

# Waste Sorting Guide

Visit [www.vwrm.com](http://www.vwrm.com) to view Recycle Coach for what goes where and set reminders. The mobile app can be downloaded FREE!



## GREEN CART

### ORGANICS

- All food waste
- Sugar, flour, potato bags
- Leaves, brush, and plants.
- Coffee filters, and tea bags (no coffee pods)
- Soiled napkins/ paper towels
- Cat litter
- Pizza boxes
- Residential cooking oil or fat
- Facial tissues
- Pine needles, pine cones and tree nuts

- NO** plastic bags. Only use bags labelled Certified Compostable
- NO** ashes (when cold put in clear garbage bag)
- NO** milk cartons
- NO** diapers, wipes or personal hygiene products

## BLUE BAG 1

### RECYCLABLE CONTAINERS

- All plastic containers
- All plastic bags
- Milk and juice containers
- Aluminum foil and plates
- Tin cans
- Glass bottles and jars
- All refundable beverage containers or return to an Enviro Depot™
- Detergent jugs/ body care containers
- Styrofoam® \*/ Polystyrene

\*Styrofoam® packing peanuts are garbage.

- NO** paper
- NO** plastic cutlery or straws
- NO** disposable cups
- MUST** be rinsed and clean

## BLUE BAG 2

### RECYCLABLE PAPER

- Boxboard (cereal and cracker boxes)
- Paper egg cartons & coffee trays
- Newsprint and flyers and paper gift wrap
- Paper (shredded and whole)
- Magazines, catalogues, phone books and paper back novels\*
- Envelopes
- Cardboard (flattened)

\*Remove covers from hard cover books first before placing in bag.

- NO** plastic
- NO** disposable cups
- MUST** be clean and dry

## GARBAGE

### CLEAR BAGS

- Empty aerosol cans
- Potato chip bags
- Drinking straws
- Broken glass (safely packaged, placed besides clear bag)
- Foil gift wrap and ribbon
- Disposable wipes
- Diapers
- Candy wrappers
- Bubble mailers
- Coffee cups and coffee pods
- Cardboard cans (plastic lids can be recycled)

Use the Recycle Coach app to help with sorting & reminders.



## HOUSEHOLD

### HAZARDOUS WASTE (HHW)

HHW materials can be taken to the Management Centres during regular hours.



Empty oil and antifreeze containers are also accepted or search locations and items at [www.uoma-atlantic.com](http://www.uoma-atlantic.com)



## OTHER

### Electronics

Many electronics can be dropped off for recycling. See locations and accepted items at [recycleMYelectronics.ca/ns](http://recycleMYelectronics.ca/ns)



### Batteries

Drop off at our Management Centres or find the nearest location at [www.call2recycle.ca](http://www.call2recycle.ca)



### Clothes/Textiles

Donate old clothes, shoes and textiles to a local charity.



### Medications/Sharps

Pick up a safe sharps container at the pharmacy. For more info visit [pans.ns.ca](http://pans.ns.ca)





**Hotline: 902 679 1325 Toll Free: 1 877 927 8300**

The Valley Waste office and Hotline are open from 8:30am—4:30pm

**Garbage, Recyclables and Compost are all collected every two weeks**



**COLLECTION  
STARTS at 7:00am**

## GREEN CART

### ORGANICS



Wrap wet organics in paper or boxboard to help keep your cart clean and prevent freezing.

The maximum weight limit **not to exceed** 100 kg (220 lb) to ensure the equipment can empty the cart and avoid damage.

Leaves go in the green cart or bring to Valley Waste for free (bags must be emptied on site). Pine needles go in green cart or call the Hotline for alternatives.

Please **do not** put ashes in your green cart!



Have a damaged cart or new home, visit [www.vwrm.com](http://www.vwrm.com) to complete the online form or call **902 679 1325** to request a new or replacement cart.

Mini-bins are \$5 inc. tax at Valley Waste office or the Lawrencetown Scale House.

## BLUE BAG 1

### RECYCLABLE CONTAINERS



**Transparent blue bags required.**

Ensure materials are clean prior to placing in blue bags.

Use standard size blue bags (no longer than 39 inches when flat).

Maximum weight per bag is 15kg (33lb).

Beverage containers can also be redeemed at a local Enviro-Depot™. Visit [divertns.ca](http://divertns.ca) for full details and a list of locations.

**\*Max. of 4 recycling bags** *but if you don't use your full garbage limits you can substitute each unused garbage bag with an additional recycling bag.*



## Yard Waste



Up to two bundles of brush; maximum length 4ft and maximum width 2ft.

## BLUE BAG 2

### RECYCLABLE PAPER



**Transparent blue bags required.**

Ensure paper is clean and dry.

Use standard size blue bags (no longer than 39 inches when flat).

Maximum weight per bag is 15kg (33lb).

Do not mix recyclable containers and paper in the same bag.

### Corrugated cardboard:

Boxes must be flattened and bundled to a size no larger than 3ft x 2ft x 1ft. Place bundles beside blue bags. Maximum 2 bundles per collection.



For information on storm cancellations or special collections see our social media, listen to local radio stations, call our Hotline or visit [www.vwrm.com](http://www.vwrm.com)

## GARBAGE

### CLEAR BAGS



There is a **4 bag limit\*** of garbage per collection.

Each home may place **4 clear bags** of garbage at the curb for collection. Maximum weight per bag is 15kg (33lb).

When necessary one black bag per collection may be used for personal garbage items. This bag is included in your 4 bag limit.

### Spring and Fall Clean-up



Bulky waste is collected during Clean-up weeks offered in the Spring and Fall. Refer to our calendar or visit [www.vwrm.com](http://www.vwrm.com) for more information.

### Private Roads

If you live on a private road contact the Hotline or visit [www.vwrm.com](http://www.vwrm.com) for set-out information.

## OTHER SERVICES

### Fluorescent and CFL Bulbs



Can be brought to the Management Centres for free under our HHW program.

### Christmas Tree Recycling

Visit our website at [vwrm.ca](http://vwrm.ca) or see our calendar for details.



Ornaments and Christmas lights are garbage.

### Refrigerated Units



Fridges, freezers, heat pumps, water coolers, and other refrigerated units contain Chlorofluorocarbon (CFC) which has to be removed before disposal. Bring your unit to the Management Centre for disposal. Fees apply.

**The Management Centres are open to the public to drop off excess materials:**

**Eastern Management Centre**  
100 Donald E Hiltz Connector,  
Kentville Business Park  
**Mon-Fri: 8am-4pm,**  
**Sat: 8am-noon**

**Western Management Centre**  
343 Elliott Rd, Lawrencetown  
**Tues-Fri: 8am-4pm,**  
**Sat: 8am-noon**

Visit [www.vwrm.com](http://www.vwrm.com) for fees.

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