

TIPS AND TRICKS

- Wrap your leftover meat, poultry or of fish in newspaper or in a bag of paper and avoid liquid. You can freeze the remaining meat and fish and place them in the bin on collection day.
- To keep small animals away: Apply a menthol cream or cough ointment (Vicks) around the lid.
- To avoid odors: regularly sprinkle a little baking soda in the bin and clean it regularly with a little water and white vinegar.
- Let your green residue dry before putting them in the brown rolling bin.

HOW TO USE PROPERLY

THE BROWN ROLLING BIN

- Keep the brown rolling bin in the shade at all times.
- Place a bit of newspaper or cardboard in the bottom of the bin, in case of liquid spill.
- Place residue in the bin directly or in authorized bags.
- Insert or cover residue with layers of newspaper or dry green residue, if desired.
- Keep the lid of the bin closed at all times.
- Empty your brown rolling bin at all collections, even if it is nearly empty, especially during the summer season.
- Clean the tray regularly by rinsing with water and adding vinegar.

THE KITCHEN MINI-BIN

- Place a paper bag, compostable bag, newspaper or paper towels at the bottom of the mini-bin, if desired. This simple gesture will facilitate the transfer of materials to the brown rolling bin since they won't stick to the bottom.
- Avoid pouring liquids in the mini-bin (milk, juice, soup, etc.)
- Regularly transfer the contents of the mini-bin to the brown rolling bin.
- Rinse or wash the mini-bin regularly.



WHY A COLLECTION OF ORGANIC MATTER (BROWN BIN)?

- The Quebec residual waste management policy aims to completely ban organic matter from landfills by 2020.
- The brown bin is complementary to the domestic composting, anything you do not put in the domestic compost can join the brown bin! Bones, meat, poultry, fish, dairy products, tissues and litter of small animals.
- We must continue all our efforts with regards to domestic composting and grasscycling.



THE WASTE THAT POLLUTES THE LEAST IS THE ONE WE DON'T PRODUCE!

BAGS

With a view to reducing at the source, the collection of bulk organic matter, without a bag, is preferred. On the other hand, when you want to use compostable bags for collection, you have to choose the right ones. Indeed, the term biodegradable is not necessarily synonymous with compostable.

In addition to paper bags, you can use compostable plastic bags certified by the *Bureau de normalisation du Québec* (BNQ) to deposit your materials in the brown bin. Keep in mind that the paper bag or the deposit of a newspaper at the bottom of your kitchen container will give you as good results at a lower cost.

Plastic bags are prohibited in brown bins as they create an oxygen barrier, producing methane (powerful greenhouse gases) when decomposing organic matter, in addition to generating foul odors.

Oxo or degradable bags are not compostable. Several terms are used by Oxo bag manufacturers to sell bags as less damaging to the environment such as "Degradable", "100% biodegradable", "natural" or "good for the environment". The Oxo bags found on the market are made of conventional plastic to which an additive has been added. The degradation is activated by the UV rays of the sun, by the heat or a mechanical tool. Bags of this nature found in the collection of organic residues are contaminants that can affect the quality of the compost.

In summary, only paper or compostable bags are accepted in your brown bin.

MUNICIPAL ORGANIC WASTE COLLECTION

(Food and green residues)



PRATICAL GUIDE

To reduce your waste bin contents by up to 50%

FOR MORE INFORMATION

www.lespaysdenhautrecyclent.com

1 855 PDH-RECY or 450 229-8052





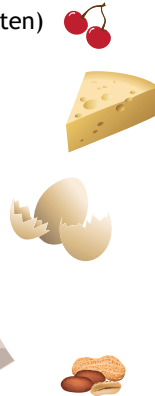
ACCEPTED MATERIALS

IN BULK, PAPER OR COMPOSTABLE BAGS

FOOD RESIDUE

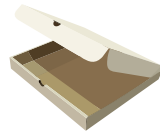
Including fresh, frozen, dried, cooked and prepared foods as well as remaining table scraps

- ✓ Food left-overs (cooked, raw or rotten)
- ✓ Fruits and vegetables
- ✓ Pasta
- ✓ Bread, cereal, flour and sugar
- ✓ Dairy products
- ✓ Treats and candies
- ✓ Coffee (beans, grounds and filters)
- ✓ Crab and lobster shells
- ✓ Egg shells
- ✓ Nut shells
- ✓ Tea bags
- ✓ Meat, fish and bones
- ✓ Pet food



SOILED PAPER AND CARDBOARD

- ✓ Soiled cardboard dishes or cups
- ✓ Soiled food boxes (pizza, etc.)
- ✓ Soiled paper towels
- ✓ Soiled tissue paper



GREEN WASTE

- ✓ Leaves, garden residue: flowers, plants, resin needle, hedge trimmings and weeds (Except exotic and invasive plants)
- ✓ Grass
- ✓ Sawdust, bark, wood shavings, small branches (diameter less than 4 cm, not attached and a maximum length of 30 cm)
- ✓ Indoor plants



OTHER MATERIALS

- ✓ Cold ashes - after 4 weeks
- ✓ Pelleted cat litter balls
- ✓ Small animal litter (rabbits, hamsters)
- ✓ Hair, fur



FORBIDDEN MATERIALS



NO PLASTIC BAGS, BIODEGRADABLE BAG OR OXOBIODEGRADABLE BAG

- ✗ Dangerous domestic waste (oil, paint, pesticides, fertilizer) and tires
- ✗ Recyclable materials: plastics, glass, metal, glass, fibres (except for paper or cardboard used to package food waste)
- ✗ Carpet
- ✗ Medicines, diaper, sanitary products (sanitary pads and sanitary towels)
- ✗ Wax paper, dental floss and chewing gum
- ✗ Dead animals
- ✗ Vacuum cleaner bags and contents, dryer lint and dryer sheets
- ✗ Disposable broom sheets (Swiffer type)
- ✗ Textiles (including clothing with organic fibres)
- ✗ Exotic and invasive plants (giant hogweed, Japanese knotweed, phragmite, purple loosestrife)
- ✗ Rocks, gravel
- ✗ All electronic devices, batteries
- ✗ Construction waste, window, glass and metal

3 EASY RULES

To remember what goes in the brown bin :

- ✓ **IS IT EDIBLE ?**
(or it is a part of something that can be eaten)
- ✓ **IS IT MADE OF PAPER OR CARDBOARD ?**
(dirty, unwaxed)
- ✓ **IS IT A GARDEN RESIDUE ?**
(except branches)

COLLECTION SCHEDULE

Check out the collection schedule or website : www.lespaysdenhautrecyclent.com

MOVING

The rolling bins belong to your Municipality and are linked to the door numbers. When you move, leave the bins for the next resident.

REPAIRS

If your rolling bin is damaged, please contact your Municipality or 450 229-8052 or 1 855 PDH-RECY.

PLACE YOUR BIN PROPRELY

The collection is robotic for all the rolling bins (whatever the color), so it is essential to place them at the edge of the road:

- ✓ Maximum street distance of 1.5 m (4.5 ft)
- ✓ Lid closed, no object on tray
- ✓ Wheels and handles towards your home
- ✓ Approx. 50 cm (18 inches) free around of each of the bins.

