

WASTE & RECYCLING GUIDE

2023-2024 Kerbside & Verge Valet Collections

Keep me on
your fridge!

Town of Cottesloe

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Weekly colour guide:

- Yellow week** – Recycling and Food Organics Garden Organics (FOGO) bin
- Red week** – General Waste and Food Organics Garden Organics (FOGO) bin
- No collection on Xmas Day or Good Friday.** Collection will take place on 26 December and 30 March respectively.



recycleright.wa.gov.au

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH



Town of Cottesloe



Western
Metropolitan
Regional Council

Missed bin collection enquiries: please call the Town on: **9285 5000**

To report a damaged bin, or request a change to your services, complete online form: 'Changes to Residential Bin Services' at **www.cottesloe.wa.gov.au/binrepair**

Bin Collection Information



Ensure bins are placed out by 6am on collection day



Bins must weigh less than 70kg to be collected



Do not overfill your bins and ensure lids are firmly closed so items do not spill out



Place bins away from other objects with the front facing the street.

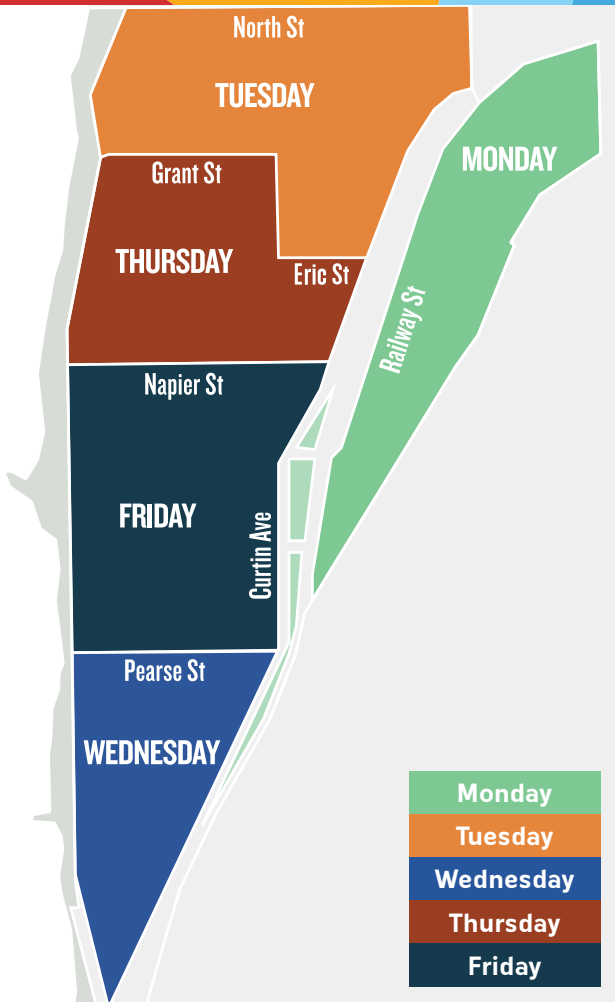
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trees

0.5m
between
bins

1m
from
cars




For missed bins, call the Town of Cottesloe 9285 5000. For general waste and recycling enquiries, contact the WMRC Recycling Hotline 9384 6711



Bin Collection Day

See the map on the left for what day of the week your bins will be collected.

FOGO bin collected weekly General waste collected fortnightly Recycling bin collected fortnightly	
RED WEEK	YELLOW WEEK
 	 

Please see front calendar for red and yellow week dates.

Some larger apartment complexes are not currently on the three-bin FOGO waste system. Your collection days and frequencies may vary. Please check with your strata management or contact the Town of Cottesloe.

BIN COLLECTION DAY & INFORMATION

Which Bin Do I Put It In?

FOGO – Collected weekly



Your **Food Organics, Garden Organics Bin** is for:

- ✓ **All food waste:** including fruit and vegetable scraps, breads, grains, cooked food, leftovers, meat, bones, dairy and seafood
- ✓ **Tea bags and coffee grounds**
- ✓ **Compostable liners**
- ✓ **Garden waste:** Lawn clippings, branches, flowers, weeds and leaves
- ✓ **Animal waste:** Kitty litter and dog poo
- ✓ **Dirty Takeaway Paper and Cardboard:** including greasy pizza boxes, paper bags and paper plates
- ✓ **Shredded paper**
- ✓ **Tissues, napkins and paper towels**
- ✓ **Wooden pop sticks and cutlery**

Green 8L compostable liners are available at major supermarkets and hardware stores.



