

RECYCLING AND WASTE

What goes in your green bin or bag?

✓ YES PLEASE

✓ clean it ✓ empty it ✗ don't bag it



Cans and tins



Foil (e.g. pie cases)



Aerosol cans



Glass bottles and jars



Plastic pots, tubs, trays



Plastic bottles

✗ NO THANKS

- ✗ Black bin bags or rubbish
- ✗ Carrier bags/cling film
- ✗ Film lids from microwave meals or containers
- ✗ Plastic wrapping (e.g. bread wrapping)
- ✗ Plastic toys
- ✗ Large plastic items (e.g. buckets)
- ✗ Light bulbs
- ✗ Nappies
- ✗ Drinking glasses, flat glass or glass dishes
- ✗ Polystyrene
- ✗ Mirrors, Pyrex, plates/crockery
- ✗ Pet food pouches
- ✗ Batteries
- ✗ Car parts or batteries
- ✗ Crisp packets
- ✗ Cutlery (e.g. knives)
- ✗ Scrap metal
- ✗ Spectacles
- ✗ Clothing or textiles
- ✗ Garden waste

What goes in your green recycling box?

✓ YES PLEASE



Newspaper and magazines



Phone directories, catalogues, paperback books



Junk mail, egg boxes



Cereal boxes, corrugated cardboard birthday/Christmas cards, wrapping paper (without glitter/foil)



Clean pizza boxes (make sure all food is removed)



Juice/milk cartons

All cardboard: large pieces of cardboard should be folded/cut to the approximate size of your recycling box, and placed underneath

✗ NO THANKS

- ✗ Photographs
- ✗ Polystyrene
- ✗ Bubble wrap
- ✗ Wallpaper
- ✗ Shiny foil or glitter wrapping paper, cards or gift tags
- ✗ Hardback books
- ✗ Corrugated cardboard boxes that have not been flattened or broken up
- ✗ Wet or greasy cardboard/paper

To find other recycling options for items that can't be recycled in your kerbside bin/bag/box visit the waste wizard tool at:

www.stroud.gov.uk/wastewizard



THANK YOU!

Last year, households in the **Stroud district** were in the top 14 best recyclers* in England! However, in 2017/18 we were the 6th best... and we think we can do **even better than that**.

Here are a few tips to help us reach the top spot...

1 Always **check before you chuck** – not all plastics are recyclable so use the guide over the page which will show you what can and can't go into your recycling bin or bag

2 Use the online Waste Wizard to find out which household items can be recycled or if they can be given a new life through repair and reuse, and how to do that

3 Put recycling loose into your bin/bag – carrier bags can't be recycled and sometimes get caught up in the machinery

4 Remove film from plastic containers such as microwave food trays (we can't recycle it)

5 Fold, cut or tear large pieces of cardboard to the approximate size of your recycling box then place next to or under the box for collection

6 Batteries and used vapes/e cigarettes can cause fires in recycling trucks so please don't put them in any of your household bins/bags – the Waste Wizard will tell you where to take them for recycling

7 Soft plastic like carrier bags, wrapping and cling film should not be placed in your recycling, we can't sort them from other materials – the Waste Wizard will tell you where to take them for recycling

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To check your collection day and to download your recycling calendar visit:
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