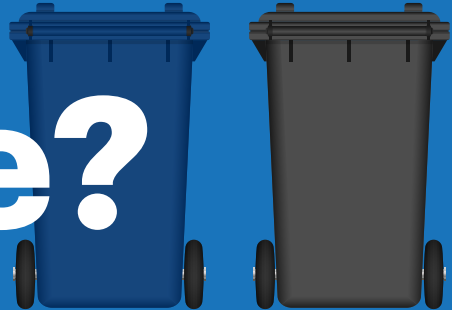


# What goes where? *the heck*

Your guide to sorting garbage and recycling at home

[fortstjohn.ca/garbage-recycling](https://fortstjohn.ca/garbage-recycling)



**The City of Fort St John is committed to developing sustainable strategies to divert solid waste from landfills.**



**It takes**

*all sorts*

We all have a role to play in reducing the amount of waste produced in our region. By working together to reduce, reuse, and recycle, we can build a healthy and prosperous community. Help us protect the places and the people we all love.



**25%** of all residential garbage  
in B.C. is food waste

— *more than any other type of waste.*

*reduce*

Reduce your impact on our planet and improve your soil by composting at home. It is easy and quick to make your own compost from organic materials such as kitchen scraps and yard waste.

The City of Fort St John provides a regular yard waste drop-off for residents during the summer months thanks to a partnership with the Northern Environmental Action Team (NEAT).

Watch [fortstjohn.ca/yard-waste](https://www.fortstjohn.ca/yard-waste) for upcoming dates.

Put these items in your **backyard compost**



**Yard waste**



**Mixed paper**



**Cardboard**



**Coffee grounds  
& filters**



**Fruit & vegetables**



**Wood chips,  
leaves & straw**



**Remember to:**

- Lay twigs or straw first
- Add materials in layers, alternating between moist and dry
- Keep your compost moist

*Clothing made of non-biodegradable fabrics can last up to*

**200 years in a landfill.**

*reuse*

Support our community and keep waste out of the landfill by donating previously-loved items to a thrift store where they can be given a second chance.

Donate these items to your **local thrift store**



**Functional  
electronics,  
appliances & toys**



**Furniture, clothing  
& bedding**



**Gently used  
renovation  
materials**

**REUSE**

*In 2020,*

**81**

**tonnes of material**

*was diverted from landfills in Peace River Regional District.*

*recycle*

You can reduce your carbon footprint and keep your neighbors safe at work by recycling right. The contents of your blue recycle cart are collected bi-weekly, and taken to Recycle-It Resource Recovery where waste workers sort, clean, and process it for use in manufacturing.





Please put these items in your **blue cart**



### Hard plastics

→ plastics labeled #1-7



### Mixed paper

→ shredded paper must be placed in a paper bag or small cardboard box



### Boxboard



### Aerosol containers

→ empty, non-flammable containers



### Tin & aluminium



### Coffee cups

→ cups lined with paper, not plastic



### Cardboard

→ pizza boxes not stained with grease



### Gable-top containers



#### Remember to:

- Empty and rinse all containers
- Remove lids

- Flatten or crush containers and boxes
- Place items directly in your cart, do not bag them (shredded paper goes in)



**RecycleIt**  
Resource Recovery

Recycle more materials at **Recycle-It Resource Recovery**



**Glass**



**Soft plastics**

→ cut off the plastic zipper from zip lock bags



**Electronics**



**Styrofoam packaging**

*Return your*



**Beverage &  
alcohol containers**

*to the*



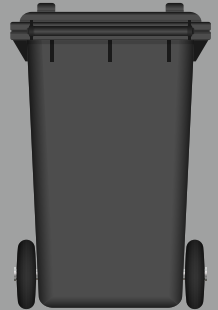
*Depot*

**RECYCLE MORE**

*Canadians*  
**throw away 3.3 million tonnes of plastic each year.**  
*Only nine percent is recycled.*

*garbage*

You can safely dispose of any remaining materials. The contents of your grey garbage cart are collected weekly, and taken to the North Peace Regional Landfill.



Put these items in your **black cart**



**Mixed material bags**



**Gift wrap**



**Lined paper**



**Bathroom products**



**Pet litter**



**Meat, dairy,  
oil & fried foods**

→ these materials can be composted,  
but risk attracting pests



**Remember to:**

→ Bag all garbage items and place them in your cart



PEACE RIVER REGIONAL DISTRICT

Dispose of more at **North Peace Regional Landfill**



**Bulky waste**



**Wood waste**



**Demolition & construction waste**



**Tires**



**Hunting waste**



**Remember to:**

→ Call 1-800-670-7773 for hours, operations, and acceptable materials

# When in doubt, *don't throw it out.*

The City of Fort St John is working hard to make recycling easy for everyone. By providing updated resources and information, we're taking the guesswork out of going green.

**Download the Waste Wise app** to find out what goes where.



For more information, please contact:

City of Fort St John  
Public Works and Utilities Department  
250-787-8150 or 3-1-1 for all City services

Monday to Friday 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

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