

Your guide to Recycling Right

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A full
comprehensive
list of what you
can and cannot
recycle

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Introduction



The Household Recycling Service

All householders in the Borough are provided with a brown lidded bin for recyclable materials.

Your recycling is collected fortnightly – **you can download your collection calendar from the councils website.**

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Recycling Right

- We understand that recycling can sometimes seem confusing, and so this clear and handy guide has been created to help make recycling as easy as possible.
- Materials have been categorised for ease of use.
- Please keep this guide handy so if you are unsure, it can be referred to at any time.
- It's important the correct materials are put out for recycling.
- We collect your recycling in your brown lid bin.
- All your recyclable materials are taken to a material recycling facility (MRF) The MRF receives co-mingled recycling collected from homes and uses a combination of specialist waste separation equipment and the latest AI technology to separate the materials into single material streams.
- If unrecyclable materials are put out for recycling, this can contaminate a lot of other recycling materials during the process; leading to lower overall recycling, using additional energy during the process and creating additional costs.

It's in everyone's best interests that we recycle as much as we can and recycle the right things!

BROWN LID BIN

PAPER - YES



Paper/Newspapers

ACCEPTED:

This can be placed
into your
**BROWN LID
BIN**



Envelopes

ACCEPTED:

This can be placed
into your
**BROWN LID
BIN**



Magazines and
catalogues

ACCEPTED:

This can be placed
into your
**BROWN LID
BIN**



Junk mail

ACCEPTED:

This can be placed
into your
**BROWN LID
BIN**



CARD - YES



Phone books

ACCEPTED:

This can be placed
into your
**BROWN LID
BIN**



Brown paper and tubes

ACCEPTED:

This can be placed
into your
**BROWN LID
BIN**



Egg boxes

ACCEPTED:

This can be placed
into your
**BROWN LID
BIN**



Cardboard (inc corrugated)
without plastic contaminants

ACCEPTED:

This can be placed
into your **BROWN LID BIN**
**without plastic
contaminants**



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CARD - YES



Takeaway Pizza Boxes

ACCEPTED:
(if all food residue
removed)
This can be placed
into your
**BROWN LID
BIN**



PAPER - NO



Hygiene/sanitary
products (nappies, wipes)

NOT ACCEPTED



Tissues

NOT ACCEPTED



Used paper towels

NOT ACCEPTED



PAPER - NO



Foil, glittery gift wrap
and cards

NOT ACCEPTED



CARD - NO



Takeaway cups, trays
and boxes

NOT ACCEPTED



Wallpaper and
decoration paper

NOT ACCEPTED



Paperback books and
Greetings Cards

NOT ACCEPTED



BROWN LID BIN

METALS & AEROSOLS - YES



Food tins / drink cans

ACCEPTED: (if rinsed)
This can be placed
into your
BROWN LID
BIN



Metal food tubes
(tomato puree)

ACCEPTED:
(fully empty)
This can be placed
into your
BROWN LID
BIN



Jar lids

ACCEPTED:
(metal only)
This can be placed
into your
BROWN LID
BIN



Spirty cream

ACCEPTED:
This can be placed
into your
BROWN LID
BIN



METALS & AEROSOLS - YES



Deodorant

ACCEPTED:
This can be placed
into your
BROWN LID
BIN



Hair spray/mousse
bottles

ACCEPTED:
This can be placed
into your
BROWN LID
BIN



Cleaning products (i.e.
polish) and air fresheners

ACCEPTED:
(fully dispensed)
This can be placed
into your
BROWN LID
BIN



Aluminium foil, trays, tins
and dishes

ACCEPTED: (if rinsed)
This can be placed
into your
BROWN LID
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METALS & AEROSOLS - NO



Metal containers for
chemicals (paint, white
spirits, engine oils)

NOT ACCEPTED



METALS & AEROSOLS - NO



General kitchen ware (i.e.
cutlery, pots and pans)

NOT ACCEPTED



Aerosol paints

NOT ACCEPTED



All plastic bottles except
black – drinks and water
bottles

ACCEPTED: (if rinsed)

This can be placed
into your
BROWN LID
BIN



Laminated foil
(pet food pouches)

NOT ACCEPTED



PLASTICS - YES



Milk bottles

ACCEPTED:

This can be placed
into your
BROWN LID
BIN



Kettles, irons, pipes,
white goods
(please take to Judkins)

NOT ACCEPTED



Detergent and soap
bottles, household
cleaning bottles

ACCEPTED: (if rinsed)

This can be placed
into your
BROWN LID
BIN



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PLASTICS - YES



Skin care bottles

ACCEPTED: (if rinsed)
This can be placed
into your
BROWN LID BIN



Shampoo and shower gel
bottles

ACCEPTED: (if rinsed)
This can be placed
into your
BROWN LID BIN



Ready-to-use plant food
and pesticide bottles

ACCEPTED: (if rinsed)
This can be placed
into your
BROWN LID BIN



Toothpaste tubes

ACCEPTED: (if rinsed)
This can be placed
into your
BROWN LID BIN



PLASTICS - YES



Roll-on deodorant bottles

ACCEPTED:
This can be placed
into your
BROWN LID BIN



Pots (yoghurt, soup, etc.)

