

Find out about the changes to your

# kerbside recycling and rubbish collection



FOR BUSINESS AND COMMERCIAL CUSTOMERS



INCLUDES YOUR NEW COLLECTION CALENDAR



Your kerbside recycling and rubbish collection is about to get cleaner, greener and smarter!





In response to the community's feedback, we're upgrading our recycling system.

We're encouraging more recycling to protect our beautiful land and waterways.

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# Business and commercial customers: your recycling guide

As a business or a commercial customer you are welcome to use our new kerbside service. This guide explains how to use the service effectively.

An important note – the kerbside collection service does not have the scope to cater for all the waste and recycling that can be produced by businesses and commercial entities. It is only intended to fully serve households in the Wairarapa with domestic quantities of rubbish and recycling.

If you are a business operator, any rubbish and recycling your business generates in excess of what can be safely put in the crates and wheelie bin provided is your responsibility. You are free to drop any excess off at your local Transfer Station, or to hire a commercial recycling service.

The glass crates must not be overfull, to avoid spilling when lifted. They must not weigh more than 10kg (for safe lifting).

#### The kerbside service is suitable for:







Plastic bottles or containers from kitchen and bathroom areas

Tin and aluminium cans from staff

Newspapers for staff

#### The kerbside service is not suitable for:



Commercial volumes of cardboard or large boxes



Manufacturing or process recycling, or surplus stock



Café or restaurant quantities of bottles or containers



Office paper, bulk magazines and bundled leaflets

#### Business and commercial customers

If your business has excess materials, you can drop off your recycling for free at a local transfer or recycling station, or arrange a commercial collection with the Councils' contractor.

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## When do I put my bin out?

Please put your kerbside collections out by 7.30am on your collection day. Collection times may vary. CBD recycling bin collections are generally completed between 8am and 10am to minimise traffic issues.

#### **CBD** collection times



Mon	Carterton CBD	8am-10am
Tues	Greytown CBD	8am-10am
Wed	Martinborough CBD	8am-10am
Thu	Featherston CBD	8am-10am
Fri	Masterton CBD	8am-9am

Other areas will be collected on the same day as domestic collections.

#### Business and commercial customers

# Need to Recycle More?



Responsible businesses take care to ensure they're recycling the maximum amount of waste. That's because it's good for business and it makes good economic sense.

Sensible commercial recycling reduces waste disposal costs and is either cost neutral or saves money for your business. These days too, most consumers expect their suppliers to recycle and do their bit for the environment.

If your business recycling needs go beyond the capacity of the kerbside collection scheme being offered by the Council, we can help.

Earthcare Environmental has a mission to achieve a 100% recycling rate. We work collaboratively with the Councils, businesses and householders all over the Wairarapa to do our bit towards achieving that goal.

We cater for organisations of all types and sizes and offer a free assessment of your commercial recycling needs. Any plan we recommend will be tailored to your business. It will maximise your recycling and simplify the whole process of waste management for you.





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#### Business and commercial customers

### Commercial collection options and scale



#### Glass

240L Glass Green240L Glass Brown240L Glass Clear



#### Mixed recycling

240L Plastic Bottles
Plastic Containers
Aluminium/Steel Cans



#### Paper/cardboard

120L Magazines/Office Paper240L Mixed Paper360L Cardboard1100L Cardboard3 cubic metre Cardboard



#### Other material

For other materials such as plastic strapping, film, pallet wrap, industrial shrink wrap, please call Earthcare Environmental to discuss other recycling options.



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## What's better about these bins?



#### Clip for the lid

Flyaway recycling will be reduced as the wheelie bin comes with a clip to hold the lid down.

#### More room for your recyclables

The new wheelie bins give you an additional 140 litres of recycling capacity every fortnight.

#### Easy to wheel bins

The bins are easy to wheel to the kerb on collection day (and for those with a long driveway, the towbar attachment is a simple option that can be purchased).