Only use the compostable liners with these symbols in your FOGO bin as other liners do not break down in the composting process. Alternatively, line your caddy with newspaper, or put food waste in without a liner.



These items don't belong in the FOGO bin:



**NO construction
& demolition waste**



**NO general
waste**



**NO hazardous
waste**



**NO plant
pots**



**NO plastic
bags or liners**



**NO recyclables
(plastics, glass & metals)**

Some larger apartment complexes are not currently on the three-bin FOGO waste system. If you do not have a FOGO bin, please place any food or garden organic waste into your red lidded general waste bin. If your complex wishes to change to the FOGO system, please email town@cottesloe.wa.gov.au.

Recycling Bin – Collected fortnightly



Your **Recycling Bin** is for:

- ✓ Clean paper & cardboard
- ✓ Glass bottles & jars
- ✓ Plastic bottles & containers
- ✓ Steel & aluminium cans

Please ensure all recycling is clean, dry, empty with all lids removed and placed loose into the bin and not in bags

- ✗ NO recycling in bags
- ✗ NO soft plastics
- ✗ NO aerosols
- ✗ NO batteries or E-Waste
- ✗ NO broken toys, crates, buckets or coat hangers
- ✗ NO meat trays
- ✗ NO nappies
- ✗ NO textiles

General Waste Bin – Collected fortnightly



Your **General Waste Bin** is for all general rubbish items, such as:

- ✓ Ceramics
- ✓ Cigarette butts
- ✓ Coffee cups and coffee pods
- ✓ Damaged textiles (including shoes)
- ✓ Long life cartons (Tetra Pak)
- ✓ Meat trays and packaging
- ✓ Nappies, hygiene products and wipes
- ✓ Pill packets
- ✓ Plastic bottle lids
- ✓ Polystyrene packaging
- ✓ Soft plastics (bags, packets and wrappers)

- ✗ NO clean recyclables
- ✗ NO hazardous waste

Household Hazardous Waste and E-waste shouldn't be placed in any bins. Drop this waste off to the West Metro Recycling Centre free of charge.

WHICH BIN DO I PUT IT IN?

Containers for Change



Whether you're keen to earn a bit of extra cash, raise money for your local sports club or event, or donate to your favourite charity, earn 10 cents for every eligible drink container collected.

All drink containers returned through the scheme are recycled into new items such as glass bottles.

Acceptable beverage containers include most aluminium, glass, plastic, steel and liquid paperboard containers between 150ml and 3 litres. You can recycle lids from these containers too, remember to remove them first!

Local return depots:

Return-It Shenton Park

4-6 Orton Road, Shenton Park 6008

Fremantle Containers for Change

83 Knutsford St, Fremantle

For more information and other locations to return to visit:
containersforchange.com.au/wa



Remember to rinse and take the lids off!

✓ ELIGIBLE CONTAINERS



✗ INELIGIBLE CONTAINERS



Plastics

Many types of plastic packaging and plastic products cannot be recycled in your yellow-lidded recycling bin. Here is what's happening in WA (and what you can do) to address the growing problem of plastics.

Plan for Plastics

The WA State Government launched the Plan for Plastics in 2022 to introduce regulations around common single-use plastic items. Replacing single-use plastic items with disposable items made from bamboo, paper or similar materials is a great start, but the best option is to eliminate single-use altogether and choose reusables instead.

Stage 1 single-use items that have already been phased out:

- Cutlery
- Drink stirrers
- Drinking straws
- Expanded polystyrene take away food containers
- Helium balloon releases
- Plates
- Thick plastic shopping bags
- Unlidded bowls
- Unlidded cups for cold beverages
- Unlidded take away food containers

Stage 2 items:

Banned on 1 September 2023

- Loose/unmoulded polystyrene packaging
- Expanded polystyrene cups and meat/seafood trays
- Degradable plastics
- Cotton buds with plastic stems
- Microbeads

Banned on 1 March 2024

- Produce bags
- Coffee cups and lids
- Trays for takeaway food not covered in stage 1 ban

Banned on 1 September 2024

- Lids for cups, trays, bowls, plates, and takeaway food containers

Plastic Free July

You can be part of the solution to reduce plastic pollution! Plastic Free July is a global movement that provides free resources, tips, and challenges to help individuals, organisations, businesses, and schools reduce their single-use plastic use. And it was started right here in Perth by Rebecca Prince-Ruiz of the Western Metropolitan Regional Council. Get involved today at plasticfreejuly.org.