ACCEPTED: (if rinsed)
This can be placed
into your
BROWN LID BIN



Tubs (margarine, ice
cream etc.)

ACCEPTED: (if rinsed)
This can be placed
into your
BROWN LID BIN



Food trays, long trays,
sandwich box, egg boxes

ACCEPTED:
This can be placed
into your
BROWN LID BIN



POTS, TUBS AND TRAYS - YES

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POTS, TUBS AND TRAYS - YES



Fruit / Mushroom punnets

ACCEPTED:
This can be placed
into your
BROWN LID BIN



Chocolate, sweet and
biscuit tubs and trays

ACCEPTED:
This can be placed
into your
BROWN LID BIN



Plant pots

ACCEPTED:
This can be placed
into your
BROWN LID BIN



Microwavable tubs and
trays (take-away and
tupperware)

ACCEPTED:
This can be placed
into your
BROWN LID BIN



POTS, TUBS AND TRAYS - NO



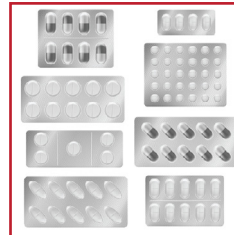
Laminated pouches

NOT ACCEPTED



Paint pots

NOT ACCEPTED



Medicine/tablet packs

NOT ACCEPTED



Polystyrene

NOT ACCEPTED



BROWN LID BIN

BAGS AND FILM - YES



Food/drink pouches and
crisp packets

ACCEPTED:

This can be placed
into your
**BROWN LID
BIN**



HARD PLASTIC - NO



Coat hangers

NOT ACCEPTED



HARD PLASTICS - NO



Plastic toys

NOT ACCEPTED



Garden furniture

NOT ACCEPTED



Remote controls

NOT ACCEPTED



CD/DVD cases

NOT ACCEPTED



Toilet seats

NOT ACCEPTED



BAGS AND FILM - NO



Black bags

NOT ACCEPTED



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GLASS - YES



Drinks/oil bottles

ACCEPTED: (if rinsed)
This can be placed
into your
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Food, drink and
condiment jars

ACCEPTED: (if rinsed)
This can be placed
into your
BROWN LID BIN



Glass cosmetic containers

ACCEPTED: (if rinsed)
This can be placed
into your
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Perfume, aftershave and
face cream bottles

ACCEPTED:
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into your
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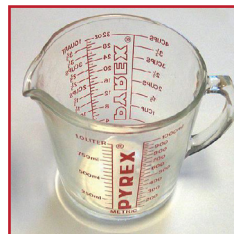


GLASS - NO



Drinking glasses

NOT ACCEPTED



Glass cookware/pyrex

NOT ACCEPTED



Vases and ceramics

NOT ACCEPTED



Nail varnish bottles

NOT ACCEPTED



BROWN LID BIN

GLASS - NO



Light bulbs and tubes

NOT ACCEPTED



TETRAPAK - YES



Frozen yoghurt/lolly tetrapak

ACCEPTED:

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into your
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TETRAPAK - YES



Mirrors

NOT ACCEPTED



TETRAPAK - NO

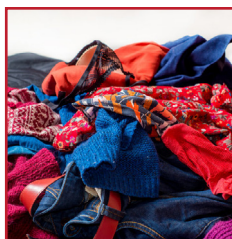


Crisp cans

NOT ACCEPTED



TEXTILES - NO



Textiles

NOT ACCEPTED



Milk and juice containers

ACCEPTED:

This can be placed
into your
BROWN LID BIN



Sauce cartons

ACCEPTED: (if rinsed)

This can be placed
into your
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Find out where to recycle textiles at -
www.recyclenow.com/recycling-locator



Frequently asked questions

Do things have to be rinsed before recycling?

Yes, please rinse your recycling. Food waste or liquids contaminate the materials and makes the recycling process harder.

What if all my recycling will not fit into my brown-lid bin?

Additional cardboard must be small enough to fit inside an empty brown-lid bin with the lid closed to enable the crews to place it in the emptied bin and load onto the vehicle.

When is my collection day?

Your collection calendar can be found at www.nuneatonandbedworth.gov.uk or contact the Recycling Hotline on **024 7637 6170**.

Can I have an additional recycling bin?

For more information about extra bins contact **024 7637 6170**.

For more information on assisted collections, Bulky Collection Service, Clinical Waste Collections, community litter picks, the Environment Team and the Recycling team can be found at www.nuneatonandbedworth.gov.uk

How do I dispose of old vapes/ lithium batteries?

Never put vapes, batteries or electricals in any of your kerbside bins. Any store that sells vapes or batteries should offer an in-store recycling container.

Alternatively, these can be recycled at Judkins HWRC

For information on home composting visit -

www.warwickshire.gov.uk/composting