



RESIDENTIAL SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING COLLECTION AREAS (RECYCLING COLLECTED IN EACH AREA ON ALTERNATING TUESDAYS)

 WEDNESDAYS  
 THURSDAYS

ALL GARBAGE / RECYCLING CONTAINERS TO BE OUT BEFORE 8:00 a.m., BUT NOT BEFORE 6:00 a.m.  
 EACH PICKUP AREA WILL HAVE RESIDENTIAL RECYCLING COLLECTED ON ALTERNATING TUESDAYS.

### Enquiry Directory

**Recyclables** - Columbia Shuswap Regional District @ 1.888.248.2773

**Scheduling** - VP Waste Solutions @ 250.439.9479 or 250.439.9679

**Service Complaints** - Town of Golden @ 250.344.2271

### Quick info

- Recycling collection day is alternating Tuesdays.
- Place containers curbside before 8:00 a.m. but not earlier than 6:00 a.m. on your collection day.
- Blue container for recyclables.
- Green container for garbage.
- Glass is not included in this collection program.



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# Residential Solid Waste and Recycling Collection Program Information Guide







Starting in early July, the Town of Golden is commencing curbside collection of single family residential recyclables. The program will include the supply of one roll out 65 gallon container for recycles as well as one 65 gallon container to be used for garbage.

In March of 2011, the Town of Golden elected to provide this service to its residents.

The Town of Golden and the Columbia Shuswap Regional District are excited about introducing this new program that will help residents reach the recycling objectives outlined in the Solid Waste Management Plan.

On alternating Tuesdays single family residences will have recyclables collected at the curb placed in the recycling container.

Garbage collection service pick-up days will not change, but residents will now be required to place their garbage at the curb in the supplied 65 gallon refuse container.

Collection within the Town of Golden will be provided by VP Waste Solutions Ltd. For more information please visit their website at [www.vpwaste.com](http://www.vpwaste.com) or call 250.439.9479 or 250.439.9679.

### Garbage and Recycling Guidelines

- Residents may place one 65 gallon garbage container and one 65 gallon recycling container at the curb on designated collection days.
- Please remember that during the spring and fall, bears are more active in our community as they search for food. It is essential that we are not only aware of these bears, but are proactive in preventing potential conflicts. Store your garbage in a secure shed, garage, or basement unit the morning of your collection day.
- Residential garbage is discard material, substances or objects that originate from single family homes, other than items deemed not eligible for regular disposal.
- Items deemed not eligible for regular disposal would include: recyclables, yard waste, land clearing waste, construction and demolition waste, noxious matter, biomedical waste, large items, car parts, furniture and other items identified as prohibited in Bylaw #1257. A copy of this bylaw can be found on the Town's website: [www.golden.ca](http://www.golden.ca).
- Residential recycling which is eligible to be collected must be contained within the 65 gallon recycling container with the lid fully closed.

### Frequently Asked Questions

- q. May I opt out of the program?
- a. No, this is a mandatory program.
- q. Is my house included in the program?
- a. All single family residential properties are included in curbside recycling.
- q. When does the service start?
- a. Collection will start early July.
- q. Where do I place the containers if I don't have a curb?
- a. All containers must be level to the street and not on a snowbank.
- q. Is it the town's responsibility if my garbage is knocked over or strewn around?
- a. Residents are responsible for scattered material due to animals, birds or weather as per Bylaw #1257. If the garbage is due to improper storage of waste or recycling, or happening during the emptying of the container due to the contents of the container, it is the responsibility of the resident. If the mess is caused by the service provider, it is the service providers responsibility to clean up.
- q. What time will my containers be collected?
- a. Your containers must be placed at the curb before 8:00 a.m. but not before 6:00 a.m. for collection.
- q. If I miss a week, may I place double the amount out the following week?
- a. No, only one (1) 65 gallon garbage container and one (1) 65 gallon recyclables container will be permitted on alternating Tuesdays.
- q. Will this service be included on my tax bill?
- a. The program is included as a part of your annual utility bill issued in January of each year.
- q. Where do I get the containers from?
- a. The containers will be provided to you and remain the property of the Town of Golden.
- q. What colour are the containers?
- a. The container for garbage is green; for recyclables it is blue. Please never mix contents of the containers.
- q. Why can't we use our old garbage containers?
- a. This is an automated collection system that requires a specific type of container that the trucks can pick-up with a mechanical arm.
- q. Can I heap my waste or recycling in order to get more in on collection day?
- a. No, the lid must be fully closed in order for the bin to be collected.