Your new commercial rubbish and recycling collection starts from 9 September

Our goal is for a 100% recycling rate. Care to join us?

# What's changing?



From September 9, your green and maroon recycling crates are used for glass only (bottles and jars).



Your new wheelie bin is for recycling plastics, cans, tins, domestic cardboard, and domestic paper (e.g. newspaper).

NO commercial cardboard.



Your recycling will be collected every week (the same day as your rubbish) but will alternate between glass and other recycling. 
See calendar on pages 16-17



If you operate in Masterton your recycling pick-up day may change. We'll let you know if your day has changed.

→ See calendar on pages 16-17

# BINS AND CRATES ALTERNATE!

#### For example:



WEEK 1: rubbish + crates

(glass only in crates)



#### WEEK 2: rubbish + bin

(plastics, cans, cardboard and paper in bin)

For more information, see calendar on pages 16-17

#### TIPS FOR CARDBOARD AND PLASTICS



The contents of your bin must fall freely into the truck – please do not jam oversized domestic cardboard into your bin.



Flatten boxes where possible, cut down flat domestic cardboard so it fits easily into your wheelie bin.

NO commercial cardboard



Items such as buckets will not be collected. Only plastic milk and drink bottles, containers and plastics **1** and **2** from your lunchroom or bathroom areas.



Please don't include any oversized plastics (nothing over 3 litres), meat trays or polystyrene.

Meat trays can't be recycled because the dimpled plastic means they can't be safely cleaned.

### What's the same?

Rubbish bags will still be collected every week.



Empty glass bottles and jars still go in your crates.

# These items GO IN your recycling wheelie bin



Tins and cans



Paper and cardboard

NO commercial cardboard



Plastic bottles and containers.
Plastics **1** and **2** (such as soft drink, water and milk bottles; food trays and ice cream containers) are recyclable in NZ.

Please don't squash bottles



Please give us a hand and rinse your recycling, dirty items may not be accepted.

# These items CAN'T GO in your recycling wheelie bin



Food waste Garden waste



Electrical goods TV tubes and computer screens Oven ware



Rubbish Disposable nappies **UHT** containers Meat trays Polystyrene



Pyrex dishes and ovenware

China and crockery (cups, saucers, plates)

Ceramics

Crockery

Porcelain



Paint and chemicals Liquids

Polystyrene

Bubble wrap

Light bulbs

Fluorescent tubes



Drinking glasses Window glass Opal glass Glass bricks



Engine oil bottles Automotive parts



Hot ashes



Medical and laboratory glass containers



# Where to put your bin

- Make sure it's close to the road edge, but at least one metre away from other objects
- > Stay clear of any cars and overhead hazards such as trees and electricity wires (so there's enough room for the truck's mechanical arm)
- Make sure lids are closed and latched, and the front of the bin faces the road (wheels are at the back)

#### **NO EXIT + PRIVATE ROADS**

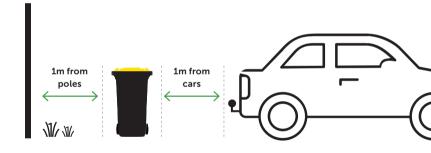
If you operate in a cul-de-sac or no exit road... we'd appreciate your help putting your bin in a place where our trucks can safely access it. Bins that have been placed in difficult access locations may not be collected.

If you operate on a private road... Your bin must be placed on the kerbside of a public road which is on our collection route. We do not service private roads.

#### STAYING SAFE

We want to keep the staff who collect your recycling safe. Safety is critical to Council and its contractors. If we continuously find non-recyclable and dangerous material in your recycling bins we may stop collecting your recycling.

Find out more about our three-strike policy on your Council website











# Recycling bin lids

#### **CLOSED AND LATCHED**

Your new recycle wheelie bin is fitted with a SafeWaste Bin Lid Latch. This will keep everything safely inside the bin and the lid shut — even when it's really windy!

