

2024 Waste Sorting Guide

For more information, please visit www.westhants.ca/waste-and-recycling.html

**Recycling Stream #1:
Containers**

- All plastic containers (i.e. food & drink containers, cake & cookie trays, detergent jugs, shampoo bottles, cleaning fluid bottles, windshield washer containers, etc.)
- All plastic bags
- Milk & Juice containers (caps removed)
- Glass bottles & jars
- Metal drink & food cans
- Tin/Aluminum/Steel Foil & plates
- Plastic cup lids

Important Collection Details:

- Items must be clean & dry
- Place into clear or clear blue bags
- NO Styrofoam®, paper material, plastic cutlery, disposable cups, or broken glass is permitted in this Recycling stream.



**Recycling Stream #2:
Paper**



- Boxboard (i.e. cereal, cracker & frozen pizza boxes)
- Paper (whole & shredded)
- Paper egg cartons & coffee trays
- Newsprint & flyers
- Catalogues, magazines, paper coupons
- Phone books & books (hard covers removed)
- Envelopes (including those with plastic windows)
- Birthday & holiday cards (remove non-paper decals)
- Cardboard tubes (i.e. empty toilet paper or paper towel rolls)
- Paper sleeves from hot drinks

Important Collection Details:

- Paper must be clean & dry for recycling, whereas soiled/dirty paper can be composted
- Place materials into clear or clear blue bags
- NO plastic, metal, glass, or disposable cups
- Cardboard boxes must be flattened & securely tied into bundles



Garbage

- Mixed materials that cannot be separated
- Styrofoam®
- Pet waste (feces, litter, waste bags)
- Coffee cups
- Diapers, wet wipes & sanitary products
- Chip bags & candy wrappers
- Broken glass (safely wrapped, labelled & placed next to clear bag)
- Clothing & textiles
- Plastic mesh bags
- Floor sweepings
- Ashes (cold)
- Dirty aluminum foil (recycle if it can be rinsed clean!)
- Small appliances (i.e. vacuum, coffee maker, lamp, etc.)
- Furniture → furniture and rolled carpet are two examples of "bulky items" - See "Curbside Guidelines" page for more details
- Rolled carpet

Important Collection Details:

- Place waste into clear bags - black bags are restricted in WHRM
- Items made of 70% METAL or more can be collected during the special collection event in June - see schedule and curbside guidelines

Organics

- ALL food waste
- Cooking oil & fat
- Tea bags, coffee filters
- Paper towel, napkins & tissues
- Wrapping paper & tissue paper
- Paper food bags (Flour, sugar, potato bags)
- Paper takeout materials (fast food bags, paper boxes, waxy wrappers)
- Any soiled (wet or greasy) paper
- Yard waste (leaves, brush, sawdust & small branches)

Important Collection Details:

- NO biodegradable or compostable plastics of any kind, INCLUDING bio-plastic compost liners and coffee pods
- NO milk cartons, disposable coffee cups, ashes, rocks, or large quantities of dirt
- See "curbside guidelines" (page 6/7) for proper disposal of brush and other yard waste

Curbside Collection

X Materials NOT Collected Curbside

- Paint and paint cans: take to any ENVIRO-Depot. Visit regeneration.ca for drop off sites near you!
- Batteries: Take to battery drop off at the Municipal Office, 76 Morison Drive, or the HHW Depot at the West Hants landfill
- Medications & Syringes (sharps): Contact your local pharmacy for free Safe Sharps containers & drug return programs
- Electronics: Take to the local Electronics Recycling Center at New Boundaries, 79 Centennial Drive, Windsor

Not sure where something belongs? Search an item in our Waste App, R6RECYCLES: www.westhants.ca/waste-app.html

See below for a summary of FREE disposal programs and drop off locations in WHRM

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- Motor oil, antifreeze, oil filters, oil & antifreeze containers. Visit www.ns.uoma-atlantic.com/en/collection-facilities and enter your postal code to find a collection partner near you!
- Fridges, freezers, water coolers & air conditioners: These contain CFCs (freon) that must be properly removed by a professional. Bring to the HHW Depot at the West Hants landfill
- Household Hazardous Waste (HHW): Bring items with the above hazard symbols to the HHW Depot at the West Hants Landfill

West Hants Landfill: 1569 Walton Woods Road, Cognagnan
Phone: (902)757.2308)

Waste App

A hand holding a smartphone displaying the Waste App interface. The screen shows categories like 'Recycling', 'Household Hazardous Waste', and 'Electronics'. A search bar at the top has the text 'Search for an item or location'.