

Thursday 1

Recycling and rubbish collection dates 2026

- Please put your containers out by **6am**
- **Rubbish** will only be collected inside an **authorised bin or bags**
- Do not put **plastic bags** in the recycling containers. Items should be put in loose

Your collection day is **Thursday** except on or after Christmas and New Year where stated. Collections return to normal the week beginning 11 January 2027.

	Recycling and Food	Rubbish and Food
December 2025	11, 27 (Sat)	4, 18
January 2026	9 (Fri), 22	3 (Sat), 15, 29
February 2026	5, 19	12, 26
March 2026	5, 19	12, 26
April 2026	2, 16, 30	9, 23
May 2026	14, 28	7, 21
June 2026	11, 25	4, 18
July 2026	9, 23	2, 16, 30
August 2026	6, 20	13, 27
September 2026	3, 17	10, 24
October 2026	1, 15, 29	8, 22
November 2026	12, 26	5, 19
December 2026	10, 24	3, 17
January 2027	8 (Fri), 21	2 (Sat), 14, 28

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Recycling guide

What can go in your recycling containers?

- **Aerosols** (empty and not pierced)
- **Plastics** (please rinse and squash):
 - Plastic bottles, pots, tubs and trays
- **Tins and cans** (please rinse and squash)
- **Foil and foil containers** (wipe, rinse, scrunch foil into a ball)
- **All paper and cardboard**
 - Newspapers and magazines
 - Light card
 - Envelopes (including windows)
 - Cardboard boxes (flattened)
 - Cartons (flattened, if possible)
 - Tube-shaped cardboard containers (flattened, if possible)



Please keep glass in a separate box

- Glass bottles and jars (keep metal screw-tops on)

Food waste

- You can recycle all cooked and uncooked food, including bones
- Please only line your caddy with compostable liners or newspaper
- Place the food bin handle in the 'locked' position to keep animals out



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It's quick, easy and secure to:

- Check your collection days
- Report a missed collection or other problem
- Apply for a garden waste collection

Alternatively, you can call us on 01305 221000.

Please note we no longer post calendars to all households. By downloading this calendar at home you are helping us save money and reduce waste.

If we all put the right stuff in the right bin, we could save up to **£1 million** per year for essential public services