

KNOX 2022 Recycling and waste

Your guide to recycling and waste in Knox



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 ■ Green fortnightly
 ■ Garbage weekly
 ■ Detox your home event see page 12

Refer to map on back page for your collection day or knox.vic.gov.au

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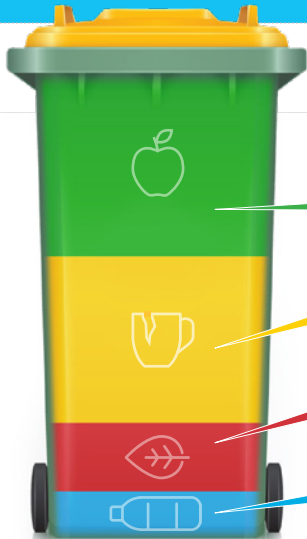
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Did you know?

- Knox Waste trucks empty approximately **5.8 million** bins per year
- Approximately **29,500 tonnes** of waste went to landfill last year
- **41%** of the average Knox waste bin contains food waste
- On average, 13% of Knox's recycling is contaminated with items that do not belong in the recycling bin
- Each week we collect an average of **9.4kg** of general waste and **4.6kg** of recycling per Knox household

Breakdown of content of our general waste bin in Knox:



41% food waste*

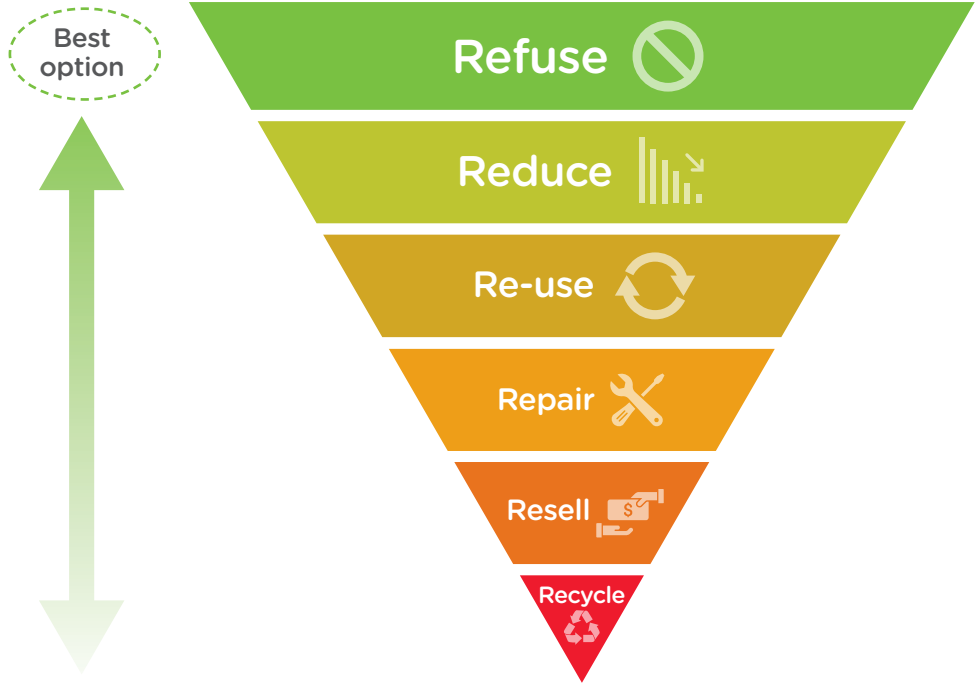
35% general waste

14% garden waste*

10% recyclable materials

* In 2023 we will be introducing a new food and garden waste service

Knox residents are excellent recyclers but there are even more steps you can take to reduce waste:



Decrease your waste

Did you know?



Waste garbage bin – emptied weekly.

Garbage collection will occur on your allocated day, including public holidays.

YES

These items can go into your waste garbage bin



Household garbage



Nappies (wrapped), tissues and paper towel



Polystyrene and coffee cups



Plastic packages, wrappers, food packaging and cling film (or REDcycle at supermarkets)



Window glass, mirrors, Pyrex, ceramics and drinking glasses (wrapped)



Food waste, bones and meat, fish and poultry scraps (bagged)

NO

These items cannot go into your waste garbage bin



No Green waste



No E-waste



No Recyclable products



No Liquids including motor oil, pesticides, paints or solvents



No Syringes, batteries, chemicals or other hazardous waste



No Timber, bricks, rubble, steel, building materials or hot ashes

Our goal is to help reduce household waste going to landfill

Did you know?

