Recycling guide (green bin) www.wyreforestdc.gov.uk/recyclingguide

Keep your recycling loose. Please do not put plastic bags or bin liners in your green bin.

Make sure your recycling is clean - you can rinse it in your used dish water when you've finished washing up, just make sure all the left over food/liquid has been rinsed out.

| **YES you can recycle** | **NO you cannot recycle** | **Please remember** |
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| * Food tins * Drink cans * Aerosol cans * Sweet/Biscuit tins * Metal jar lids | * No foil trays - these can be recycled at foil banks/tips * No tin foil - this can be recycled at foil banks/tips * No foil pouches or coffee pods * No gas bottles | * Food and drink cans only * Rinse tins and cans * Push sharp tops inside tins - sharp lids can cause injuries to collection crew and sorters * Labels can be left on * No need to squash tins - the machines at the sorting plant identify tins better when they are in their original shape |
| * Glass bottles (all colours) * Glass jars (all colours) | * No glass dishes (Pyrex) or drinking glasses * No window panes * No corks * No nail varnish bottles * No pump tops | * Rinse bottles and jars * Lids can be left on (pump tops must be removed and put in rubbish bin) * Labels can be left on * All colour glass accepted |
| All plastic bottles including:   * drinks bottles * milk/juice bottles * detergent/fabric softener bottles * cleaning/bleach bottles * toiletry bottles   Plastic containers including:   * yogurt pots * margarine/ice cream tubs * fruit/vegetable punnets * plastic meat/fish trays * cream/custard pots * cake/pastry trays * soup/sauce pots * egg boxes * sweet tubs * plastic takeaway tubs * plastic boxes i.e. Tupperware * moulded liners for chocolates/biscuits provided not black * plant pots; provided not black | * No black plastic - it can't be recognised by the machinery at the sorting plant and is the lowest grade already so there is no demand to recycle it (brown plastic is acceptable) * No black plant pots * No blister packs * No bubble wrap * No pumps, trigger sprays, film or foil * No motor oil bottles - please dispose of these at your local household recycling centre (tip) * No crisp packets or plastic bags/wrapping - bags can be recycled through supermarket plastic bags recycling facilities * No hard plastics (toys, garden containers, bins, water butts and so on) * No other items made of plastic - it's currently not possible to recycle any other plastic items, for example, toys, through your kerbside collection (even if an item has a recycling symbol on it it does not mean it can be recycled in Wyre Forest; different areas have different facilities for recycling). If items are in good condition you may like to consider a reuse organisation or charity shop | * Plastic lids can be left on * Rinse bottles and containers * Labels can be left on * No need to squash - the machines at the sorting plant identify bottles and containers better when they are in their original shape |
| * Newspapers/magazines * Phone directories * Catalogues/brochures * Junk mail/leaflets * Letters * Greetings cards * Envelopes * Plain, non metallic wrapping paper * Paperback books * Inside of hardback books | * No metallic or glittery wrapping paper * No paper that has used for crafts etc, i.e. has paint, glitter, glue or similar on it * No wallpaper * Hardback book cover | * Remove any plastic wrappings - Bags (including cereal bags, bread bags, fruit and veg bags) can be recycled through supermarket plastic bags recycling facilities. * Keep paper flat (don't scrunch into balls) - the sorting machine separates paper better when flat * Shredded paper can be recycled as long as it is contained in a paper bag/envelope or cardboard box |
| All cartons e.g.:   * milk/juice/smoothie cartons * fabric conditioner cartons * soup/chopped tomatoes cartons * custard cartons |  | * Rinse cartons * Plastic spouts can be left on * Please squash cartons |
| * Thin cardboard boxes e.g.:   cereal boxes  ready meal boxes   * Cardboard sleeves * Corrugated/thick cardboard boxes * Egg boxes * Kitchen/toilet roll tubes * Cardboard packing * Pet food boxes | * No heavily soiled boxes * No contaminated packaging (for example food waste in pizza boxes) | * Flatten boxes and tubes - the sorting machine separates cardboard better when flat * Please reduce boxes to wheelie-bin size pieces not exceeding 50cm x 60cm * Remove inner packaging   + please put any recyclable plastic containers in separately   + bags (including cereal bags, bread bags, fruit and veg bags) can be recycled through supermarket plastic bags recycling facilities |

# Please remember:

* **No textiles in your green bin** - you can recycle at your local household waste site (tip) or at re-use organisations, charity shops and recycling sites where it can be donated for re-use/recycling
* **No plastic bags in your green bin** - anything contained within a plastic bag will be rejected at the recycling sorting plant to landfill. Our crews will not empty green or brown bins that contain bagged waste or waste that is not recyclable
* Bags (including cereal bags, bread bags, fruit and veg bags) can be recycled through supermarket plastic bags recycling facilities
* **No car batteries or other batteries** - these can be recycled at your local household waste site (tip) or other smaller batteries can be taken to 'battery tubes/tubs' located in many shops and public buildings around Wyre Forest
* **No gas canisters**
* **No engines parts**
* **No tires**
* If it's too big for the bin please don't leave it next to the bin for collection, if it won't fit in the bin it probably won't go through the sorting machines please take it to the tip or use our bulky waste collection service
* More information on reducing, reusing and recycling can be found on [www.letswasteless.com](http://www.letswasteless.com)