# What to do with the waste?

### The Blue Bin



#### The Green Bin



### The Yellow Bin



### The Black Bin



What to put in:

Printed cardboard boxes, such as packaging for frozen pizza, cornflakes or tea • Envelopes • Brochures • Egg cartons • Cardboard and paperboard: please shred it and put it in the bin, do not put it next to the bin • Catalogues • Paper banderoles from yoghurt pots • All types of paper, including copying paper, wrapping paper and paper packaging • Newspapers and magazines

Kitchen waste: Vegetable and fruit scraps • Eggshells • Coffee grounds • Coffeefilter • Tea leaves and bags • Food leftovers: cooked and uncooked • Bones/Meat waste (without packaging, wrapped in newspaper) • Cooking oils and fats, e.g. butter, deep-frying fat without packaging (wrapped in newspaper)

**Simple rule:** Everything that was on the plate can go into the Green Bin.

Garden waste: Leaves from house plants • Grass cuttings, fine trimmings and branches • Leaves • Brush wood • Weeds

Aluminium foil • Aluminium packaging • Pharmaceutical blister packs (empty) • Cream jars (aluminium and plastic) • Bottles of shower gel, shampoo, liquid detergent • Drink cartons • Yoghurt pots (scraped clean) • Yoghurt lids (please remove from the pot) • Crown caps • Tin cans (scraped clean) • Pasta bags • Plastic fruit and vegetable trays • Plastic foil • Ready meal packaging (scraped clean) • Empty aerosol cans (e.g. deodorant, hairspray etc.) • Styrofoam packaging • Pet food tins (scraped clean) • Cream and body lotion tubes • Toothpaste tubes

Audio cassettes • Disposable razors • Window glass • Hygiene products (sanitary towels, tampons, cotton swabs) • Small animal litter • Ceramics and crockery • Vacuum cleaner bags • Street sweepings • Wallpaper • Thermal paper • Cigarette butts • Soiled paper • Plasters • Video cassettes • Nappies • Wax residues • Toothbrushes



Drink cartons • Wallpaper • Soiled paper • Plastics • Organic waste

Plastic and bioplastic bags • Cigarette butts • Vegetable and fruit nets • Coffee pods and capsules • Vacuum cleaner bags • Nappies

**Biodegradable bags** made of »bioplastic« are popular due to their tear resistance. However, this is exactly what leads to problems in our composting plant. The material does not dissolve quickly enough and has to be removed as a contaminant at great expense. The corn starch used for this purpose often comes from corn plants grown in monoculture, which pollute our nature and environment with pesticides and herbicides. And not least, we should use our fields for food production and not for the production of packaging materials.

Paper • Food residues • Cardboard outer packaging • Textiles • Electrical appliances • Toothbrushes • Disposable razors • Hygiene products • Video cassettes • Packaging with contents

Important: Please put packagings into the Yellow Bin only if completely empty and scraped clean. Heavily soiled containers lead to odour nuisance and will adversely affect the recycling process.

Electrical appliances • Returnable bottles • Drink cartons • Recyclables such as glass, glass bottles, clean paper, aluminium, aluminium and tin cans

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# What to do with the waste?



# Free disposal of batteries, electronic waste, LEDs, energy-saving light bulbs, CDs and DVDs

Batteries, electrical appliances, LEDs and energy-saving light bulbs must not be disposed of with household waste, but taken to the following collection points:

**Batteries:** You will find battery collection boxes in supermarkets, drug and hardware stores (usually at the entrance). Additionally, you can drop off your old batteries at the recycling centre Integral (Umgehungsstraße 7).

**Electronic waste:** Old electrical appliances can also be taken to the recycling centre Integral (see above). Furthermore, Integral offers a free pickup service for old and broken electrical appliances. Make an appointment by calling (06421) 944 144.

**LEDs and energy-saving light bulbs:** You will find collection boxes in supermarkets, drug and hardware stores (usually at the entrance). Additionally, you can drop off LEDs and energy-saving light bulbs at the recycling centre Integral (see above).

**CDs and DVDs (without cases):** can be dropped off for recycling at Stadtbücherei (Ketzerbach 1, hand in at the reception desk), Umweltladen (Softwarecenter 5 a) and Volkshochschule (Deutschhausstraße 38).



# Waste glass

Glass is a recyclable material and should not be disposed of with household waste. In Marburg, it is collected for recycling in above ground and underground containers. It must be separated by colour: green, white and brown glass. (Exceptions: ceramics, window and mirror glass are to be put in the black bin).

You will find the locations of the glass containers at www.marburg.de/glascontainer

**Note:** Some glass bottles are refilled and have a deposit (8 or 15 cents). You will get the deposit back by returning them to the store. These bottles can be recognised by the imprint »Mehrweq« (returnable).

Important: Please be considerate of the people who live in the surrounding buildings and only drop off waste glass Monday to Saturday between 7:00 and 20:00.



# **Bulky waste**

If you want to dispose of old furniture, carpets or mattresses etc., you can apply for »Sperrmüll« (bulky waste). It is collected free of charge twice a year per household.

To request a bulky waste collection online, use this link:

https://marburg.mein-abfallkalender.de/ bw\_sperrmuell

**Important:** The items must be clearly visible at the property line by 6:00 on the collection day.



## **Hazardous waste**

Please dispose of old paints and varnishes, plant and wood preservatives, solvents and contaminated oils via hazardous waste.

Under no circumstances should they be disposed of via the toilet, as they pollute our drinking water!

Hazardous waste collection takes place every first Saturday of the month in 2023 (except public holidays) from 10:00 to 12:00 at the »Müllumladestation« in Marburg-Wehrda (Siemensstraße 5).

For further information call (06421) 201-1403.

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