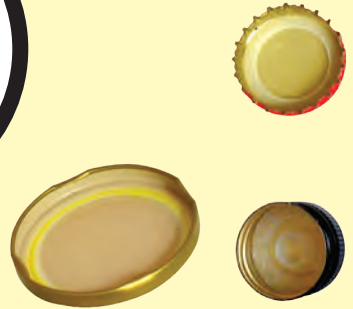
tins and cans



TIP
drink bottles,
cans and cartons
showing the 10c logo
are each worth a
10c refund at local
bottle and can
recyclers

metal lids

can go in loose



foil trays and aluminium foil



TIP
ball up clean
aluminium foil to a
large fist-sized ball
for recycling

aerosols

completely empty cans and remove lids



pots and pans



jars and bottles

must be emptied and lids removed



TIP
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RECYCLING BIN

household glassware

glass plates



pyrex



TIP
alternatively
you could
donate them
to charity



drinking glasses



WASTE BIN

unused, uneaten and leftovers



fruit and vegetables



egg shells



takeaway food



meat and bones



TIP

pizza boxes, egg cartons and coffee grounds can go in your organics bin

liquid cooking oil is hazardous waste

small volumes can be soaked into newspaper and go in the organics bin. For disposal of larger volumes phone 8384 0666.

ORGANICS BIN



Nappies

Bagged dog waste

disposable



TIP

unbagged dog waste can go in your organics bin



WASTE BIN



Garden, shed and other household items

crockery



coffee cups



toys



TIP
alternatively
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donate them
to charity

landscaping and
building materials

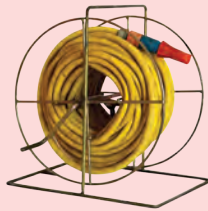


timber

clothing, footwear,
bedding and linen



PVC and irrigation piping



garden tools

clay pots



WASTE BIN



bricks



rocks and pebbles



corrugated iron



**BUILDING WASTE
CANNOT GO IN ANY OF THE BINS.**

For disposal options visit www.onkaparingacity.com or phone 8384 0666.

garden cuttings

**TIP**

fruit and vegetable scraps, shredded paper, tissues and serviettes can go in your organics bin

leaves



lawn cuttings



**lawn and garden cuttings,
twigs and branches,
cut flowers and leaves**
branches up to 15cm in diameter

FREE

**green organics drop-off
passes are available to help
you dispose of excess garden
organics.**

To order a pass, visit
www.onkaparingacity.com
or phone 8384 0666

twigs

**COMPOSTING**

is recycling too!

Why not try composting your garden and food scraps at home to make your own free fertiliser?

To find out more about our composting subsidy visit
www.onkaparingacity.com
or phone 8384 0666

NO SOIL, BRICKS, RUBBLE OR POTS

ORGANICS BIN



Garden, shed and other household items

light bulbs, globes and tubes

fluoro, LED, halogen and incandescent



chemicals and oils



liquid paint



fire extinguishers



...however dried
paint can go in your
red waste bin

**HAZARDOUS WASTE
CANNOT GO IN ANY OF THE BINS.**

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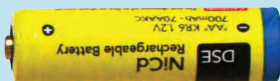
button



alkaline



NiCad



batteries (all types)



car



powertool

TIP

household
batteries can be
dropped off at
selected supermarkets
and retailers.
Check out our online
A-Z disposal guide
for locations

electrical appliances

items with a battery or plug



mobile phones



fairy lights

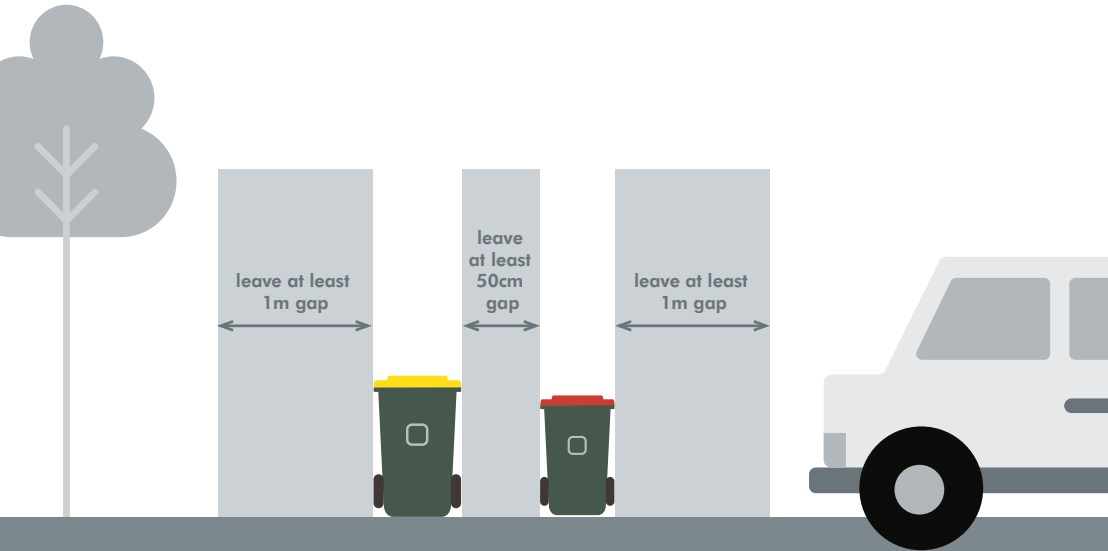


**eRESOURCES (ELECTRONIC RESOURCES)
CANNOT GO IN ANY OF THE BINS.**

For disposal options visit www.onkaparingacity.com or phone 8384 0666.

