

CLEAN, EMPTY AND DRY RECYCLABLES:

- Newspaper and paper, including envelopes, computer and writing paper
- Shredded paper (preferably in plastic bags)
- Plastic bags (bagged together)
- Boxes – cereal, cracker, standard and corrugated
- Magazines and phone books
- Milk jugs (rinse)
- Tin cans and pie plates (rinse)
- Pizza boxes (without food residue)
- Plastics (codes 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5)



NO: glass, styrofoam, needles, diapers, light bulbs, construction/renovation materials, paint cans, motor oil containers, medical waste
For a Recyclepedia and more, visit www.rcbc.bc.ca

WHERE DOES IT GO?

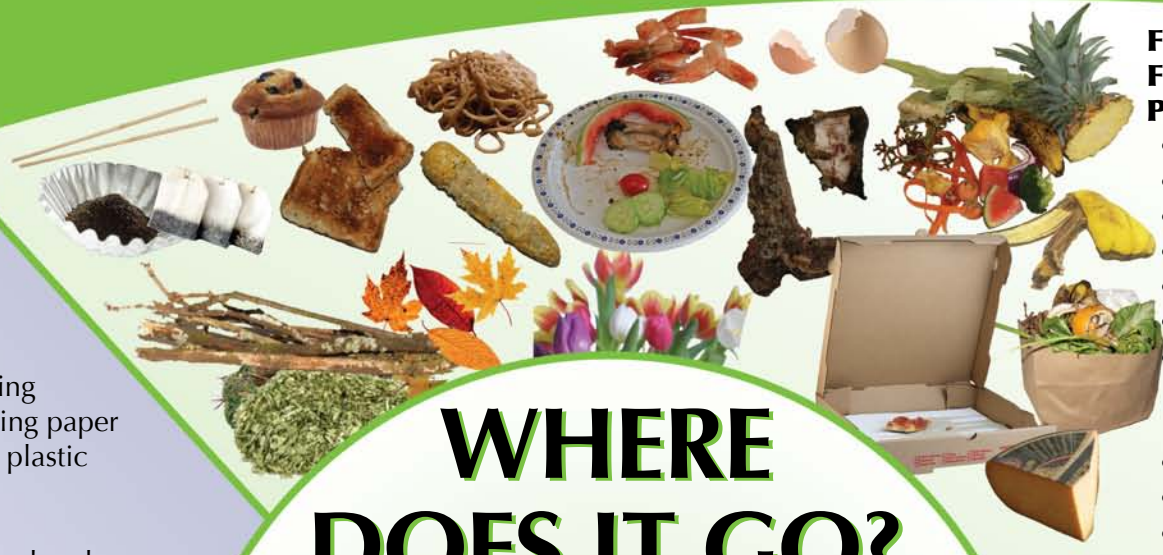


Food Scraps, Yard Trimmings
GREEN CART

Clean Paper, Plastic, Tins
BLUE CART

Whatever's left
LANDFILL CART

What goes into each cart



FOOD SCRAPS, FOOD-SOILED PAPERS AND PLANT/YARD TRIMMINGS:

- Meats, fish, bones, seafood shells
- Eggshells
- Pasta, rice, baked goods, desserts
- Dairy, oils, butter, sauces
- Coffee grinds/filters, tea bags/leaves
- Vegetable/fruit peels, seeds, pits
- Food-soiled uncoated paper products – pizza boxes, paper plates, napkins, etc.
- Wood chopsticks, skewers, stirsticks
- Grass clippings
- Branches, twigs and Christmas trees (no tinsel/flocking) in pieces up to 3" diameter and 40" long
- Leaves, weeds and plant trimmings

NO: plastics of any type, plastic bags (including biodegradable and compostable plastic-type bags), metal, foil, recyclables, construction/renovation materials, household garbage, pet waste, kitty litter



THINGS THAT DO NOT GO INTO THE GREEN OR BLUE CART:

- Regular household garbage
- Styrofoam plates, cups, chips (bagged)
- Plastics (codes 6 and 7) and of unknown origin
- Non-fluorescent light bulbs
- Diapers



NO: pet waste, construction/renovation materials, recyclables, yard trimmings, hazardous materials, medical/special waste, electronics

More info and disposal alternatives:
www.portcoquitlam.ca/greencart

TIPS FOR YOUR GREEN CART



Follow these tips to get the most out of your green cart.

I WANT TO:

	REDUCE FLIES & PREVENT MAGGOTS	MINIMIZE ODOURS	KEEP CART CLEAN	KEEP ANIMALS AWAY
Wrap food scraps in old newspaper or used paper towel.	√	√	√	√
Place food scraps in a paper bag (e.g. grocery, sugar, flour or potato) or kraft paper liner bag.	√	√	√	√
Put meat and fish scraps in a paper bag and freeze it until collection day.	√	√	√	√
Alternate layers of food scraps with dry yard waste (e.g. leaves, dead plants).	√	√	√	√
Periodically rinse the cart with a mild detergent or vinegar/water solution immediately after collection.	√	√	√	
Sprinkle a small amount of powdered garden lime, baking soda or powdered laundry detergent (no bleach) in the cart.	√	√		
Allow grass clippings and leaves to dry before placing them in the cart.		√		
Put salt or vinegar on maggots to kill them. If maggots appear in your cart, a fly has laid eggs on some exposed food scraps.	√			
Capture fruit flies with a bowl of vinegar covered with plastic wrap with several small holes in it. Empty as required.	√			
Secure carts with a wildlife-resistant locking system or store in a locked garage or other wildlife-resistant enclosure. See www.portcoquitlam.ca/bears for more info.				√

Please note: compostable or biodegradable plastic-type bags are not accepted because they hinder the composting process for our service provider.