How To Be A GREAT Sort!

Sort first and treat your general waste bin as a last resort.

G = GIFT

Gift items to charity, swap or sell.

R = RECYCLE

Recycle **these 5** in your yellow lidded bin – paper, cans, cardboard, plastic and glass - rinsed, loose, lids off.



E = EARTHCYCLE Compost food scraps and garden waste. Worm Farming and Composting Factsheets available at wmrc.wa.gov.au

A = AVOID

Avoid single-use items and excess packaging. Find out how at a WMRC low-waste workshop.

T = TAKE

Take hazardous and E-waste items to drop-off points. The West Metro Recycling Centre is a registered drop off point for the Household Hazardous Waste Program.



Reuse and Repair

If it's too good to throw away, gift, swap, sell or fix it.



Buy Nothing or Gifting With Integrity	Post anything in your local Facebook community group for free
Charities	Donate clothing, bric-a-brac & furniture
Dismantle or Bicycles for Humanity	Donate bikes
FairGame	Donate sporting equipment
Garage Sale Trail	Register to hold a garage sale or host your own throughout the year
GiveWrite	Donate new/lightly used stationery
Givit	Match item to recipient
Gumtree	Sell or free-list any item
Hello Initiative or Mobile Muster	Donate mobile phones
Repair Labs/Cafés	Learn to fix broken items



Furniture Home Collection Services

If your household furniture is in good, clean condition, you can donate it to charity. See the list of pick up services:

Organisation	Phone
Anglicare Home Collection Service	6253 3535
Good Sammy Home Collection	1300 466 372
Paraquad Industries	9381 0189
People Who Care (Starting Over Support)	9379 1944
Salvation Army Home Collection Service	13 72 58
St Vincent de Paul Society	6323 7520

Want to reduce your waste?

The WMRC can help you trim your bin and live a low-waste life!

- ✓ **Do a low-waste workshop**
- ✓ **Come on a tour of the West Metro Recycling Centre**
- ✓ **Follow us on socials for the latest low-waste tips and events**
- ✓ **Download our handy low-waste factsheets**
- ✓ **Volunteer with us**
- ✓ **Subscribe to our monthly newsletter**

Find out how at
wmrc.wa.gov.au



**Western
Metropolitan
Regional Council**

REDUCE YOUR WASTE

REUSE & REPAIR

Verge Valet Collections

Verge Valet™, as easy as 1, 2, 3...

1. Book your Verge Valet™ collection online at vergevalet.com.au
2. Receive confirmation of your request from Verge Valet™.
3. Only place accepted items out 1 to 3 days before your collection date.

Leave the rest to us – easy as that.

Record your booked collection dates here:

Frequently Asked Questions

How do I book Verge Valet™?

Book online through the Verge Valet™ website: vergevalet.com.au If you're having trouble, call the Verge Valet™ and Recycling Hotline team on 93846711.

How far in advance do I need to book?

You can book up to 8 weeks in advance of your preferred collection date. Bookings can be made a minimum of 4 days before your collection. We recommend you book early to secure your preferred collection date. Collections are scheduled weekly on Monday in Cottesloe (excluding public holidays). Remember to book your collection first before placing any waste out. Waste can only be placed out 3 days before your collection.

When can I place my waste out?

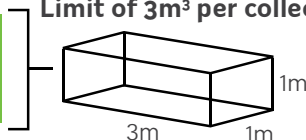
After you book and 1 to 3 days before your collection. You will receive a confirmation text message 3 days before your collection. Penalties apply to waste placed out more than 3 days prior to collection.

How many collections do I get a year?

**Up to 2
Bulk Waste
collections**

**1 Green
Waste
collection**

Limit of 3m³ per collection



**You can change any of your
bulk waste collections into
green waste if you prefer**

What won't be accepted?

Asbestos, batteries, building materials, household hazardous waste, glass panels, pesticides, paint and vehicle parts. Drop these items off at the West Metro Recycling Centre 7 days a week – some are free and some for a fee.

How can I change or cancel my booking?

You can change, cancel, or postpone your booking up to one business day before your collection date. Click **CHANGE A BOOKING** on **vergevalet.com.au** or phone WMRC on 9384 6711. Please give at least one business day's notice or you will lose your collection allocation.