The latch will auto-release when the truck picks up the bin for emptying. This will reduce the amount of recycling lost during collections and while the bin is waiting to be collected, helping to protect our environment.

We appreciate your contribution to reducing litter and keeping our town tidy.

#### **LATCHING INSTRUCTIONS**

To engage the latch hook, pull the finger tab (protruding from the hook) down, so that the hook catches on the bin rim.

To release the latch hook from the bin rim, pull the finger tab upward and outward until the hook disengages.

# Your rubbish and recycling collection day

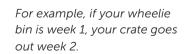
#### IMPORTANT INFO ON THE STICKER

Your rubbish and recycling collection day will be written on the side of your new wheelie bin.

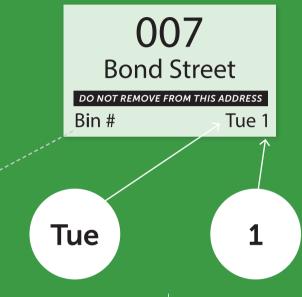
Because we're only collecting your wheelie bin every other week we've allocated houses to either 'week 1' or 'week 2'. The sticker on your bin shows whether your wheelie bin collection is on week 1 or week 2: that will be the week for your wheelie bin; the following week will be for your crates.

See calendar on pages 16-17 which shows the weekly schedules.

Bond Street



#### REMEMBER! BINS & CRATES ALTERNATE



The sticker shows your new collection day — this is for both your weekly rubbish and recycling collections

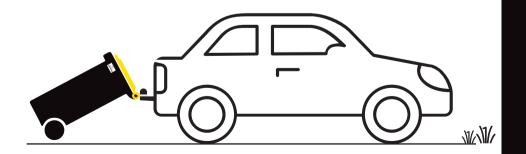
The sticker also shows whether you are 'week 1' or 'week 2' for your wheelie bin recycling collections

#### **PUBLIC HOLIDAYS**

When a public holiday falls on a collection day, collections throughout that week will be a day later. The calendar on pages 16-17 will help you remember.

#### **COASTAL COLLECTIONS**

For those on the Masterton Coast (Tinui, Riversdale and Castlepoint) and the South Wairarapa coastal and rural areas (Ngawi, Tora and White Rock), there's no change to your rubbish and recycling collections — just continue to use your existing recycling bins as usual. You can take excess material to your local transfer station. 
See page 23 for station locations.





**SET YOUR ALARM!** 

Please put
your kerbside
collections out by
7:30am

## How your collection calendar works

#### IF YOUR STICKER SAYS '1'

Put out rubbish bags + wheelie bin on week 1

(Your sticker tells you which day of the week.)



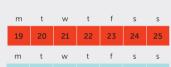
Put out rubbish bags + crates on week 2

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Using a sample week as an example:

WEEK 1 = red

**WEEK 2** = blue 26 27 28



29 30 31

#### IF YOUR STICKER SAYS '2'

Put out rubbish bags + wheelie bin on week 2

(Your sticker tells you which day of the week.)

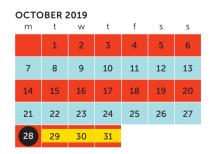


Put out rubbish bags + crates on week 1

PUBLIC HOLIDAY: black dot

COLLECTION A DAY LATER: yellow strip

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#### DECEMBER 2019 t f s s m t w 26 27 28 31 Christmas collection: 26th Dec **MARCH 2020** m t w t f s s 24 25 **JUNE 2020** W S S

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New Year's collection: 2<sup>nd</sup> Jan

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#### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

? Why do we need a new recycling service?

We're passionate about reducing the amount of waste which goes to landfill and we need to be smarter about how we manage rubbish and recycling. This new system is cleaner, greener and smarter and also gives you more recycling capacity.

What makes this service better value?

Previously you just had two crates for all your recycling. Now you have the same two crates (100 litres) plus a 240-litre wheelie bin. You're getting more value for your ratepayer dollar. That is an extra 140 litres of recycling per fortnight.