# What to Recycle

Place all your clean recyclables out for collection on your scheduled day. No bags, and no pre-sorting needed. All materials must fit in cart with lid closed.



<b>Tin Cans</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All tin cans.</li> <li>• Empty and rinse.</li> <li>• Labels are ok.</li> <li>• Keep lids attached or place in can and flatten.</li> </ul>	<b>Plastics</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All household plastic containers with the #1-7 recycling symbols - rinse and flatten.</li> <li>• All stretchy plastic film, including grocery bags.</li> <li>• <b>NO</b> styrofoam, no motor oil or chemical containers.</li> <li>• <b>NO</b> lids.</li> </ul>	<b>Boxboard &amp; Heavy Paper</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cereal box-type cardboard, brown envelopes, paper bags, cardboard egg cartons, colored paper, gift wrap, etc.</li> <li>• Flatten boxes and remove liners.</li> <li>• <b>NO</b> waxed, plastic coated cartons or foil gift wrap.</li> </ul>
<b>Aluminum</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Foil and food containers.</li> <li>• Empty and rinse.</li> <li>• Labels are ok.</li> <li>• <b>NO</b> beverage containers (Return for refund.)</li> </ul>	<b>Writing Paper</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All white, neon and coloured paper and envelopes.</li> <li>• All computer paper, labels and envelopes with windows.</li> <li>• No carbon paper, used tissue or paper towels.</li> </ul>	<b>Books, Magazines</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All magazines and catalogues, books with hard covers.</li> </ul>
<b>Newspapers</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All newspapers and flyers, including all inserts and all ad mail.</li> </ul>	<b>Phone Books</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All phone directories.</li> </ul>	<b>Glass</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>NO</b> glass. Glass can be taken to all local recycling depots. Bins containing glass will not be serviced.</li> </ul>

The materials listed here are accepted for recycling. These recyclable products are **NOT ACCEPTED** as garbage.

Take beverage containers to your local bottle depot for a refund.

**NEW:** Return your wax coated or plastic milk containers to your local bottle depot for recycling.

Container lid **MUST** be FULLY closed for collection service. For more information on Recycling, contact the Columbia Shuswap Regional District Office at 1.888.248.2773, or visit [www.csr.d.bc.ca/recyclinginfo](http://www.csr.d.bc.ca/recyclinginfo).

### Recyclables Collection Guidelines

- Containers found to have GLASS or anything OTHER than the above items WILL NOT be emptied; the Resident will be responsible for disposal and charges may be rendered.
- Recyclables include all newsprint, mixed waste paper, cardboard, plastics #1 - #7, metal cans and other materials, excluding glass, which originate from a single family home.
- Each single family home is limited to the provided 65 gal container, placed at the curb every 2<sup>nd</sup> week.
- The container should be placed in the appropriate location for collection.
- Your recycling pick-day will be on alternating Tuesdays.

# What is not garbage

<b>Electronics</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Electrical products, including batteries;</li> <li>• Computer and peripheral components;</li> <li>• Household or commercial appliances; and</li> <li>• Lead acid batteries.</li> </ul>	<b>Barrels, Drums or Containers</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In excess of 205 litres (45 gallons);</li> <li>• Oil containers;</li> <li>• Oil filters;</li> <li>• Paint products;</li> <li>• Solvents; and</li> <li>• Flammable liquids.</li> </ul>	<b>Other</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dead animals;</li> <li>• Liquids and sludge;</li> <li>• Recyclables; and</li> <li>• Refuse that is on fire, smoldering, flammable or explosive.</li> </ul>
<b>Waste</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Biomedical waste;</li> <li>• Hazardous waste;</li> <li>• Noxious matter;</li> <li>• Pesticide products;</li> <li>• Pharmaceuticals;</li> <li>• Radioactive and reactive waste;</li> <li>• Animal excrement not in a sealed container;</li> <li>• Agricultural waste; and</li> <li>• Yard waste.</li> </ul>	<b>Inert Fill Materials</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Soil;</li> <li>• Gravel;</li> <li>• Sod;</li> <li>• Concrete and asphalt;</li> <li>• Demolition, land clearing waste; and</li> <li>• Construction waste.</li> </ul>	<b>Automobile Parts</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Automobile bodies and parts.</li> <li>• Tires.</li> </ul>

Any single object weighing more than 10 kg or measuring more than 1 metre in size will not be collected.

Containers found to have any of the the above contents WILL NOT be emptied; the Resident will be responsible for disposal at the landfill and charges may be rendered. For inquiries regarding scheduling or collection, please contact VP Waste Solutions at 250.439.9479, or 250.439.9679, or the Town of Golden at 250.344.2271.