

What may be left at curbside on collection day

Green Tote/Curbside Organic Waste

The green wheeled tote is used for curbside organic waste, which includes:

- fruit and vegetable scraps
- food left-overs and dinner plate scrapings
- meat, fish, giblets, bones and eggshells
- dairy products, butter and mayonnaise
- bread, cereal, grains, pasta, pizza and baked goods
- candies
- soiled paper towels, soiled paper food packaging and ice cream cartons
- used paper cups and paper plates
- coffee grounds and tea bags
- solidified fat and grease
- baking ingredients, herbs and spices
- house plants, cut and dried flowers
- nuts and shells
- grass clippings, leaves, pruning, plants and branches

Please note, compostable bags are not required for organic waste.

Kitchen waste does not include:

- plastic bags, plastic wrap, Styrofoam, foil wrap, foil pouches or foil pie plates
- metal cans and glass jars
- cereal and cracker box liners
- chip and cookie bags
- pet food bags and other lined bags
- butter wrappers
- dental floss
- rubber bands
- soiled diapers, baby wipes, sanitary hygiene products and condoms
- dryer lint and anti-static dryer sheets
- cigarettes and cigarette butts
- vacuum cleaner contents and bags
- pet feces, other feces, and pet litter box material

Blue Tote/Mixed Waste Paper:

The blue wheeled tote contents may include paper, junk mail, newspapers, cereal boxes, and magazines. **DO NOT** include cardboard, soiled or foiled papers. Mixed waste paper will only be picked up at curbside if contained in a blue wheeled tote.

Blue Box/Metal, Plastic and Paper Containers:

(Check the CRD Blue-Box Webpage for current complete listing of acceptable materials: <https://www.crd.bc.ca/service/waste-recycling/recycle/blue-box-program>)

- Rigid plastic packaging from consumer goods (e.g. electronics, tools), food (e.g. salads, baked goods)
- Rigid plastic containers, including milk jugs, yogurt and margarine containers, shampoo/liquid soap bottles, cleaning product containers, pill/vitamin bottles, clean plant pots.
- Plastic and metal lids
- Aluminum and tin cans
- Foil and foil plates (no food residue)
- Paper packaging containing liquids when sold (e.g. paper take-out cups and milk cartons)
- **NO** plastic bags or Styrofoam
- **NO** containers used for pesticides, herbicides, paint, solvent, fuel, motor oil, lubricants, caustic cleaning products or any hazardous materials

Glass Bottles and Jars:

Glass bottles and jars must be kept separate from your other containers. An old plastic tub or pail can be used to contain your clean glass containers. Cardboard boxes and paper bags are NOT suitable receptacles for your glass containers.





Corrugated Cardboard:

Should be flattened and cut or folded to dimensions not greater than 18 inches x 36 inches. Bundles of cardboard should be tied together with twine or string (not tape or wire). Please place bundled cardboard at the curb beside the blue box.

Grey Tote/Household Garbage:

This includes all items that cannot be recycled or composted in other totes or boxes, except items that are banned from the CRD Hartland landfill. For more detailed information please visit their website: <https://www.crd.bc.ca/service/waste-recycling/hartland-landfill-facility/public-drop-off-area>

Refer to the Curbside Garbage/Recycle Schedule for collection dates

All residential households that have garbage, kitchen waste/curbside organics and recyclables picked up by the Municipality must bring the totes and blue boxes to the curbside on collection day by 7:30 am. All residents receiving curbside service must have specially designed wheeled totes that are sold by Oak Bay Public Works.

Specially designed wheeled totes

All residential households that have garbage, kitchen waste/curbside organics and recyclables picked up by the Municipality must have specially designed wheeled totes that are sold by Oak Bay Public Works. Totes can be purchased from the Public Works Yard, 1771 Elgin Road, over the telephone at 250-598-4501 Monday to Friday, from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm, and on Saturday from 8:00 am to 3:00pm, excluding holidays.

Place the totes and boxes at curbside for collection on the day of the scheduled pickup

Garbage, kitchen waste, recycling totes and boxes must be placed at the curbside before 7:30 am on the scheduled collection day. All containers must be placed on the driveway of the property, near the curb, without obstructing pedestrian traffic. If a householder has medical exemption, totes will be collected from a mutually agreed upon location.

Make sure it really is garbage!

Do not place items that are banned from the Hartland landfill in the grey garbage tote. These banned items will not be collected. Information on hazardous or banned material can be found on the Hazardous Material page: <https://www.oakbay.ca/municipal-services/garbage-recycling/hazardous-materials>

My garbage or recycling wasn't picked up on my regular collection day. Whom should I call?

For household garbage (grey tote) please call the Public Works Yard at 250-598-4501. The Yard is open Monday to Friday, from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm, and Saturday from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm, excluding holidays. For all kitchen waste/curbside organics, call GFL Environmental at 250-474-5145. For all recycling collection please call the Capital Regional District collection contractor Emterra at 250-385-4399.

I have more than one container of garbage. What do I do?

Residential property owners may take one garbage tote to the curbside (140 litres in size). For an extra fee, up to two (2) additional containers (72 litres each) may be collected per collection day with appropriate number of garbage tickets attached. 1st can = 2 tickets, 2nd can = 3 tickets or (5 tickets in total). Extra tickets may be purchased at the Oak Bay Recreation Centre front counter or at the Oak Bay Municipal Hall, at a cost of \$0.75 each.

Can I put dog waste in the garbage?

Yes, however it must be tightly wrapped in a biodegradable bag.

Are there any special pickups during the year?

The Municipality provides an annual curbside garden refuse pickup and leaf collection service. For more information about this service, please view Garden Waste and Leaf Collection: <https://www.oakbay.ca/municipal-services/garbage-recycling/garden-waste-leaf-collection>

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