



Anglesea Food and Garden Organics Collection

Quick reference guide

In Anglesea, household food waste goes into the kerbside organics (green waste) bin along with garden clippings – not in the landfill (general waste) bin.

The organic materials will be saved from landfill and turned into compost and mulch which will be used on farms, parks and gardens.

MORE INFORMATION
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Step 1
 Collect food scraps using the caddy. Lining the caddy is optional but if you do line it, please only use the compostable liners provided by council, or newspaper.



Step 2
 Empty food scraps into the kerbside organics bin along with your garden waste. The compostable liner bag can go straight in, or scraps can go in loosely. Please make sure there is **no plastic** of any kind.



No plastic bags
 Plastic bags must never go into the kerbside organics bin. Take food out of any packaging and only use the council provided compostable liners or newspaper.



To see what goes in each bin visit surfcoast.vic.gov.au/WasteandRecycling

What can go in your kitchen caddy?

Tea bags and coffee grounds	Fruit and veg. E.g scraps incl citrus and pips/stones	Meat scraps and bones (raw and cooked)	Fish/seafood, including shells (e.g. oyster shells)	Paper towels and tissues
Dairy products incl cheese, yoghurt, butter	Egg shells	Rice, cereal, grains, pasta and bakery products	Mouldy and expired food (removed from packaging)	Small amounts of cooking oils and fats

What else goes in your kerbside organics bin?

Garden waste	Small amounts of uncoated paper	Pizza boxes, paper wrapping from fish and chips	Pet poo, pet and people hair	Vacuum cleaner dust and cold ash (no glass)

WHAT CAN GO IN MY ORGANICS BIN?



These food, garden and other organic materials are accepted:

Baked goods	Grains	Salad and dressing
Bamboo skewers/ chopsticks	Grass clippings	Seafood (including bones and shells)
Bones	Hair: human and pet	Shredded paper
Branches	Icy pole sticks (wooden)	Small branches
Breads	Jelly	Soiled cardboard/paper
Cakes and pastries	Leaves	Sticks
Cereal slops	Leftover food	Straw and hay
Cereals and grains	Meat (raw, cooked)	Take-away foods
Cheese	Meat scraps	Tea bags/leaves
Christmas trees (live)	Newspaper	Thorny branches
Citrus	Nuts & seeds	Tissues
Coffee grounds and filter paper (no coffee pods)	Out of date food (no packaging)	Toilet rolls
Cooking oil and fats (absorbed in paper towel or newspaper)	Paper bags	Vegetables
Dairy products	Paper napkins	Weeds
Egg shells	Paper plates (uncoated)	Wet paper/cardboard
Feathers	Paper towel	Wooden toothpicks
Fish and chip paper	Paper towel rolls	Wooden cutlery
Flowers	Pasta	
Food scraps	Pet poo	
Fruits	Pizza boxes	
Garden clippings	Poultry	
	Printed serviettes	
	Prunings and cuttings	
	Rice	



DO NOT include in your organics bin:

Packaging • Wet wipes • Clingwrap, plastic packaging or foil of any kind • Plastic bags (even if biodegradable) • Kitchen sponges or cloths • Nappies or sanitary items • Plant pots • Dirt, soil or sand • Stones, rocks, bricks or rubble • Large logs or stumps • Branches too big to fit in the bin • Painted or treated timber • Garden tools or hose • Household garbage • Cigarette butts • Liquids • Items that can be recycled • Hazardous or medical waste such as sharps or sharps containers.



NO PLASTIC. EVER.

Plastic contaminates the organics collection and can make the compost and mulch unusable.

Plastic bags, even those labelled biodegradable, oxo-degradable or degradable, must never be put in the kerbside organics bin.

This also applies to plastic food packaging, containers, bread ties, sandwich bags and dog poo bags.



COUNCIL-SUPPLIED LINERS AREN'T PLASTIC.

Each roll of 150 liners should last your household 6-12 months, but if you need more, you can collect them from:

- **Council offices in Torquay** – open Monday to Friday, 8:30am to 5pm
- **Anglesea Transfer Station** – open 9am to 4pm daily

Check the council website for public holiday opening hours.

Our processor is now happy to also accept Compost-a-pak and Biotuff branded certified compostable bags, which are the brands you'll find in Anglesea IGA and the dog poo bag dispensers along the Anglesea foreshore.



WHAT IF I USE MY FOOD SCRAPS TO COMPOST OR FEED MY PETS?

Keep up the good work! If there are some organics that you can't manage at home, you'll probably find they can be added to your kerbside organics bin.