



HOW TO GET RECYCLING SUPPLIES

There is no charge for new or replacement Blue Box recycling supplies. Here are three ways to get supplies:

1. Pick up all supplies at the Richmond Recycling Depot. Mixed Paper Recycling Bags are also available at Richmond City Hall.
2. Call or email Richmond Environmental Programs at 604-276-4010 or garbageandrecycling@richmond.ca.
3. Order online at richmond.ca/recyclesearch.

Richmond Recycling Depot

5555 Lynas Lane
Open 7 days per week (Closed statutory holidays)
9:00 a.m. to 6:15 p.m.

City Hall

6911 No. 3 Road
Monday to Friday (Closed Saturdays, Sundays and statutory holidays)
8:15 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.



SET OUT TIME

Before 7:30 a.m. every week on collection day.



REPORT A MISSED COLLECTION

Call 604-276-4010 or email garbageandrecycling@richmond.ca.

CITY OF RICHMOND

Environmental Programs:
604-276-4010
richmond.ca/recycle



NOT ALL RECYCLING GOES IN THE BLUE BOX

Take it to the Richmond Recycling Depot

5555 Lynas Lane, open seven days per week, 9:00 a.m. to 6:15 p.m.

You'll be amazed by how much you can take – for free – to the Richmond Recycling Depot. Open seven days a week, it's easy and convenient to drop off multiple items for safe recycling, including:

- Fire extinguishers
- Lead acid batteries
- Smoke and carbon monoxide alarms

- Electronics
- Empty motor oil and antifreeze containers
- Flexible plastic packaging (including chip bags, snack packaging, ziplock bags and bubble wrap)
- Metal items (pots and pans)
- Motor oil, filters and antifreeze
- Polystyrene foam (e.g. Styrofoam)
- Propane tanks and butane cylinders
- Upholstered furniture

For a full list of items, visit richmond.ca/depot.



Non-packaging metal



Non-packaging plastics



Polystyrene foam (e.g. Styrofoam)



Flexible plastic packaging



Cell phones and batteries



Electronics



Propane tanks and butane cylinders/canisters



Large and small appliances



WHAT DO WE MEAN BY NON-PACKAGING PLASTICS AND METALS?

Non-packaging plastic and metal products – products you use – are not accepted in the Blue Box as Recycle BC only accepts packaging. As an example, a plastic toy is considered non-packaging plastic (it must be recycled at the Richmond Recycling Depot), but the plastic package it comes in would be accepted in the Blue Box.

CURBSIDE BLUE BOX RECYCLING



Blue Box Recycling

richmond.ca/recycle





BLUE BOX RECYCLING GUIDE

The following tables highlight accepted recyclable items, what is not accepted and how to sort recyclables using the Blue Box, Mixed Paper Recycling Bag, and Glass Recycling Bin.

Here's a quick step by step on how to use the Blue Box program to recycle at home:

- 1 Sort recyclable materials using the Mixed Paper Recycling Bag, Glass Recycling Bin and Blue Box.
- 2 On your scheduled collection day, place at the curbside **before 7:30 a.m.** but no earlier than 8:00 p.m. the night before.

Please use this guide for information on what items go in your Blue Box curbside recycling programs. For more information on recycling visit richmond.ca/recycle.



NO PLASTIC BAGS

Plastic bags are not accepted in the Blue Box program. Please recycle them at the Richmond Recycling Depot.



Blue Box



✓ ACCEPTED

- ✓ Aluminium foil & containers
- ✓ Aluminium/tin cans & lids
- ✓ Empty non-hazardous aerosol cans & caps
- ✓ Microwavable bowls, cups & lids
- ✓ Paper cartons & tubs
- ✓ Paper & plastic drink cups & lids
- ✓ Plastic bottles & caps
- ✓ Plastic containers, trays & caps
- ✓ Plastic jars, tubs & lids
- ✓ Plastic garden pots & trays
- ✓ Spiral wound paper cans & lids

✗ NOT ACCEPTED

- ✗ Aerosol cans with hazardous materials (spray paint)*
- ✗ Butane cylinders*
- ✗ Ceramic plant pots
- ✗ Compostable/biodegradable plastic bags & containers
- ✗ Containers for motor oil or vehicle lubricant*
- ✗ Foil-lined cardboard lids from take-out containers
- ✗ Garden hoses
- ✗ Plastic bags & overwrap*
- ✗ Plastic string or rope
- ✗ Polystyrene foam (e.g. Styrofoam)*
- ✗ Propane tanks*

HOW TO RECYCLE CORRECTLY:



- Empty, rinse and flatten containers. Remove lids and recycle separately.

- Do not put recyclables into plastic bags. Bagged items will go in the garbage.
- Avoid stacking or nestling items of different materials together, instead place them separately in the bins.
- Separate glass jars/bottles and recycle in the Glass Recycling Bin.



Mixed Paper Recycling Bag



✓ ACCEPTED

- ✓ Catalogues & magazines
- ✓ Cereal boxes
- ✓ Clean pizza boxes
- ✓ Corrugated cardboard (small pieces 30 cm x 30 cm)
- ✓ Envelopes
- ✓ Flattened cardboard boxes
- ✓ Junk mail
- ✓ Newspapers, inserts & flyers
- ✓ Paper bags
- ✓ Paper egg cartons
- ✓ Paper gift wrap & greeting cards
- ✓ Paper take-out containers (clean)
- ✓ Telephone books
- ✓ Shredded paper (in paper bag)
- ✓ Writing & office paper

✗ NOT ACCEPTED

- ✗ Cardboard boxes with wax coating
- ✗ Metallic wrapping paper*
- ✗ Musical greeting cards with batteries
- ✗ Padded envelopes
- ✗ Plastic bags used to cover newspapers/flyers
- ✗ Plastic or foil candy wrappers
- ✗ Ribbons or bows

HOW TO RECYCLE CORRECTLY:



- Cut cardboard into small pieces and flatten boxes to take up less space in the Mixed Paper Recycling Bag and in the collection truck.
- Remove plastic liners/covers and/or any food residue.
- Put shredded paper in a paper bag before placing in the Mixed Paper Recycling Bag to avoid scattering.
- Oversized/excessive amounts of cardboard can be bundled 91 cm x 61 cm x 10 cm (3 ft x 2 ft x 4 in) or dropped off at the Richmond Recycling Depot.

* Take to the Richmond Recycling Depot



Glass Recycling Bin



✓ ACCEPTED

✓ Clear or coloured glass bottles & jars (pickle jars, jam jars, spaghetti sauce jars)

✗ NOT ACCEPTED

- ✗ Broken glass
- ✗ Ceramic products
- ✗ Glasses, dishes, cookware, window glass & mirrors
- ✗ Lids and caps (remove from the glass bottle/jar & place in Blue Box)

HOW TO RECYCLE CORRECTLY:



- Empty and rinse jars and bottles. Make sure no food is left inside because it contaminates the recycling.
- Remove plastic and metal lids and recycle separately in the Blue Box.



GET THE FREE RICHMOND RECYCLING APP!



- Set up weekly reminders for collection.
- Search the Recycling Wizard for how to recycle items.
- Request recycling supplies.
- Opt out of receiving paper calendars.