Why it's important to recycle right

Recycling correctly helps reduce waste, save resources and protect the environment. By putting the right items in the right bin, we can prevent contamination and ensure materials are recycled into new products instead of ending up in landfill.

TIPS FOR BETTER RECYCLING

Keep it loose
Don't put your recycled items in a bag, just put them loose in the bin. If it's bagged it will be rejected.

Keep it clean
Clean your tins etc. Recycling loads are sorted by hand at the facility.

Check the number
Recycling symbols on packaging can be confusing. On most plastic containers you will find a symbol, often on the bottom, with a number in the middle. This identifies the type of plastic.

Only plastics with the numbers 1, 2 and 5 are recyclable.

Compostable packaging
This is made from plants and cannot be recycled. Place in your home compost or red lid general rubbish bin, but not your FOGO bin.

Container Deposit Scheme in Latrobe City

The Container Deposit Scheme (CDS) takes glass, plastic, cans, and carton drink containers that carry the 10c refund mark. Leave lids on and don't squash them.

Take them to a refund point and get rewarded for recycling.

10¢

Check for the 10c mark



LOCATIONS IN LATROBE CITY

Astron Tyers
80 Main Road, Tyers

Bottlemart Moe
8 Saviges Road, Moe

CDS Vic Depot Moe
40 Bell Street, Moe

CDS Vic Depot Morwell
547 Princes Drive, Morwell

CDS Vic Depot Traralgon East
58–60 Eastern Road, Traralgon

Churchill Neighbourhood Centre
9–11 Phillip Parade, Churchill

Mobil Traralgon
1 Smith Street, Traralgon

Scouts Newborough
126 Torres Street, Newborough

Scan the QR code for more information.

latrobe.vic.gov.au/Waste

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Recycling right matters

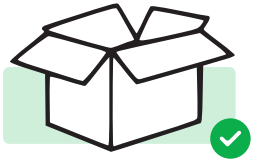
Your guide to getting it right and making it count



THE INS AND OUTS OF RECYCLING

Knowing what belongs in your recycling bin helps reduce contamination and ensures materials can be properly recycled. Use this quick guide to see what goes in and what stays out.

Paper & cardboard



IN

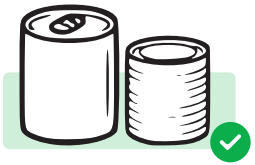
Plain boxes, newspapers, paper bags, toilet rolls, magazines, junk mail, egg cartons, books, pizza boxes (scrape off any food scraps), office paper.

OUT



All takeaway coffee cups, baking paper, long life cartons, used paper towel, shredded paper, receipts, waxed cardboard, frozen food cartons (including ice cream tubs), bamboo containers, cat litter.

Metal



IN

Metal cans and can lids, empty cooking oil tins, scrunched up aluminium foil, aluminum cans, empty aerosol cans, metal jar lids, bottle tops.

OUT



Saucepans, cutlery, stainless steel water bottles, coat hangers, wire, magnets.

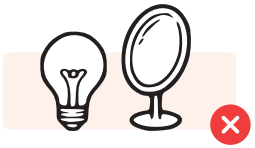
Glass



IN

Bottles and jars for food, drink or medicine only. If you can eat or drink the contents, it's recyclable.

OUT



Cookware, mirrors, drinking glasses, lightbulbs, picture frame glass, nail polish bottles.

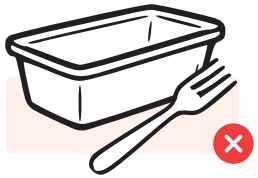
Plastics



IN

Plastics 1, 2 and 5 only, bottles with lids on (including soft drink bottles, juice bottles, plastic sauce bottles, shampoo bottles), plastic jars and lids, food tubs (including yoghurt, butter and ice cream tubs), biscuit trays, plastic takeaway containers and lids.

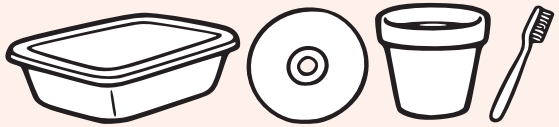
OUT



Meat trays, deli meat trays cordial bottles, plastic plates, plastic bowls, plastic cutlery stirrers, anything labelled compostable, biodegradable or plant based, plastic spray nozzles, pumps from containers.

OTHER PLASTIC ITEMS

OUT



- Reusable plastic containers, including lunch boxes and water drink bottles
- Plastic plant pots
- CDs, bank cards
- Household items, including toothbrushes, toys and coat hangers
- Soft plastics, including bags of all sorts
- Loose plastic lids - put them on the plastic containers or bottles



All plastics bags, including biodegradable and compostable bags go in your general rubbish red lid bin.

UNDERSTANDING THE SYMBOLS

There are many recycling symbols found on packaging. Understanding what they mean can help you recycle correctly. Here's a quick guide to some of the common symbols.



Recycling symbol

You might see this on all sorts of containers. **This does NOT mean it can always be recycled.** It might be recyclable OR just made from recycled materials.

Always check before you recycle.



Plastics identification code

Check the symbol on the bottom of plastic bottles and containers. The number identifies the type of plastic.

Plastics 1, 2 and 5 go in your yellow lid recycling bin.

Plastics 3, 4, 6 and 7 go in your red lid general rubbish bin.



Australasian Recycling Label

Found on food and drink packaging, these symbols show how each part should be disposed of, but it may vary from council to council.



Solid triangle

Mixed recycling yellow lid bin.



White outline triangle

Recyclable in specific ways only. Not for the yellow lid bin. Check Council's website or place in general rubbish.



Rubbish bin symbol

Must go in the general rubbish.



Check locally symbol

This symbol may provide more information. If unsure, check the Latrobe City Council website or use your general rubbish bin.