



Green bin waste is collected once a week on your scheduled collection day, unlimited bins.

Why is green bin composting important?

- Green bin material is processed into a nutrient-rich compost that is used to fertilize farmers' fields.

Acceptable green bin items

- **ALL FOOD AND FOOD SCRAPS:** All food (raw or cooked), dairy products, fats, oils and grease, eggshells, bones and shells, coffee grounds, coffee filters and teabags, corn cobs and husks
- **FOOD-SOILED PAPER AND NAPKINS:** Facial tissues, napkins, used paper towels and paper plates, shredded paper (small amounts)
- **OTHER ITEMS:** Sanitary products (diapers and feminine hygiene products), household plants, hair, pet fur and pet waste, kitty litter, animal bedding

Using your green bin is easy!

- Compostable bags are preferred but plastic bags are accepted. Please bag and tie securely.
- Green bins must weigh less than 20.5 kilograms (45 pounds).

What does not belong in the green bin?

Styrofoam™, plastic wrap and packaging, wipes, dryer sheets, disposable mop sheets and cigarette butts



MOBILE APP

Download the app for a collection schedule, custom pick-up reminders and the 'What Goes Where?' search tool.

Visit vaughan.ca/waste



Need to purchase garbage tags or City-branded blue boxes and green bins?

Visit vaughan.ca/ServiceVaughan



Blue box recycling is collected once a week on your scheduled collection day, unlimited bins.

Recycling makes a difference!

- Sort your recyclables – not sure, check first using the City of Vaughan's Recycle Coach app.
- Make sure all items are empty, rinsed and loose.
- **Never bag your material!** Bagged recycling cannot be processed and will be left behind.

Tips to secure your blue box and its contents on windy days

- Leave 7.5 centimetres or 3 inches at the top of your blue box to prevent litter.
- **DO NOT OVERFILL THE BLUE BOX.** Purchase additional boxes, if needed.
- Flatten and cut down cardboard and bundle securely.

Acceptable blue box items

- **PLASTIC BOTTLES AND FOOD CONTAINERS** (empty and rinsed): Antifreeze, windshield washer, detergent, bleach and other cleaner bottles (under 15 litres); food tubs and lids (e.g. yogurt, ice cream or margarine); clamshells (clear plastic muffin and produce containers); water bottles and drink bottles; shampoo and dish soap bottles
- **GLASS BOTTLES AND JARS** (empty and rinsed): Pasta sauce, pickle, baby food, jam, and mason jars
- **ALUMINUM AND STEEL** (empty and rinsed): Aerosol cans and paint cans (empty with lid removed); aluminum foil, trays, pie plates, pop cans; food and beverage cans and lids rinsed; metal lids
- **CARTONS AND BOXES:** Cardboard (flatten and tie in bundles no larger than 0.6 metres x 0.6 metres x 0.3 metres (2 feet x 2 feet x 1 foot). Tetra Pak® packages and milk/juice cartons and juice boxes; boxboard (e.g. cereal boxes, shoe boxes); spiral-wound containers (e.g. Pillsbury™ dough, frozen juice, Pringles™); paper rolls; egg cartons
- **HOUSEHOLD PAPER:** All office paper; books (hard or soft cover); brown paper bags; newspaper (plastic sleeve removed); flyers, magazines and mail

What doesn't belong in the blue box

Plastic bags, Styrofoam™, single-use masks and gloves, black plastic, plastic wrap, coffee or drink cups, coffee pods, stand-up food pouches, clothing, toys, snack wrappers, hoses, hangers, wood, facial tissues, paper towels, napkins and wipes.



The City of Vaughan collects garbage every other week, with a three-item limit. Large or bulky items, such as furniture, can also be placed curbside on your regular garbage collection day (restrictions apply). Each bulky item counts toward the three-item limit.

Garbage tags are required if you exceed three items, to a maximum 13 items. Garbage tags can be purchased online at vaughan.ca/ServiceVaughan.

CHOOSE THE RIGHT BINS!

- Blue boxes for recycling; black/grey bins for garbage.
- Bags and bins must weigh less than 20.5 kilograms (45 pounds)
- Blue boxes and garbage bins must be less than 121 litres (32 gallons). **NO ATTACHED LIDS OR WHEELS.**



LEAF AND YARD WASTE

- Leaf and Yard Waste is collected seasonally, check vaughan.ca/waste for a collection schedule.
- Waste must be bundled, bagged or in waste containers without lids marked "Yard Waste".

Acceptable leaf and yard waste materials

- Plant material (no soil), leaves, branches, twigs, straw and cornstalks
- Individual branches that are less than 10 centimetres (four inches) in diameter and bundled securely
- Branches, twigs and cuttings that are tied in secure bundles and less than 1.5 metres (five feet) in length and 0.6 metres (two feet) in diameter
- Bags and bundles must weigh less than 20.5 kilograms (45 pounds)



LARGE APPLIANCES AND METAL ITEMS (remove doors and lids)

To schedule curbside pickup, book through Service Vaughan at vaughan.ca/ServiceVaughan or by calling Access Vaughan, at 905-832-2281 (fees apply).

What Goes Where?

HOW TO SORT YOUR WASTE



What Goes Where?

YORK REGION WASTE DEPOTS

Waste depots are operated by York Region. City of Vaughan residents can use a waste depot to dispose of items not collected curbside or if you have extra waste materials. Fees apply.

The McCleary Court Community Environmental Centre (CEC) depot is located at 130 McCleary Crt. in Vaughan.

Visit york.ca/wastedepots for a complete list of locations and services.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE (HHW) AND ELECTRONIC WASTE (E-WASTE)

Hazardous material must be disposed of safely and never placed in the garbage or down the drain. Electronic waste may also contain hazardous materials and should not be thrown in the garbage. Vaughan residents can drop off hazardous material, e-waste and batteries at any York Region waste depot free of charge.

Hazardous material is anything labelled:



Poisonous



Corrosive



Explosive



Flammable

Examples of e-waste:



CLOTHING AND TEXTILES

Used clothing and other household textiles can be dropped off at a York Region waste depot or a local donation bin. Items must be clean, dry and odourless.

WHAT GOES IN THE ORGANICS BIN?



Please bag and tie securely.

ALL FOOD AND FOOD SCRAPS



FOOD-SOILED PAPER AND NAPKINS



OTHER ITEMS



WHAT GOES IN THE RECYCLING BIN?



Empty, rinsed and loose.

PLASTIC



PAPER



GLASS AND METAL



WHAT GOES IN THE GARBAGE BIN?

