GO GREEN WITH PET WASTE

Pet poop and kitty litter (organic only) should go in your building's **Green Bin** organic waste container.





NO BLACK BAGS

Do not put recyclable materials in black plastic bags. **Put items loose in recycling** or in a clear bag.





PIZZA PACKAGING

Empty and non-greasy pizza boxes can be recycled. Put liners and plastic holders in the garbage. Leftover pizza and greasy or soiled boxes go in the Green Bin (organic waste).





MAKE COMPOST, NOT GARBAGE

Almost **50%*** of waste thrown in the garbage in Toronto apartments and condominiums is **organic**. Use your organics bin.



TIP: Store food scraps in your freezer to eliminate smells.



EMPTY AEROSOL CANS GO IN RECYCLING

Take aerosol cans containing hazardous products to a Drop-Off Depot, Community Environment Day or check with building management.





SAY NO TO SINGLE-USE ITEMS

Next time you order takeout ask the restaurant not to include single-use items like utensils and napkins. Use what you have at home instead.





ONLINE SHOPPING?

Flatten boxes and **recycle**. Bubble wrap and bubble envelopes go in the **garbage**.





GLASS BOTTLES AND JARS

Need to be **rinsed** to remove residue before putting them, with lids on, in **recycling**.





REFUSE & REDUCE

Do you really need that pamphlet? Free keychain? Or extra ketchup package? Saying "No" to items you don't need helps reduce unnecessary waste.





BATTERIES ARE HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

Ask the superintendent or property manager where the collection area is for your building, or take them to a **Drop-Off Depot** or **Community Environment Day**.







PLASTIC BOTTLES AND JUGS GO IN RECYCLING

Empty and rinse to remove any residue. Keep lids/pumps on.





FOOD JARS AND TUBS GO IN RECYCLING

Empty and rinse to remove any residue. Keep lids on.







PAPER PLATES, TOWELS AND NAPKINS

Go in the **Green Bin** (organics) if they're not soiled with chemicals such as cleaning products.





KNOW BEFORE YOU THROW!

Download the TOwaste app to search how to properly dispose of waste items and locate the nearest Drop-Off Depot or donation centre.







SMALL ITEMS. BIG PROBLEMS.

Cigarette butts and gum are the most common litter items in Toronto. Don't toss them on the ground. Please dispose of them properly.





DISPOSABLE COFFEE CUPS GO IN THE GARBAGE

All paper coffee cups must go in the **garbage**, not the recycling. Non-black plastic lids and paper sleeves go in the **recycling**.





NOTALL PAPER IS THE SAME

Paper towels, tissues and napkins (if not soiled by chemicals) go in the **Green Bin** (organic waste).





NO CLOTHING IN THE RECYCLING

Never put clothing, shoes, and other textiles in the recycling. Donate these items; otherwise place them in the garbage.







KNOW BEFORE YOU THROW!

Not all items with a are accepted in Toronto's Blue Bin recycling program. Check Waste Wizard, download the TOwaste app or call 311 to find out what goes where.





NO FOOD IN RECYCLING

Food should never go in the recycling (Blue Bin).

It can ruin perfectly good recycling, resulting
in it being sent to landfill.





EXPIRED MEDICATION?

Unused or expired medication and vitamins should not be flushed down the drain/toilet or put in the garbage. Take them to a pharmacy, Drop-Off Depot or Community Environment Day.







DO THE RIP TEST...

to check if paper is lined with plastic. If you see a plastic lining, the item goes in the **garbage**.





DISPOSE OF HAZARDOUS WASTE PROPERLY

Never put household hazardous waste in the recycling, garbage or down the drain or toilet. Ask your property manager if your building has a collection area or take to a Drop-Off Depot or Community Environment Day.





ELECTRONICS COLLECTED SEPARATELY

Electronic waste doesn't go in the regular recycling, but is collected separately at your building. Ask the superintendent or property manager where the collection area is located.





ANY BAG WILL DO

You can use any plastic or paper bag to collect your organic waste. Compostable bags aren't necessary. Remove all food packaging before placing organics in your bin.





DO NOT GO IN THE RECYCLING

Black plastic. Chip bags. Stand-up pouches. Chopsticks. Squeeze tubes (used for toothpaste, lotion, etc.). Put these items in the **garbage**.





SOMANY WAYS TO REDUCE WASTE!

Reuse. Repurpose. Borrow. Share. Swap. Repair. Donate.





MORE BLUE & GREEN IN THE BATHROOM

Toilet paper rolls and shampoo bottles go in the **Blue Bin** (recycling). Tissues (not soiled with chemicals) and feminine hygiene products go in the **Green Bin** (organics).





DID YOU REMEMBER YOUR REUSABLE BAG?

Help reduce the amount of waste going to landfill by carrying a reusable bag, coffee cup and water bottle.







RECYCLE RIGHT!

Don't bag recycling. Put your recycling in loose. If needed, use a clear bag.





TIP TO REDUCE YOUR WASTE

Repurpose old items such as jars, which can be used to store grains and seeds.







REDUCE WASTE IN THE KITCHEN

Stop single-use in the kitchen by switching to reusable sandwich bags, beeswax wrap, and reusable food storage containers.





REDUCE LAUNDRY WASTE

Avoid plastic bottles by purchasing laundry detergent in bulk using your own container or try soap nuts. Use reusable dryer balls instead of disposable dryer sheets.





REDUCE WASTE WHEN ORDERING TAKE-OUT

Tell restaurants you don't need disposable cutlery and napkins. Ordering through an app? Add a note to your profile stating you do not need single-use items.





TIP TO REDUCE WASTE

Need a tool? Ask your neighbours if they have one to lend. Or better yet, start a lending library or social media sharing group in the building.



