SORTING IT RIGHT: Your Garbage & Recycling Guide

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Inside Your

BLUE CART

RECYCLABLES

including:

Newspaper &

Magazines

Ice Cream

Boxes



Inside Your

ORGANICS including:











Salad & Fruit















Aerosol Cans & Caps

(non-hazardous)

Plastic

Containers





Shredded Paper (in a clear plastic bag tied at the top)



Clamshells &

Printed Paper &

Cardboard

Paper

Packaging

for Liquids





& Lids







Blue Cart

Plastic Cutlery

& Straws

Absorbent Pads

from Meat Trays

Elastic Bands,

Twist Ties & String

Broken Ceramics

& Broken Glass

Wipes & Personal

Hygiene Items

Foil-Lined

Cardboard



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RECYCLES

Compostables Place in **Green Cart**

Inside Your

BLACK CART

GARBAGE/LANDFILL

including:

Candy Wrappers

Dryer Lint &

Dryer Sheets

Non-Repairables

(e.g. broken toys, old

hosepipe, etc.)

You may choose to **bag your garbage** or place it loose inside the cart. Items should NOT exceed 60 cm (2 feet) in any dimension.

Never forget your collection day again! Download the FREE "Nanaimo Recycles" app from Google Play or the Apple App Store.



No Plastics,

Including

Biodegradable

Coffee Grounds

& Filters

Leaves, Grass & **Light Trimmings** (no branches)



No Soil, Sod or

Rocks





Other Personal



Take to the Recycle Depot **Hygiene Items**



Remove any tape, string, ribbon or other contaminants (staples & tape acceptable) from cardboard.



Please use only compostable liners with the compostable logo (shown to the right), or better yet, line the bottom with newspaper for easy cleaning.



Recycle these items at drop-off depots:



Plastic Bags/

Overwrap



Packaging



Bottles



Containers



Batteries &

Electronics



Other Flexible **Plastic Packaging**





App Store



























& Foil

No Glass Bottles

or Jars



No Plastic Bags, Wrapping or Styrofoam **Recycle at Depot**



Waste Recycle at Denot

Rinse, squish and **flatten** items before placing in cart.

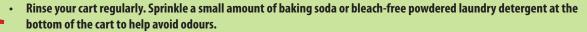
Take drink containers to a **Return-It Depot** for a

SORT TOSS ROLL Tips & Tricks



ORGANICS CART

- Large amounts of grass clippings can become stuck in your organics cart, especially when damp. Place small amounts of clippings into your cart, layer materials and give the grass time to dry out.
- Line the bottom of your cart with newspaper.
- No branches or sod; only light trimmings, leaves and grass.
- Use only bags that have the 100% compostable logo on them.



REMEMBER: Overfilled carts spill items onto the street, attract wildlife and other animals and will not be collected. It is the responsibility of the homeowner to make sure that waste materials are properly sorted and prepared for collection as per the Solid Waste Bylaw.



RECYCLING CART

- Always flatten cardboard boxes maximum 2'X 2' inside your blue cart.
- Place shredded paper inside a tied clear plastic bag.
- To maximize space, flatten plastic jugs, boxboards and only stack containers that held the same contents.
- Larger corrugated cardboard (ie: banana boxes) should be taken to the drop off depots.
- Never place glass, styrofoam or film plastic/plastic bags in your blue cart.

REMEMBER: Not all items with a recycling symbol are accepted in your blue cart. Always check the "What Goes Where Tool" on the City of Nanaimo website @ www.nanaimo.ca or use the Nanaimo Recycles App.



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GARBAGE CART

- Garbage must easily fall out of the cart when tipped. Never stuff your cart as it will create a suction and not empty properly. Smaller kitchen catchers work better than larger bags!
- Always double bag powders, dust and animal waste.
- Extra bags of garbage will not be collected outside or on top of your cart. This may also prevent collection of your bi-weekly garbage collection.
- Construction materials, wood waste, vehicle parts or scrap metal, dead animals, hot ashes, tires, batteries, paints, or special wastes as defined by the bylaw, are not acceptable for curbside collection.

REMEMBER: To place your carts at the curbside by 8:00 am on your collection day.



CONTAMINATION IS COSTLY!

Contamination increases processing costs and user fees and decreases diversion rates. Put waste in its proper place every time! Recycling, organics or waste carts that are improperly packaged may not be collected. It will be up to the resident to repackage them and put them out on the next scheduled collection date.







