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## Measuring Success (not judging)

To help you become a Green Superhero, **Gold Star** or **OOPS!** stickers may be placed on your Green Bin to let you know how you're doing. We'll be tracking participation as well as how successful residents are in using proper Bin set-out and only placing acceptable materials in the Green Bin. A big "thumbs up" if you receive a Gold Star - it means you're a Green Superhero! *No registration for this program is required.*



**OOPS!** - We noticed something wrong



**Gold Star** - You're a Green Superhero



## GREEN BIN REPAIR/REQUEST PROGRAM

For broken Green Bins, wheels, lids, axles or locks, contact:

- City of Windsor: **Call 311**
- County of Essex: **Call 1-800-563-3377**, or
- **www.ewswa.org**

*\*exceptions apply*

**Important:** The Green Bin is the property of the EWSWA and is to be used only for the Green Bin program. **DO NOT USE** for other collection programs such as garbage, yard waste, etc.

Your Green Bin is registered to your address. If you move, the Green Bin must remain at this address as warranty and repair issues are tracked.

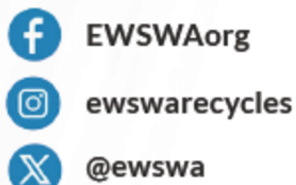


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# "GREEN BIN IT"

## A HOW-TO GUIDE FOR YOUR FOOD WASTE

By putting food waste in the Green Bin, you can reduce your garbage by up to 50%! Your efforts will help create renewable energy and fertilizer for next year's crops, and reduce greenhouse gases that come from landfilling organic materials (food waste).

This "How-To" guide will help you get on your way to becoming a Green Superhero!

*Members of The Green Team*

For your collection schedule: download the Recycle Coach app, check your municipal calendar, or visit **www.ewswa.org**



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# GREEN BIN YOUR FOOD WASTE!

## It's as easy as 1-2-3



## Tips To Get You Started

Use the Green Bin a week before collection begins!

### Set-Up Matters

- Set Kitchen Catcher in a handy spot or repurpose your kitchen garbage
- Consider using a compostable liner to be tidy
- Position Green Bin somewhere convenient for use

### For Easy Daily Use

- Before cooking, set your Kitchen Catcher on the counter
- For fats/oils/grease (FOG), cool in a paper cup to solidify, or freeze until collection
- Empty your Kitchen Catcher regularly
- Clean bins often—your Kitchen Catcher is dishwasher safe
- Keep all lids closed when not in use

**Pro Tip:** Set out for weekly collection even if bin isn't full.



Evangeline

Compostable bags are not all equal. Look for reputable brands and check for expiry dates.

**Tip:** Store them in a cool, dry place.

Stay green all year!  
Visit [www.ewswa.org](http://www.ewswa.org)  
for seasonal tips.



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## What's In Your Green Bin Kit?

- ➡ 120L Green Bin - made in Canada (Be sure to write your address in the space provided)
- ➡ 7L Kitchen Catcher
- ➡ A sample compostable bag
- ➡ This How-To Guide and more

**Missing something?** Contact the EWSWA at 1-800-563-3377



Granny

## Special Green Bin "Gravity Lock"

Click lid to lock it. Turn key to open it.

- This **Gravity Lock** opens lid automatically when tipped by the collection truck
- When closing the lid, listen for the "click" to confirm that it's properly shut and locked
- To open, turn key to the right



**Do not try to remove or cut off the attached key - it's part of the lock design!**

# Green Bin Program

## Acceptable Materials

YES - the materials below can go in your Green Bin.

### FOOD WASTE

COOKED / RAW / BONES / SHELLS / PEELS / RINDS



### OTHER ORGANICS

FOOD-SOILED PAPER PRODUCTS



### LINERS

(COMPOSTABLE ONLY)



Example of compostable liners. Look for high-quality, reputable brands.

You can use compostable liners with these certification logos to line your Kitchen Catcher and/or Green Bin:



These items are NOT acceptable in the Green Bin.



For a detailed list of acceptable and unacceptable materials, visit [www.ewswa.org](http://www.ewswa.org)

## Green Bin Set-Out Matters!

### Park-Point-Space



- **PARK** the Green Bin about 30cm (1ft) behind the curb
- **POINT** the arrows on the Green Bin to the street
- **SPACE** the Green Bin at least 1 metre apart from other carts, cars, structures, etc.

\* Set-out exceptions may include but are not limited to: roads with street parking, homes with no driveway/space, roads with alternating street parking, one-way streets, etc. For more information, visit [www.ewswa.org](http://www.ewswa.org)