

# Your guide to Recycling Right



A full  
comprehensive  
list of what you  
can and cannot  
recycle

 Nuneaton and  
Bedworth recycles

## 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.

[www.nuneatonandbedworth.gov.uk](http://www.nuneatonandbedworth.gov.uk)

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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 mechanical and technical equipment to separate the recyclable 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!*

### Note!

Completely black plastic of any kind cannot be recycled – this is due to its inability to be sorted at processing centres and is therefore treated as contamination.

PAPER - YES



## Paper/ Newspapers

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



PAPER - YES



## Phone Books

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



CARD - YES



## Envelopes

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



## Brown paper and tubes

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



## Magazines and catalogues

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



## Egg Boxes

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



## Junk Mail

**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**



PAPER - NO



Tissues

NOT ACCEPTED:



Foil and glittery gift wrap  
and cards

NOT ACCEPTED:



Wallpaper and  
decoration paper

NOT ACCEPTED:



Hygiene/sanitary products  
(nappies, wipes)

NOT ACCEPTED:



PAPER - NO



Used paper towels

NOT ACCEPTED:



CARD - NO



Takeaway Pizza Boxes

NOT ACCEPTED:



Takeaway cups, trays  
and boxes

NOT ACCEPTED:



Paperback books, Greetings  
Cards

NOT ACCEPTED:



MTEALS & 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**



**Lids off Jars**  
**ACCEPTED: (metal only)**  
This can be placed into your **BROWN LID BIN**



**Squirty cream**  
**ACCEPTED:**  
This can be placed into your **BROWN LID BIN**



MTEALS & 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 BIN**



MTEALS & AEROSOLS - NO



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

NOT ACCEPTED



Aerosol paints  
NOT ACCEPTED



Laminated foil  
(cat food pouches)

NOT ACCEPTED



Crisp packets and sweet wrappers

NOT ACCEPTED



MTEALS & AEROSOLS - NO



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

NOT ACCEPTED



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

NOT ACCEPTED



PLASTICS - YES



All plastic bottles except black – drinks and water bottles

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



Milk bottles

ACCEPTED:  
This can be placed into your BROWN LID BIN



PLASTICS - YES



Detergent and soap bottles,  
household cleaning bottles

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



PLASTICS - YES



CD/DVD cases

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



Skin care bottles

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



POTS, TUBS AND TRAYS - YES



Pots (yoghurt, soup, etc.)

**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**



Tubs  
(margarine, ice cream etc.)

**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**



Food trays  
long trays, sandwich box,  
egg boxes

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



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**



Non-black plant pots

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



POTS, TUBS ETC - NO



Medicine/tablet packs

**NOT ACCEPTED**



POTS, TUBS AND TRAYS - NO



Film lids from pots or trays

**NOT ACCEPTED**



Laminated pouches  
(cat food)

**NOT ACCEPTED**



Paint pots

**NOT ACCEPTED**



Microwavable tubs and trays  
(take-away and Tupperware)

**NOT ACCEPTED**



**POTS, TUBS ETC - NO**



Polystyrene

**NOT ACCEPTED**



**HARD PLASTIC - NO**



Roll-on deodorant bottles

**NOT ACCEPTED**



All plastic bags, bubble wrap

**NOT ACCEPTED**



Plastic toys

**NOT ACCEPTED**



**BAGS AND FILM - NO**



Bread bags, cereal liners,  
cling film and ring joiners

**NOT ACCEPTED**



Remote controls

**NOT ACCEPTED**



Food and drink pouches,  
crisp packets

**NOT ACCEPTED**



Toilet seats

**NOT ACCEPTED:**



HARD PLASTIC - NO



Coat hangers

NOT ACCEPTED



GLASS - YES



Glass cosmetic containers

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



GLASS - YES



Drinks/oil bottles

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



GLASS - NO



Drinking glasses

NOT ACCEPTED



GLASS - YES



Food, drink and  
condiment jars

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



GLASS - NO



Glass cookware/pyrex

NOT ACCEPTED



GLASS- NO



Vases and ceramics

NOT ACCEPTED



Nail varnish bottles

NOT ACCEPTED



Light bulbs and tubes

NOT ACCEPTED



Mirrors

NOT ACCEPTED



TETRAPAK - YES



Milk and juice containers

ACCEPTED:

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



TETRAPAK - YES



Sauce cartons

ACCEPTED:

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



TETRAPAK - NO



Frozen yoghurt/lolly tetrapak

ACCEPTED:

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



TETRAPAK - NO



Crisp cans

NOT ACCEPTED



# Frequently asked questions

## How do I recycle shredded paper?

Shredded paper can go into your container insert. It needs to be wrapped in newspaper or contained within a paper bag. *Carrier bags cannot be accepted.*

## Do things have to be washed before recycling?

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

## When is my collection day?

Your collection calendar can be found at [www.nuneatonandbedworth.gov.uk](http://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**.

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- Additional bins
- Assisted collections
- Bulky collection service
- Clinical waste collections
- Community Litter picks
- Enviro team
- Recycling team