Why do we have to separate glass?

If not managed correctly, glass can be hazardous for our sorting staff and can cause damage to recycling machinery — separating the glass makes it easier to manage. Plus, the company which recycles paper cannot accept paper that has been contaminated with glass (during storage on your property or collection).

? Does it matter what colour recycling crate I use?

No. You can use either your red, green, or both official crates for glass bottle and jar recycling.

How much can I fill the crates?

There can't be any glass stacked above the rim of the crate. That's to ensure the bins aren't too heavy to carry and glass doesn't fall out and break as we're emptying the bins. Crates may be three quarters full and weigh no more than 10kg each (safe lifting weight).

What if my business has more recycling and waste than I can fit into the crates and wheelie bin provided?

The kerbside collection can only cope with quantities that comfortably fit into the crates and wheelie bins provided. If your business routinely produces more than that, then you are free to drop it off at your local Transfer Station, (see page 23), or you can contact a private collection service such as the Councils' contractor Earthcare.co.nz.

Who owns the wheelie bins?

The wheelie bins are allocated by the Councils to individual properties (by rateable unit). All bins have a unique ID which can be scanned to identify what property the wheelie bin is allocated to.

? Can I use someone else's wheelie bin?

No you can't use a wheelie bin at a property other than the one it has been allocated to. If we find bins too far from their address, we'll aim to get it back to the right property. What happens if my wheelie bin is damaged or stolen?

Damaged wheelie bins will be repaired or replaced by Council, except when obviously damaged by users (such as incorrectly towing it behind a vehicle). If your wheelie bin is missing or stolen, please contact your Council. If your bin is stolen, your first bin will be replaced with a delivery charge. After the first replacement bin, property owners will be charged \$60 per bin.

Who gets allocated a wheelie bin?

The simple rule is that if your business has its own rating number, a bin will be allocated, and the sticker on the side will specify to which property it belongs.

- ? If I sell my business, can I take my wheelie bin with me?
  The wheelie bin is allocated to the property and must stay there for the new owners or tenants to use.
- ? If I have a long or complicated access, how can I easily get my wheelie bin to the kerb?

Try towing your wheelie bin to the kerbside by car. You can purchase wheelie bin tow bar attachments. Search online for "wheelie bin tow bar attachment" or visit your nearest hardware store.

How many crates can I use?

You can put out a maximum of two crates every fortnight. You must use official Council crates which are sturdy and safe for lifting by our contractors.

Will our rubbish bags cost the same when the new service begins?

Yes, the official rubbish bag service stays the same. Your council website has up-to-date charges.

? Is there a collection for appliances and old furniture etc?

You can take unwanted electronic goods such as computers, laptops, car batteries, DVD and CD players, routers, household whiteware and kitchen appliances to Masterton, Carterton and Martinborough transfer stations. Unfortunately, we don't accept old furniture. Local charities often appreciate usable donations or you can take it to your local refuse transfer station.

What should I do with garden waste?

If you do not wish to compost your garden waste, you can contract a local garden waste collection company, or take it to your refuse or recycling transfer station where you will be charged a fee for its disposal.

? Can all plastic be recycled?

No. We prefer to take only plastics #1 and #2. Plastics #3 to #7 are generally being stored or going to landfill at this time, until there is a market for these materials.

What if the wheelie bin is too heavy for me?

The bin has wheels and a handle that is designed to roll along easily when tilted.

# What happens to my recycling?

All recycling from the bins and crates is taken to Earthcare Environmental's Materials Recycling Facility (MRF) for sorting and processing.

