



# Home Recycling Advice



**Waste Operations Department**

**Opening Hours:** Monday - Friday, 9am to 5pm  
**T:** 0300 124 5000 (Option 0)

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



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# What goes into your blue bin?



## Items we can't collect

- ✗ Nappies
- ✗ Plastic bags
- ✗ Pyrex items

## Please note

- Make sure all items for recycling are clean and don't contain any food or drink residue
- Leave bins out for 7am on your collection day
- All bins must have closed lids and no additional side waste
- Collection times may vary in the holiday period and in exceptional circumstances



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# What goes into your brown bin?

You can put food, recyclable household and garden waste in your brown bin.

Each household will get three rolls of food waste bags throughout the year, if you need any more please contact the office using the details on the back.



## Accepted

- ✓ Food waste
- ✓ Meat and fish, raw and cooked, including bones
- ✓ Fruit and vegetables – peelings, raw and cooked
- ✓ All dairy products – including cheese and yoghurt
- ✓ Eggshells
- ✓ Breads, cakes and pastries
- ✓ Rice, pasta and beans
- ✓ Uneaten food from your plate
- ✓ Tea bags and coffee grounds
- ✓ Mouldy food
- ✓ Ready meals
- ✓ Household and garden waste
- ✓ Cold ash
- ✓ Kitchen roll
- ✓ Tissue paper
- ✓ Takeaway pizza boxes, please crush
- ✓ Grass cuttings
- ✓ Shredded paper
- ✓ Sawdust
- ✓ Tree and hedge prunings
- ✓ Garden plants and weeds
- ✓ Leaves, twigs and bark
- ✓ Flowers

## Not accepted

- ✗ All packaging, with the exception of crushed takeaway pizza boxes
- ✗ Packaging from ready meals
- ✗ Plastic bags
- ✗ Soil, rubble and stones
- ✗ Pet waste
- ✗ Cardboard



### Good to know

Only use compostable food waste bags or newspaper to line your food caddy, before disposing in your brown bin.



**Waste Services are available via our Council website**  
**[www.midandeantrim.gov.uk/recycling](http://www.midandeantrim.gov.uk/recycling)**

- Bulky Lifts Requests (an assessment is undertaken)
- Bring Centres
- Household Recycling Centres
- Recycling Bins and Boxes
- Bin Collection Dates & Calendar
- Bin Presentation
- Assisted Lifts (collection and return of bin)
- Missed Collections (black/brown/blue bin)
- Broken or damaged bins
- Bin Capacity Requests
- Food Waste Collections (brown bin/caddies/liners)
- Ordering new bins/boxes
- Requesting help with your bin collection
- Bin-ovation app
- Reporting on litter and street cleansing
- Public convenience information

**If you need more help, please contact the waste help desk on 0300 124 5000 (Option 0) or <https://council.direct/>**

**For any financial queries, such as buying of black bin and extra compostable bags (£1.30 for a roll of 50 bags) please contact:**



**Ballymena** - Ardeevin Council Buildings (Mon-Fri)

**T:** 0300 124 5000 (Option 0)

Extra compostable bags can be purchased at the following council facilities: 'Ardeevin' Council Buildings



**Carrickfergus** - Carrickfergus Town Hall (Wed-Fri)

**T:** 0300 124 5000 (Option 0)

Extra compostable bags can be purchased at the following council facilities: Carrickfergus Town Hall, Cash Desk



**Larne**

**T:** 0300 124 5000 (Option 0)

Extra compostable bags can be purchased at the following council facilities: Smiley Buildings, Victoria Road (Mon-Fri) / Tourist Information Centre at the Book Nook



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