What happens to the waste collected by Verge Valet™?

Neat piles of separated waste help us recycle as much as we can. We reprocess all the greenwaste and recover as much recyclable material from bulk waste as possible. Mattresses, e-waste and white goods are recycled by specialists and fridges etc. are safely de-gassed.






Verge Valet™ is intended for items that can no longer be used. Donate items that are too good to be thrown away.

I live in an apartment complex, how do I get Verge Valet™?

Apartment complexes with more than 25 units must have their Verge Valet™ collections organised through the strata manager, building manager or caretaker via a separate booking process found on the website. Collections can only be booked for the first Monday of the month. If you live in an apartment with 25 units or less, book your collection yourself at **vergevalet.com.au**.

What can I put out for a Verge Valet™ collection?

Place items in separate piles to maximise what can be recycled. Remember, limit of 3m³ per collection.

GREEN WASTE (up to 3m ³)		BULK HOUSEHOLD WASTE (up to 3m ³)			
Green Waste Garden waste, tree, branches, twigs, weeds and flowers		General Waste Household furniture, toys, plant pots, garden hoses and general junk. Please no glass panels or surfaces	E-Waste Computers, TVs, printers, small electrical goods	White Goods Scrap metal, air conditioners, fridges, freezers, dishwashers and washing machines. Please remove doors	Mattresses One mattress
					

West Metro Recycling Centre

The West Metro Recycling Centre offers safe disposal and recycling of a range of items not suitable for kerbside collection.

FOR A FEE:



Asbestos



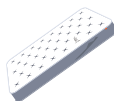
Bulk Household Waste



Construction & Demolition Waste



Greenwaste



Mattresses



Refrigerated appliances



Tyres

FOR FREE:

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW)

HHW includes unwanted household products that contain harmful chemicals, are flammable, corrosive or explosive. Limits of up to 20kg or 20L per material type will be accepted free of charge, per person, per visit.



Acids and alkalis



Aerosols and spray cans



Batteries



Engine coolants



Fire extinguishers (red only)



Flares



Gas cylinders



Household cleaners



Household light globes and fluorescent tubes



Paint



Pesticides/herbicides



Pool chemicals



Smoke detectors



Unknown chemicals



Waste motor oil



This project is supported by the Government of Western Australia and administered by the Waste Authority



B-cycle
Battery
Recycling

B-Cycle

Batteries should never go into any of your household bins. Instead, give them another life with B-Cycle, Australia's national battery recycling scheme. Many major retailers are now offering B-Cycle collection points – check **bcycle.com.au** to find a location close to you.

Free Community Recycling

As a resident of a WMRC member council you can drop off domestic quantities of the following items for free. Proof of residence required.



Batteries



Bicycles



Car batteries



Cardboard



**Clothing
& shoes**



**Cooking oil
(max 20L)**



Corks



**Domestic
recyclables**



E-Waste



**Mobile
phones**



**Plastic
beer clips**



**Plastic
bottle tops**



**Plastic
plant pots**



Polystyrene



**Pool
blankets**



**Printer
cartridges**



**Scrap
metal**



**Sports
goods**



**Stationery
- home or
office**



**Towels &
Sheets**



**Waste
motor oil
(max 20L)**



X-rays

FREE MULCH is available for Town of Cottesloe residents from the West Metro Recycling Centre. No limit on how much you can take, just bring proof of residence and be ready to load it yourself.



West Metro Recycling Centre Opening Hours

Monday – Friday: 7.30am to 4.00pm

Saturday & Sunday: 8.00am to 4.00pm

Public Holidays: 7.30am to 2.00pm

(Closed Christmas Day, Good Friday & New Year's Day)

OPEN 7 DAYS TILL 4PM

www.wmrc.wa.gov.au

Recycling Hotline: **9384 6711**



A-Z Guide and Recycle Right Information

For a more comprehensive list and to find your nearest local drop-off centres, visit recycleright.wa.gov.au, or download the free Recycle Right app from the App store or Google Play.

KEY

1	Yellow-lidded Recycling bin items
2	Lime green-lidded FOGO bin items
3	Red-lidded General Waste bin items
4	Take to drop-off centres
5	Bulk waste verge collection
6	Bulk garden organic verge collection
7	Donate to charity

If you live in an apartment or strata and don't yet have a FOGO bin, place your food waste and garden waste in the General Waste bin.



