# **GREEN BIN GUIDE** It's as easy as 1-2-3:





Kitchen Catcher is for inside use only. Not for curbside collection.



Set Green Bin out for weekly collection using Park-Point-Space method (see reverse)

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#### You MUST use the EWSWA Green Bin to receive collection!

# **Acceptable Materials**

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

## **FOOD WASTE**

COOKED / RAW / BONES / SHELLS / PEELS / RINDS



Vegetables

Fruits /



Meat / Poultry / Seafood / Bones



Dairy Products / Yogurt / Butter / Cheese



Bread / Cereal / Pasta / Noodles / Rice



Eggs / Eggshells



Baked Goods / Candy



Dry Baking Ingredients / Herbs / Spices



Nuts / Seeds / Lentils / Beans



Coffee Filters / Grounds / Paper Tea Bags



Fats / Oils / Grease (FOG)

### OTHER ORGANICS

FOOD-SOILED PAPER PRODUCTS



Soiled Food Paper Packaging / Pizza Boxes / Paper Egg Cartons / Paper Trays / Wooden Utensils / Toothpicks





House Plants (no pots)



Pet Food



Hair / Pet Hair & Fur

Fats, oils and grease (FOG) should never be poured down the sink/ drain. Instead put these materials into a paper cup and let solidify or freeze prior to placing in the Green Bin.



#### **LINERS** (COMPOSTABLE ONLY)



Example of compostable liner

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.



Yard Waste



Kitty Litter / Pet Waste



Cans / Glass / Styrofoam™ **Plastic Containers** 



**Chemical-Soiled Paper Towels** (bleach or cleaners)



**Stickers** (off fruit/veg)



Cigarettes



**Plastic** Utensils





Diapers / Sanitary Products / Wipes

## **10 TIPS TO REMEMBER**

- **1. Your collection day:** Check your municipal collection calendar for your weekly collection dates, and download Recycle Coach for updates.
- 2. Kitchen Catcher: Cannot be placed at the curb for collection.
- 3. Set-out time: Put your Green Bin out by 6 AM to not miss the truck.
- 4. How to use your Green Bin: Read the guide included in your Green Bin Kit.
- 5. Overfilling: Do not stuff your Green Bin fill loosely and close lid securely.
- 6. Refer to the Acceptable Material List (reverse), and your Green Bin Kit.
- **7. Bags to use:** Only compostable bags can be used as liners in this program.
- **8. Green Bin Repair:** If your EWSWA Green Bin has a broken wheel, lock, etc., please contact the EWSWA to schedule a repair.
- **9.** Collection starts in October: Store your Green Bin safely, and start using it one week before your first collection day.
- **10. Proper Bin set-out:** Use the **Park-Point-Space** method to set-out your Green Bin so that the automated trucks can pick it up safely.



Superhero Evangeline says using your Green Bin can reduce your garbage by up to 50%!



### **GREEN BIN SET-OUT MATTERS!**

It is critical that your Green Bin is set-out properly.

Refer to the image and Park-Point-Space method below.



### **Park-Point-Space Method**

- PARK the Green Bin about 30cm (1ft) from 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 or structures



#### Using A Liner / Bag:

Using a liner in the Kitchen Catcher or Green Bin will keep it tidy. There are two types of liners that are acceptable in the Green Bin:

- Certified Compostable Liner: Look for these symbols (right) when choosing compostable bags. The logo will be on the box, bags or both.
- 2. Paper Liner: Such as newsprint or paper bags.



#### **KEEP IN TOUCH:**

For more information and real time updates:



#### Recycle Coach App

Download the **free** Recycle Coach App for Green Bin delivery updates, collection schedules, and other info.



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