

Reuse!

Reusing items by repairing them, giving them to charity and friends or selling them also reduces waste. Reusing, when possible, is better than recycling because the item does not need to be reprocessed before it can be used again.

Recycling uses waste to make new products & has become a part of everyday life. We can also buy products that are made from recycled materials, supporting these markets and helping to guarantee the success of our recycling programs.

Make your preferences known to store owners, politicians, community leaders and friends. You have the power to influence others and help create the type of world you want to live in. We are all consumers, and that means we can use our purchasing power to make changes happen. For example, let store managers know that you want less packaging.

Municipal Joint Services Board Lunenburg Regional Community Recycling Centre

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Whynotts Settlement
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Many paper products in your home can be used to contain food waste.

Paper is the Best!

Paper mini bin and green cart liners are the best choice if you prefer to line your cart.

Starch-based compostable bags don't break down. These bags get stuck in machinery used to grind compost and cause contamination of the finished compost.



Starch-based compostable bags lodged in compost grinding equipment.



Paper bags and boxboard are shred easily and decompose quickly.

Newspaper and boxboard (ie. cereal boxes) can also be used in your mini bin and cart. They grind easily during compost processing at the Community Recycling Centre. Both are great for containing wet/oily food waste and they are free!

Do not place plastic wrap, plastic bags, aluminum or glass in your green cart.

Electronics Recycling



Old, TVs, stereos, computers, keyboards and desktop printers must be recycled. **You can drop them off at the Community Recycling Centre during regular hours of operation**

These are now banned from landfill and will not be picked up during regular curbside waste collection or Clean Up. For more information, contact:

Electronic Products Recycling Association
Toll Free: 1-877-462-8907
E-mail: info@recycleMYelectronics.ca
Website: www.recycleMYelectronics.ca/ns

Unused Medication Disposal

Have some leftover medicine in the cupboard? Return it to your pharmacy and have it disposed of safely!

Flushing pills and medications down the toilet can harm fish & other aquatic life.

Kitty Litter Disposal

Kitty litter and animal waste must be placed in garbage not the green cart.

Want to know more?
Check out our website!
www.CommunityRecycling.ca

Recycling Guide



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Community Recycling Centre

TURNING OUR RESOURCES AROUND

RECYCLABLES



"All recyclables must be rinsed - no food to be seen!"

- ▶ Town of Bridgewater & Municipality of Lunenburg use blue bags for recyclables
- ▶ Town of Mahone Bay uses blue bags or clear bags for recyclables

Clean Plastic Containers & Bags

- Beverage containers including pop & juice
- Plastic bottles including food, detergent & shampoo bottles (Leave caps on motor oil containers only)
- Rigid plastic— including take-out sandwich containers
- Plastic tubs – ice cream, yogurt and margarine tubs (Clean with hot water)
- Plastic bags - grocery, retail, bubble wrap. (Remember to empty bags completely and put all bags and bubble wrap in one bag, inside the blue bag)
- Milk bags and sauce bags are garbage

Clean Milk or Juice Cartons & Boxes

- Includes Tetra Paks and mini-sips (empty, wash, rinse, dry & do not flatten)

Clean Metal Cans

- Food cans
- Pet food cans

Clean Glass

- Glass bottles & jars – empty, wash, rinse & dry. Soak when needed

Clean Aluminum Foil & Trays

- Pie Plates and Foil Wrap - rinse, crumple

Do Not Mix Paper and Recyclables in the Same Bag!

If in Doubt - Find Out! Visit:
www.CommunityRecycling.ca

No Paper, Electronics, Diapers, or Styrofoam

PAPER



"Paper goes in grocery or clear bags!"

On wet days, cover with another grocery bag. Recyclables and Paper go in separate bags!

Including:

- Newsprint
- Flyers
- Magazines
- Writing paper & note pads (remove metal coil, no carbon paper)
- Envelopes (include windows)
- Wrapping Paper, non-metallic only (no strings & bows)
- Phone Books, Soft & Hardcover Books
- Egg Cartons and Paper Trays
- Boxboard (e.g. cereal and tissue boxes)

CARDBOARD



Corrugated Cardboard includes electronics & appliance boxes.

Fold boxes flat and tie into 3ft x 2ft x 2ft bundles and put out for curbside collection next to other recyclables.

Please note, larger bundles cannot fit into the collection truck.

All paper must be dry and free of paper clips.
No Carbon Paper

ORGANICS



"Organics go in the Green Cart!"

Compostable bags and plastic bags cause contamination in the green cart.

All Food Waste:

- Meat, fish & bones, shellfish, including shells
- Table scraps including vegetables & fruit
- Tea bags
- Dairy products, pasta & bread

Soiled or Wet Paper:

- Coffee filters & coffee grounds
- Paper towels & paper plates
- Paper napkins
- Tissues & wet paper
- Pizza boxes

Yard Waste:

- Sawdust & wood shavings (not pressure treated)
- Excess leaves, plants & branches no greater than 2 inches in diameter x 3 feet length
- Human and pet hair
- Ashes from stove (**must be cold**)

You do not need to line your bin. **If you do** – we prefer you use a paper bag liner, paper towel or newspaper to line your mini bin and green cart. Contain really wet or oily food waste in cereal boxes.



No Metal, Plastic Bags, Glass, or Styrofoam

GARBAGE



"Garbage goes in the Clear Bag"

One privacy bag is permitted per household, per garbage collection.

Privacy bags may be black, dark green or white. Privacy bags may contain bathroom wastes and hygiene items. **Including:**

- Paper coffee cups and cold drink cups
- Straws & cold drink lids
- Bottle caps
- Fast food packaging
- Pet waste & kitty litter
- Styrofoam
- Soiled aluminum foil
- Soiled plastic wrap and soiled plastic bags
- Potato chip bags and popcorn bags
- Ceramics
- Light Bulbs (put broken glass in a box, tape shut & label)
- Clothing, boots and shoes
- Sanitary products & diapers
- Carbon paper

HAZARDOUS WASTE



Drop hazardous waste off at the depot,
908 Mullock Road, Whynott's Settlement.
Call (902) 543-2991 for depot hours.

Examples:

- Rechargeable batteries
- Leftover corrosive cleaners
- Pesticides & herbicides
- Used oil
- Solvents, thinners & flammables
- All aerosol cans
- Leftover liquid paint
- BBQ propane tanks
- Small propane cylinders (e.g. camp fuel)

Drop off used car tires at tire retailers.