- Recycling is not limited to our kerbside recycling bin – How can you reduce your garbage going into landfill? Visit knox.vic.gov.au/reducewaste
- E-Waste is any item with a plug, battery or power cord. E-Waste cannot go in your garbage bin. It can be recycled as part of hard waste or you can take it to the Knox Transfer Station and Recycling Facility.
- You can save money and reduce your garbage going to landfill by swapping your 120 litre bin for an 80 litre bin. Contact Knox City Council to make the swap.
- **Don't overfill or place rubbish beside your bin**
- **Keep bin lid closed at kerbside**
- **Maximum weight is 50kg**





Recycle bin – emptied fortnightly.

Collection will occur on your allocated day, alternating with green waste.

YES

These items can go into your recycle bin



Empty milk and juice cartons



Empty glass bottles and jars



Empty plastic containers and pots



Cardboard packaging, egg cartons and clean pizza boxes (no food)



Empty cans/aerosols (steel/aluminium). Clean aluminium foil, pie trays, metal pots & pans (no glass lids)



Papers, envelopes, junk mail, flyers, brochures, newspapers, magazines & telephone books

NO

These items cannot go into your recycle bin



No Nappies



No E-waste



No Green waste



No Tissues, garbage, bagged recycling, polystyrene or coffee cups



No Syringes, batteries, chemicals, hazardous waste or aerosols (unless empty).



No Bricks, rocks, concrete, soil, rubble or timber



No Clothes, linen or shoes



No Crockery, pyrex, light globes, mirrors, broken glass or drinking glasses (as they will not melt at the glass refinery)



No Waxed cardboard, plastic bags, cling film or wrappings (including those labelled as recyclable, compostable or biodegradable)

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Did you know?

- Always empty bottles and containers before adding to recycling bin
- All recycled items should be loose
- **No plastic bags or soft plastics**
- Max weight 50kg
- Soft plastics that can be scrunched into a ball, can be taken to a REDcycle drop off bin. Visit redcycle.net.au/what-to-redcycle to find out what you can keep out of landfill and where you can take it.
- See page 3 for other ways to reduce your recycling





Green waste services – emptied or collected fortnightly.

Collection will occur on your allocated day, alternating with recycling for all collection options.

YES

These items can go into your garden waste bin or bundled collection



Weeds



Garden prunings



Leaves and bark



Grass clippings



Flowers

NO

These items cannot go into your garden waste bin or bundled collection



No Household rubbish, food, syringes or pet faeces



No Bagged green waste in any type of bag including collapsible style or stand-up bag



No Logs, stumps or tree limbs larger than 10cm in diameter or longer than 30cm



No Plant pots, wire, bricks, rocks, rubble or timber



No Soil or potting mix including soil attached to garden waste



No E-waste

You have several options for your green waste service.



Mobile green waste bin supplied by Council (red lid)

- This service is an optional user pays service
- This bin is the only mobile bin that will be emptied as part of the green waste service. Max. weight 50kg



Bundled collection

- Bundled branches up to 30cm in diameter and 1.5m in length tied with **natural string/twine**. Maximum weight 30kg
- Multiple bundles are permitted



Own container

- Plastic or galvanized bin (max. volume of 55L and weight of 30kg) or rigid box of similar size
- Containers will be returned to nature strip after collection
- Privately owned containers are the owner's responsibility

Our goal is to help reduce green waste going to landfill

Did you know?

- All green waste collected by Council is processed into compost material
- Keeping green waste loose and not squashed down in the bin makes it easier to transfer to the truck
- Keep the lid closed to keep pests out
- Plastic bags contaminate compost produced and should **never** be put in green waste
- In 2023 we will be introducing a new food and garden waste service





Hard waste service – available twice per financial year. Collection must be booked online or through our Customer Service

YES

These items can go out for your hard waste collection



Household furniture



Carpet rolled (max 1.5m)
(limit two rolls)



Metal tools/equipment



Household appliances (fridge doors removed)



Iron, metals, old empty tins
with lids removed



Mattresses or bed bases
(limit two)



Timber (max 10 pieces) and
tree stumps. Max length 1.5m
and 30kg



Crockery and kitchenware items
securely wrapped if prone to
breakage



Sheet glass securely wrapped
and labelled for safety



E-waste items with a plug,
battery or power cord

How to book a collection?

To make an online booking go to knex.vic.gov.au/hardrubbish Or call on 9298 8000

Please note that your hard waste will be collected between Monday and Friday of the week booked.