Hazardous household waste (HHW) can be dropped off at the West Metro Recycling Centre wmrc.wa.gov.au/recycling-disposal/west-metro-recycling-centre/

A

4	Acids (HHW)
4	Aerosol cans (HHW)
1	Aluminium cans
1	Aluminium foil (clean)
2	Animal droppings
4	Asbestos

B

3	Band aids
4	Batteries (HHW)
7	Blankets
3	Blister packs
7	Books
2	Bones & shells
3	Bread bags (plastic)
4	Bricks & pavers (C&D)
1	Broken glass
5	Bulky items

2	Flowers
1	Food cans (rinsed)
2	Food & vegetable scraps
5	Furniture (broken)
7	Furniture (fixed)

G

2	Garden organics (small prunings & plants)
6	Garden organics (large)
4	Gas cylinders (HHW)
1	Glass bottles and jars (rinsed)

H

2	Hair (animal & human)
3	Hose (short lengths)

I

1	Ice cream containers (cardboard & plastic)
4	Insecticides (HHW)

2	Peels (citrus & fruit)
3	Pens/Biros/Textas
4	Petrol & flammable liquids (HHW)
1	Pizza boxes (clean)
2	Pizza boxes (soiled/oily)
3	Plastic bags
3	Plastic bottle lids
1	Plastic bottles & containers
4	Poison (liquid/solid) (HHW)
3	Polystyrene
3	Potato chip packets
4	Printer cartridges

R

3	Razors (disposable)
3	Rope (short lengths)

S

3	Sanitary products
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C

- 1** Cardboard (boxes & other types)
- 2** Cardboard (soiled)
- 4** Car parts
- 3** Ceramics
- 4** Cleaning products (HHW)
- 3** Cling wrap
- 3** Clothing/shoes (damaged)
- 7** Clothing/shoes (good condition)
- 3** Coffee cups
- 2** Coffee grounds
- 3/4** Coffee pods
- 4** Computer components/accessories
- 2** Cooking fat
- 2** Compostable liners
- 4** Concrete (C&D)
- 3** Cotton wool & buds
- 3** Cutlery (plastic)
- 2** Cutlery (wood/bamboo)

D

- 2** Dairy products
- 4** Dirt & soil (C&D)

E

- 1** Egg cartons
- 4/5** Electrical appliances
- 1** Envelopes

F

- 4** Fertiliser (HHW)

K

- 2** Kitty litter

L

- 2** Lawn clippings
- 4** Light bulbs/fluorescent tubes (HHW)
- 3** Lolly bags & wrappers
- 3** Long-life cartons

M

- 1** Magazines
- 4/5** Mattresses
- 3** Meat trays (all)
- 4** Medicines
- 1** Metal lids
- 1** Milk bottles & cartons (not silver lined)
- 4** Mobile Phones
- 4** Motor oil

N

- 3** Nappies (disposable)
- 4** Needles & sharps – visit safesharps.org for needle exchange program or check with your chemist
- 1** Newspapers (clean)
- 2** Newspapers (soiled)

P

- 4** Paint tins (empty or full)
- 4** Paint (HHW)
- 1** Paper (not shredded)
- 2** Paper (shredded)
- 1** Paper bags
- 2** Paper towels & napkins
- 1** Paper towel rolls (inner)

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- Seafood

3

- Soft plastics

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- Steel cans (rinsed)

3

- Straws

T

- 2** Take-away food containers (clean & empty)
- 1** Tea bags
- 4** Timber – treated
- 2** Tissues
- 3** Toothbrushes
- 3** Toothpaste tubes
- 3** Toys (broken)
- 4** Toys (fixed)
- 4** Tyres

V

- 3** Vacuum cleaner dust
- 5** Video tapes

W

- 2** Weeds
- 5** Whitegoods
- 2** Wood (garden pruning)

X

- 4** X-rays

Y

- 1** Yoghurt containers (empty/rinsed)

(HHW) = Hazardous Household Waste
(C&D) = Construction & Demolition

Please remove the magnets before placing this calendar into your recycling bin.

Magnets can be reused or should be disposed of by placing into your general waste bin.



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Telephone: 9285 5000

Email: town@cottesloe.wa.gov.au

Online: www.cottesloe.wa.gov.au



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Verge Valet™: vergevalet.com.au

Verge Valet & Recycling Hotline: 9384 6711

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Email: info@recycleright.wa.gov.au