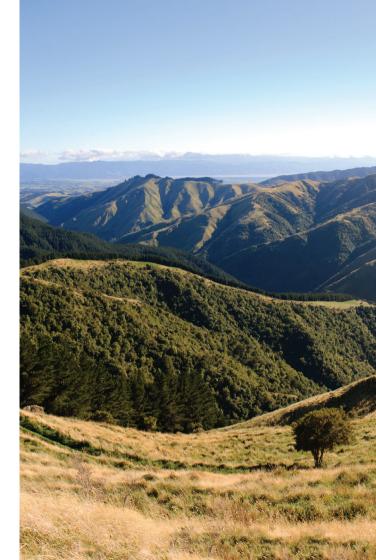
Earthcare Environmental is passionate about reducing waste. By investing in innovative equipment, the best people and the right systems, they recover the maximum amount of material possible for recycling. They're in the process of investing over \$2 million in new equipment in Masterton, such as purchasing electric forklifts (replacing diesel), improving green waste processing, and building a sorting facility for recycling that is safer for staff. This is all part of Earthcare's mission to achieve a 100% recycling rate.

Earthcare is a family-owned Kiwi business which cares about the local community, especially their 41 local staff members and their families. 

Find out more at www.earthcare.co.nz



Earthcare Environmental encourages people to purchase products packaged in easily recyclable plastics in New Zealand, i.e #1 and #2 wherever that is an option.



# What are some of the recyclables turned into?



**32 milk bottles** can be recycled into a recycling crate



**Five 2 litre plastic (PET) bottles** makes enough fibrefill for one fleece jacket



Aluminium cans are melted down and turned into new cans

#### **DID YOU KNOW?**



Recycling **1** glass jar saves enough energy to run a light bulb for **4** hours!



Recycling plastic uses half the amount of energy compared to burning it in an incinerator



For every tonne of paper recycled, 13 trees are saved!

# Recycling is a great way to divert waste from ending up in landfill! But here are a few other tips to try:

#### **TIPS TO REDUCE YOUR WASTE**



Start a compost bin (reduces waste and great for the garden!)



Before throwing broken items away, try repairing them first





Buy reusable products such as grocery bags and containers



Try and avoid buying products with lots of plastic packaging

## Station locations

#### **URBAN TRANSFER STATIONS**

#### Masterton, Nursery Road

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 7:30am-4:30pm, Sat 8:30am-4:30pm, Sun & Public holidays 10am-4pm, Closed on Christmas Day, New Year's Day and Good Friday

#### Carterton, Dalefield Road

Opening hours: Tue-Fri 9am–11am, Sat 9am–12pm, Sun 1:30pm–4:30pm. Extra material for Urban Transfer Stations: All kerbside recyclables, Refuse, Car Batteries, Green Waste (chargeable), Scrap Metal

#### Martinborough, Lake Ferry Road Transfer Station

Opening hours: Wed 1pm-3pm, Sat 10am-4pm, Sun 10am-1pm

#### **COASTAL TRANSFER STATIONS**

#### **Castlepoint Rural Recycling Station**

Opening hours: Wed 9am-12pm, Sun 11am-3pm

#### **Riversdale Rural Recycling Station**

Opening hours: Wed & Sun 1:30pm-4:30pm, Sundays in December, January and February 1:30pm-7:30pm

#### **RECYCLING STATIONS**

#### **Greytown Recycling Station, Cotter Street**

Opening hours: Tue 1pm-3.30pm, Sat 10am-12pm, Sun 10am-1pm

#### Featherston Recycling Station, Johnston Street

Opening hours: Thurs 11am-3pm, Sat 11am-3pm, Sun 11am-3pm

#### **Pirinoa Recycling Station**

Opening hours: Wed 1pm-3pm, Sat 10am-12pm, Sun 4pm-6pm

#### **Hinekura Recycling Station**

Available 24 hours

#### Ngawi Bottle Bank and Recycling Bin

Located opposite Ngawi Fire Station Available 24 hours



# We appreciate your contribution to reducing litter and keeping our town tidy.

Questions about your bins, collections or fortnightly schedules? Enquire online:

## www.wairecycle.nz

Or call your local Council:

South Wairarapa District Council \ 06 306 9611

Masterton District Council **№** 06 370 6300

Carterton District Council \ 06 379 4030