NO

These items cannot go out for your hard waste collection



No Building, demolition or renovation material including asbestos, gyprock, and cement sheeting



No Syringes, batteries, liquids, chemical or hazardous waste



No Soil or green waste except tree stumps (Max length 1.5m and 30kg)



No Gas bottles, fuel containers or oil



No Gates, fencing, trellis or pallets



No Tyres or car parts of any kind



No Tiles, bricks and concrete



No Household garbage, recyclables or food waste



No Commercial waste

Important hard waste notes

- All items must be out by 6am on the Monday of collection week
- Bookings must be made prior to placement of hard waste
- Place items out no more than 2 days prior to collection week
- Place items in a neat pile and put smaller items out in non-returnable boxes
- If items are not out in time for collection, the booking will be forfeited
- Missed collections must be reported within one week of the allocated collection week
- Eligible households are entitled to two collections per financial year
- For collection size limits go to knox.vic.gov.au/hardrubbish

It is illegal to:

- Put items out without a prior booking
- Dump waste
- Scavenge items for commercial gain
- Add to a neighbour's pile

Fines will apply under Council's Local Laws



Useful Resources – Other local resources are available for waste reduction

Knox Transfer Station and Recycling Facility

251 George Street, Wantirna South
Accepts a variety of waste and recyclable materials in small and large quantities. There is also a recycled goods shop available on site. Please note that fees apply for some items

Hours

Transfer Station

Monday – Saturday 7.30am – 4.30pm
Sunday & Public Holidays 9.00am – 4.30pm

Reuse Shop

For opening times please go to:
www.knoxtransferstation.com.au/our-services/treasure-chest/



Other services and tips on recycling

Information regarding other recycling services and helpful recycling and reuse tips can be found on our website.

knox.vic.gov.au/recycling

Detox your home

A safe, free service to dispose of toxic, unwanted household chemicals run by Sustainability Victoria.

Knox City Council will be holding a Detox Your Home event on Sunday 15 May 2022. Registrations essential.

Sustainability.vic.gov.au/detoxyourhome

Other Transfer Stations

Whitehorse Recycling and Waste Transfer Centre

638 – 648 Burwood Highway, Vermont South
9262 6236

whitehorse.vic.gov.au

Monash Waste Transfer and Recycling Station

380 Ferntree Gully Road, Notting Hill
9518 3767

monash.vic.gov.au

NB: Permanent detox drop-off facility also on site

Don't waste it! Composting options

Knox Council offers residents discounted products that help them reduce household organic food waste.

knox.vic.gov.au/composting

- To purchase products and join the compost community visit compostcommunity.com.au/knox
- For more information see website knox.vic.gov.au/composting



Worm Castle



Hungry Bin



140L Compost Tumbler



EM Bokashi Kit Indoor



240L Compost bin - flat pack



Subpod compost system



Bin Placement Requirements -

To assist in providing a safe and efficient service, please consider the placement of your bins for collection

Bin spacing



minimum 0.5 metre

- Ensure bins are at least 50cm apart
- Place bins with wheels and handles facing away from the kerb



minimum 1 metre

- Allow a minimum of 1 metre clearance from parked cars, trees, light poles or any other obstructions



minimum 1 metre

- Ensure bin lids are closed when presented for collection

Hammerhead and court bowls



- Collection of bins in dead-end streets can be difficult for trucks
- Place bins in the straight section of the street

Time

- Put bins out before 6.00am on collection day
- Return bins to your property within 24 hours
- Missed collections must be reported within 1.5 days of collection day
- **Bins will be collected on all Public Holidays**



A-Z Guide to Waste and Recycling

Use this guide to work out what to do with these items once you have finished with them.

- B** Bokashi Bin
- C** Compost Bin/Worm Farm
- D** Detox Your Home
- G** Garbage Bin (bagged)
- H** Hard Waste Collection
- I** Internet search

- M** Permanent detox drop-off site Monash Transfer Station
- P** recyclingnearyou.com.au
Provided by Planet Ark
- R** Recycling Bin

- S** Contact Customer Service - 9298 8000
- T** Transfer Station
- W** Green Waste Service
- X** Charity/Op Shop/Re-sell
- Z** Local Supermarket

A

- Aerosols (empty) **R**
- Aerosols (not empty) **D**
- Air conditioning unit int./ext. **H**
- Aluminium foil (rolled into tennis ball size) **R**
- Ammonia based cleaners **D**
- Antennas **GH**
- Anti-freeze **D**
- Animal droppings (bagged) **G**
- Asbestos **IS**

