Changes to your Black Bag Household Waste Collections

From 3rd September 2018
What is changing?

From 3rd September 2018:

■ Households will only be able to put out a maximum of 2 black bags of household waste for collection every fortnight.

■ Standard size black bags will need to be used. Extra-large bags such as wheelie bin liners will not be collected.

■ Where additional black bags are put out, they will not be collected and enforcement action may be taken.

■ Over Christmas and New Year the restriction will not apply. Details of this will be advertised closer to the time.

Your collection day will not change.

There will be no restriction to your recycling collections.

Why is it changing?

■ The average number of black bags put out by households is 3 per fortnight.

■ Around 60% of waste in black bags can be recycled.

■ We currently recycle 64% of our waste, but need to reach 70% to meet the Welsh Government’s recycling targets, or the Council may be fined.

WE RECYCLE 64%

LET’S GET TO 70%
What you need to do

What you can recycle

- Newspapers, magazines, card and cardboard
- Plastic bottles, tubs, trays and containers
- Glass jars and bottles
- Cans, tin foil and empty aerosols
- Food and drink cartons

What you can’t recycle

- Nappies
- Wet wipes
- Polystyrene
- General waste

Please put these items in your black bag

Need extra help?

If in your household you have:

- 6 or more residents.
- Nappies or adult hygiene products.
- Other waste that you can’t recycle or limit to 2 bags.

You may apply for an additional bag allowance by calling 01446 721536.

A member of our team will discuss your needs with you and a warden visit may be arranged.
Changes to your Household Waste Recycling Centres (HWRCs)

When visiting the HWRCs you will need to:

1. **Sort recyclable from non-recyclable materials at home** so that when you visit the HWRCs you can place items in the correct skip. This will make your visit quicker and easier.

2. **Open bags that you bring to the HWRCs** to show our team that they do not contain recycling. If they do, you will need to sort them on site or return home to do this.

3. **Bring proof that you live in the Vale of Glamorgan**, for example, your driving licence or utility bill.

Only non-recyclable items will be allowed in the household waste skip.

A wide range of materials can be recycled at the HWRCs including:

- cardboard
- paper
- mixed glass bottles & jars
- household plastic packaging
- hard plastics
- garden waste
- batteries
- small appliances
- large appliances
- fridges & freezers
- cooking oil
- books
- compact discs
- scrap metal
- carpet
- mattresses
- car batteries
- mixed textiles & clothes
- fluorescent tubes
- tvs & monitors

**Contact information:**

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