

Why Sort?

SORTING IS IMPORTANT BECAUSE SOMETHINGS THAT YOU PUT IN THE TRASH COULD HAVE BEEN PUT IN THE RECYCLE OR COMPOST! WHEN WE SORT, IT REDUCES THE AMOUNT OF TRASH THAT GOES INTO LANDFILLS, WHICH ARE FILLING UP QUICKLY. THIS BROCHURE WILL SHOW WHAT GOES INTO EACH BIN YOU PUT OUTSIDE ON COLLECTING DAY.

SPECIAL CASES

Batteries: Some hardware stores like Home Depot accept non-working batteries
Computers, TVs and Phones: NOT IN THE GARBAGE! Visit here to get more info on where to dispose
<http://www.ecyclewashington.org/>
Mattresses- Places like Factoria Recycling and Transfer Station at 13800 SE 32nd St, Bellevue, WA 98005

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON SORTING, VISIT THIS LINK!

[HTTPS://KINGCOUNTY.GOV/DEPTS/DNRP/SOLID-WASTE/GARBAGE-RECYCLING/RECYCLING/RECYCLING-QUICK-GUIDE.ASPX](https://kingcounty.gov/depts/dnrp/solid-waste/garbage-recycling/recycling/recycling-quick-guide.aspx)

Home Waste Sorting 101

Trash Bins

- Plastic utensils
- Plastic bags
- Masks
- Plastic gloves
- Cleaning wipes
- Food wrappers and chip bags
- Aluminum foil
- Materials like wire and twine
- Straws (check to see if they can also be recycled)



Recycle Bins

- Bottles, jars, jugs, and tubs and lids 3" diameter and larger (plastic clamshell "to go" containers are not curbside recyclable)
- Paper (except for shredded paper)
- Milk cartons
- Glass items like jars
- Magazines



Compost Bins



- Any food scraps! (or put them in your own composting bin)
- Paper plates/bowls/cups (The ones without coating/shiny layer)
- Pizza boxes
- Garden clippings
- Egg cartons
- Paper towels and napkins (as long as they don't contain non-compostable substances.)