B

- Bath ceramic/wrought Iron **H**
- Batteries **MP**
- BBQ **HT**
- Bean Bag- Beans (must be contained) **GH**
- Bikes/Scooters/skateboard **HX**
- Blanket/doona, Bedding **HTX**
- Blinds* **HT**
- Bubble wrap **G**
- Bones **G**
- Books **HRXT**
- Bottles & tops (plastic/metal) **R**
- Boxes (cardboard) **MTR**
- Brake fluid **D**
- Branches **TW**
- Bricks/rubble/concrete **T**
- Broken glass (wrapped in paper) **G**
- Building materials **IT**

F

- Fertiliser **R**
- Fencing/Lattice **D**
- Fire Extinguisher **H**
- Filing cabinet metal/timber **HX**
- Fluorescent tubes/Globes **IM**
- Floor-care products & waxes **D**
- Foam boxes/trays **G**
- Food cans (empty) **R**
- Food waste/scraps **BCG**
- Fridges/Freezers **HT**
- Fuels-petrol,diesel, kerosene, other **D**
- Furniture **XHT**

G

- Garbage, Nappies, excess bagged waste **G**
- Garden tools **HT**
- Garden waste **CTW**
- Gas bottles (BBQ) **T**
- Gates **T**
- Glass sheets (wrap & label) **HT**
- Glues-water & solvent based **D**

H

- Heater - Oil **HT**
- Heater - wall electric or gas/portable **HT**
- Herbicides and weed killers **D**
- Hot water unit **HT**
- Household chemicals **D**

Pet food tins (empty/rinsed) **R**

- Pharmaceuticals & cosmetics **D**
- Picture frames **HX**
- Pillows **HT**
- Pizza boxes (clean, broken) **R**
- Pot plant container (plastic/clean) **R**
- Plasterboard **T**
- Plastic bags **PZ**
- Plastic containers (large) **H**
- Plastic strapping & film **G**
- Plastic wrappers **GZ**
- Plate glass (wrapped) **GH**
- Polystyrene large pieces **GPT**
- Pool chemicals **D**
- Pool pump **HT**
- Pots & Pans **HRX**
- Prams & Pushers **HX**
- Printer/toner cartridges **P**
- PVC/Plastic Pipe **G**
- Pyrex ovenware (broken) **G**

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- Rat Poison **D**
- Rubber **G**

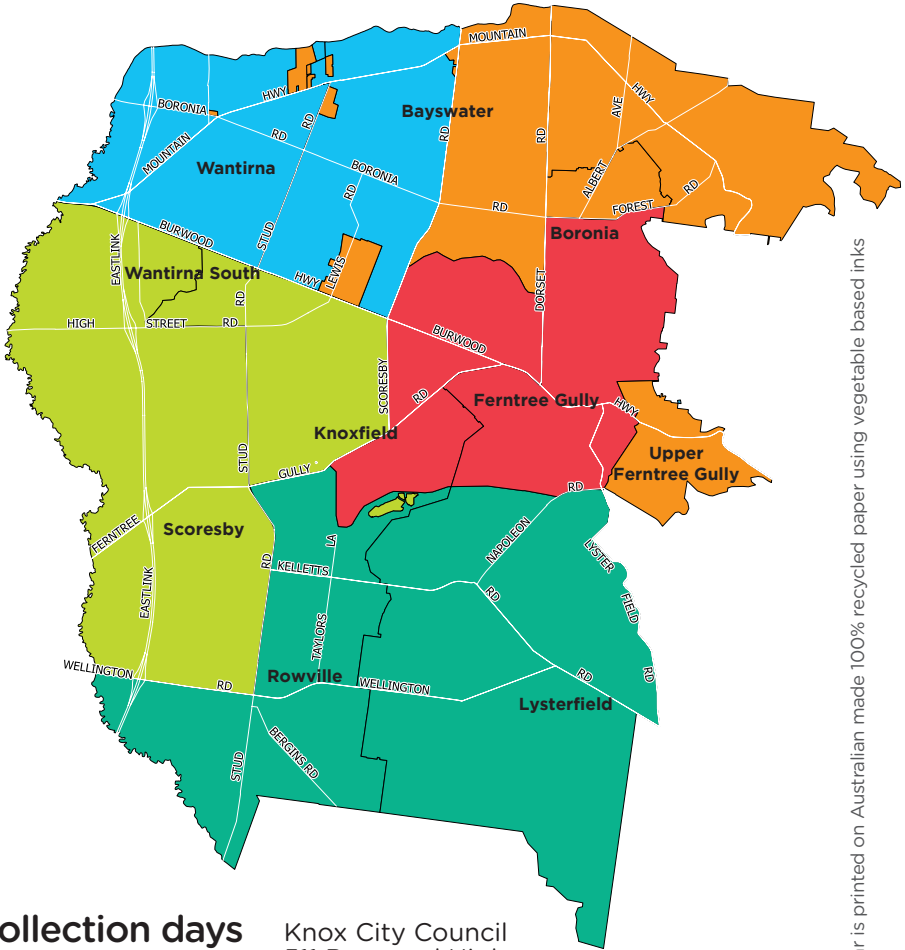
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- Scrap metal **HT**
- Shoes **GHX**
- Shower Screens* **HT**
- Silicon bakeware **G**