PLACING YOUR BIN

- Put your bins out before 6am – or before 5.30am when the weather forecast is over 35°C.
- Place bins at the kerb with the opening side of the bin facing the road.
- Place bins with at least 50cm between each and at least one metre from other obstacles such as trees, parked cars, letterboxes, stobie poles.
- Don't overfill your bins – bin lids must be fully closed with no items protruding.
- If your bin is excessively heavy it may not be collected:
 - waste bin (red lid) – maximum weight: 45kgs
 - recycling and green organics bins – maximum weight: 70kgs.
- Bring bins in as soon as possible after emptying (within 24 hours of collection). Leaving your bins out for prolonged periods may result in their removal.



CORRECT BIN PLACEMENT – Where practical, keep a minimum distance of 50cm between bins and 1m between bins and objects such as parked cars, letterboxes, stobie poles and overhanging trees.

QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE

Here's our household recycling and disposal guide at a glance.

Why not tear out this page and pop it on your fridge so you have the information at your fingertips?

WASTE (red lid)

PLASTIC – SOFT

bubble wrap and other soft plastics can also be dropped off at most supermarkets in their special collection bins

FOAM – polystyrene, styrofoam, food trays and containers

GLASSWARE – HOUSEHOLD

wine glasses, drinking glasses, pyrex and mirrors

CLOTHING, MATERIAL AND SHOES

consider donating or giving away – damaged items go in the waste bin

SMOKE ALARMS – this is approved by the Environmental Protection Authority (SA)

RECYCLING (yellow lid)

keep items loose – no plastic bags

PLASTIC – HARD

packaging – milk containers, biscuit trays and aerosol lids

PAPER AND CARDBOARD

GLASS – jars and bottles only

METAL – foil trays, cans and tins, aerosols, pots, pans and lids

ALUMINIUM FOIL – foil must be clean and balled up e.g. to the size of a tennis ball

ORGANICS (green lid)

keep items loose – no plastic bags

GARDEN CUTTINGS – grass, weeds and prunings (branches up to 15cm in diameter)

FOOD – fruit and vegetables, bread, rice, pasta, meat and bones, takeaway food and eggs

PAPER – shredded paper, paper towel, serviettes and tissues



THE ITEMS BELOW **DO NOT** GO IN ANY OF THE BINS

Many items are now banned from landfill and penalties may apply.

For disposal options visit www.onkaparingacity.com or phone 8384 0666.

eRESOURCES (ELECTRONIC RESOURCES)

BATTERIES – e.g. alkaline, NiCad, lithium, powertool and button
many supermarkets and retailers accept batteries for recycling

COMPUTERS AND TVs
visit www.onkaparingacity.com for FREE local drop-off locations

WHITEGOODS AND OTHER ELECTRICAL ITEMS
contact your local scrap-metal merchant

HAZARDOUS WASTE

LIGHT BULBS – fluoro, LED, halogen and incandescent

COOKING OIL – contact council for disposal of larger volumes
(small volumes can be soaked into newspaper and go in the organics bin)

MOTOR OIL – contact us for FREE drop-off locations

CHEMICALS, OILS AND PAINT

BUILDING MATERIALS

BRICKS, ROCKS, PEBBLES, CORRUGATED IRON, ETC

OTHER

TYRES

MEDICINES, SYRINGES AND SHARPS
contact your local pharmacy for disposal options – do not place these items down the drain

X-RAYS
drop off to any Red Cross store or any Dr Jones and Partners Medical Imaging office

MATTRESSES – contact us to book a mattress collection

Still not sure?

If you need more information for a specific item or if you have a question then call our Customer Relations team on 8384 0666 or check out our online A-Z disposal guide at www.onkaparingacity.com/disposalguide



THERE IS NO RUBBISH FAIRY



\$5000
FINES APPLY

**ILLEGAL DUMPING COSTS
RATEPAYERS \$300,000 A YEAR**

WWW.ONKAPARINGACITY.COM/ILLEGALDUMPING

HARD WASTE AND MATTRESS COLLECTIONS

Each household can access two free collections per financial year to dispose of items that are too large to go in the kerbside collection bins.

The two collections may consist of any combination (i.e. mattress + hard waste, mattress + mattress, or hard waste + hard waste)

Some of the items we collect

- ✓ mattresses – maximum of two per collection

- ✓ furniture

- ✓ tools

- ✓ large toys

- ✓ doors – hinges and locks removed

- ✓ rugs and mats

We are required to abide by state and federal legislation, including Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) exclusions to landfill. These restrictions are frequently updated. Visit www.onkaparingacity.com for current guidelines.

To book a hard waste or mattress collection, contact our Customer Relations team on 8384 0666.

We don't collect

- ✗ TVs, computers and other electrical items

- ✗ industrial, trade, building and demolition waste e.g. brick, rubble, tiles, concrete, plasterboard, corrugated iron, metal fencing and fibreglass

- ✗ chemicals and hazardous materials e.g. asbestos, paint, waste oil and medical waste

- ✗ car parts – including batteries and tyres

- ✗ plate glass and mirrors

- ✗ food, plants and other materials accepted in the kerbside collection bins

- ✗ metal

For disposal options for the above items refer to the Quick Reference Guide or contact our Customer Relations team on 8384 0666. Booking limits apply.

MATERIALS CAN ONLY BE PLACED ON THE KERB THE DAY BEFORE YOUR SCHEDULED COLLECTION.

OTHER WASTE AND RECYCLING SERVICES

Additional bins

For an annual fee you can get additional waste, recycling and organics bins.



Free green organics drop-off

We provide a free green organics drop-off service to assist residents to manage their extra garden waste. Residents can take their excess green organics to two drop-off locations. Contact us to register for a pass. Not available to commercial operators.



Composting at home subsidy

Composting at home is a great way to recycle garden and organic waste. We offer residents compost bins, worm farms and Bokashi buckets at a subsidised cost. We also offer free workshops so you can learn how to do it.



Education

Our waste and recycling education officers are available to provide advice, educational support or practical guidance to residents, community groups, schools and businesses. By request, an officer can visit your school or organisation.

To find out more or to access any of these services contact our Customer Relations team on 8384 0666 or visit www.onkaparingacity.com

Sustainable Onkaparinga is an initiative to promote and support environmentally sustainable living choices throughout our city.

This includes the composting-at-home subsidy plus workshops and initiatives where residents can learn more and take part in activities that make a positive contribution to our environment. We are working to create a sustainable future for ourselves and generations to come.

To learn more visit www.onkaparingacity.com/sustainable

If you need the assistance of an interpreter, please call TIS on 131 450 and ask them to contact the City of Onkaparinga Waste Administration team on (08) 8384 0666 Monday to Friday 8.30am–4.30pm.

Arabic

إذا كنت بحاجة إلى مساعدة أدد المترجمين يرجى الاتصال بخدمة الترجمة الخطية والشفهية (TIS National) على الرقم 131 450 وأن تطلب منهم الاتصال بفريق إدارة تصريف النفايات التابع لبلدية أونكاپارينكا على الرقم 8384 0666 (08) وذلك من يوم الإثنين إلى يوم الجمعة بين الساعة 8:30 صباحًا و4:30 عصرًا.

Chinese

您如果需要翻译，请拨打全国翻译服务中心 (TIS National) 电话 131 450 让他们拨打盃卡帕林加市(Onkaparinga)垃圾管理处电话(08) 8384 0666, 周一至周五，上午8.30-下午4.30。

Filipino

Kung ikaw ay nangangailangan ng tulong ng interpreter, mangyaring tawagan ang TIS sa 131 450 at makisuyo sa kanila na kontakin ang City of Onkaparinga Waste Administration team sa (08) 8384 0666 Lunes hanggang Biyernes alas-8.30 ng umaga – alas-4.30 ng hapon.

German

Falls Sie Unterstützung durch einen Dolmetscher oder eine Dolmetscherin benötigen, rufen Sie bitte unter der Telefonnummer 131 450 bei TIS National an und bitten diese, das Waste Administration Team der City of Onkaparinga unter der Rufnummer (08) 8384 0666 montags bis freitags zwischen 8.30 und 16.30 Uhr zu kontaktieren.

Greek

Εάν χρειάζεστε την βοήθεια διερμηνέως, παρακαλούμε καλέστε την Εθνική υπηρεσία διερμηνέων “TIS” στον αρ. 131 450 και ζητείστε να επικοινωνήσουν με την ομάδα διαχείρισης αχρήστων (City of Onkaparinga Waste Administration Team), στον αρ. (08) 8384 0666 Δευτέρα με Παρασκευή, από τις 8.30 π.μ. έως 4.30 μ.μ.

Italian

Se volete l'assistenza di un interprete, per favore chiamate TIS National al 131 450 e chiedete loro di mettersi in contatto con il Comune di Onkaparinga Waste Administration team al (08) 8384 0666 da lunedì a venerdì tra le 8.30am e 4.30pm.

Polish

Jeżeli potrzebna jest pomoc tłumacza proszę zadzwonić do biura tłumaczy TIS, pod numer 131 450 i poprosić o skontaktowanie się z Radą Miejską City of Onkaparinga, z wydziałem Waste Administration, telefon (08) 8384 0666, od poniedziałku do piątku w godzinach od 8.30 rano do 4.30 po południu.