C		I		Smoke alarms	HT
Cameras	TX	Insect spray/pesticides	D	Sporting goods	GHX
Car Batteries	M	Irons	HT	Steel (other than cans/tins)	HT
Car parts (metal) small pieces-no engines	IT	Ironing Board	H	Steel cans & tins	R
Car Wax	D	Iron Scrap metal	H	Stoves	HT
Carpet/carpet underlay*	HIT	K		Straws (drinking)	G
CDs/CD/DVD covers	XHGT	Kitty litter (bagged)	G	Styrofoam	GHPT
Ceramics (broken)	G	L		Syringes	S
Ceramics (intact)	X	Ladder timber/metal	H	T	
Chemicals (household)	DI	Laundry sink/ Metal cupboard	H	Takeaway food containers	R
Christmas trees-living (cut-up)	WT	Lawn Mower	H	Takeaway coffee cups	G
Christmas trees-artificial	TH	Light globes (halogen, incandescent)	GM	Tea bags	BCG
Cigarette butts	G	Light globes (LED)	GM	Televisions	HT
Cling film	G	Light fittings	H	Tetra packs	R
Clothing & shoes	HPX	M		Textiles/linen	HTX
Coat hangers (wire/plastic)	G	Margarine tubs	R	Tiles-ceramic roof	T
Computers/monitors	HPT	Mannequins	HT	Timber*	HT
Coolant	D	Mattresses/base*	HT	Toasters	HT
Corrugated iron & Metal	H	Meat scraps	BG	Toilet*	HT
Cooking Oil up to 20L	DM	Meat trays (foam)	G	Tools inc. power tools	HT
Cubby House plastic	H	Meat tray (plastic)	R	Toys	GHTX
Cubby House timber	T	Medicine bottles (empty)	R	Trampoline dismantled	H
Crockery/Glasses	GHX	Metal sheds*	HT	Transmission fluid	D
Cups & saucers (broken)	G	Mirrors (wrap & label)	HX	Tree prunings	TW
Curtains	HX	Mobile phones	PST	Tyres	IT
Curtain Rods, Tracks and brackets	H	N		V	
Cutlery	X	Nappies (disposable)	G	Vacuum cleaner	HT
D		Nails and screws	G	Vacuum cleaner dust	CG
Detergent bottles	RT	Nail polish and remover	D	Vinyl flooring*	HT
Disinfectants	D	Newspaper/magazines	R	W-X	
Disposable nappies (bagged)	G	O		Washing machines	HT
Dishwasher	H	Oil motor 30L or less	MT	Waxed cardboard	G
Dog poo (bagged)	G	Oils (cooking)	DM	Weeds	CW
Doors*	HT	Ovens	HT	Whitegoods	HMT
Dryer/washing machine	HT	P		Window Frames (metal)*	HT
DVDs/CDs/VCR Player	HT	Paint	MT	Window Frames (metal/timber)	T
DVD/CD/Video	GHIT	Paint stripper/thinner/turps	D	Window glass (wrap)	HT
E		Paint tins/drums (dry/empty)	MHST	Wood preservatives & finishes (oil and varnishes)	D
Egg cartons	CR	Pallets	T	X-rays	MPT
Electrical appliances	HT				
Engine oil 30L or less	M				

*Limits apply for hard waste collection (refer to page 10)

Your waste collection day guide



Knox collection days

- Monday
- Tuesday
- Wednesday
- Thursday
- Friday

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Note: This calendar is printed on Australian made 100% recycled paper using vegetable based inks

Refer to the calendar on page 1 for your recycling or green waste collection week.

