

A-Z Recycling Guide

A	Reduce	Reuse	Recycle	Disposal
Aerosols/Aerosol cans	Buy roll on's or pump action instead		Blue Bin or Household Recycling Centre	
Aluminium cans			Blue Bin or Household Recycling Centre	
Aluminium foil				Black Bin as there are no facilities for the recycling of aluminium foil in the Borough at present.
Asbestos				DO NOT take these items to your local Household Recycling Centres – please Council for disposal details.
Aluminium foil & Containers		Reuse old foil & containers when cooking or for storage		Black Bin
Ash (cold)			Brown Bin or Home Composter	
Batteries (car)			Household Recycling Centre	
Batteries (Household)	Buy windup or solar powered equipment	Use rechargeable batteries	Household Recycling Centre	
Blankets		Donate to a local charity shop	Community Recycling Point or Household Recycling Centre	
Bicycles		Donate to a local charity shop or donate on the Northern Ireland reuse website www.free2take.net	Household Recycling Centre	
Biscuit Tins		Use to store household items.	Blue Bin or Household Recycling Centre	
Books (softback)	Go to your local library	Donate to a local charity shop	Blue Bin or Household Recycling Centre	
Books (hardback)	Go to your local library	Donate to a local charity shop	Remove hardback and recycle in your blue bin or take to Household Recycling Centre	
Bottles (and jars)		Use as storage containers	Household Recycling Centre	
Bottle tops			Recycled in Blue Bin IF still attached to plastic bottle	
Bricks		Reused as reclaimed brick	Household Recycling Centre	
Brochures	Look up the internet for information.		Blue Bin or Household Recycling Centre	
Bubble wrap		Reused as protective wrapping		Black Bin
Cardboard/cardboard tubes etc		Use in arts & crafts projects	Blue Bin or Household Recycling Centre	
Cardboard drinks cartons (tetrapak)			Household Recycling Centre	
Cards		Use in arts & crafts projects	Blue Bin or Household Recycling Centre	

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Carpet		Donate on the Northern Ireland reuse website www.free2take.net		Black Bin or Household Recycling Centre
Carrier bags	Don't accept plastics bags and use reusable fabric bags or "bags for life"	Reuse your carrier bags when shopping	Recycle at Tesco's Stores	Black Bin
Cartons		Use in arts & crafts projects		Black Bin
Catalogues	Use the internet if possible	Use in arts & crafts projects	Blue Bin or Household Recycling Centre	
CD's and DVD's	Download music from the internet	Donate to a local charity shop or donate on the Northern Ireland reuse website www.free2take.net	Household Recycling Centre	B
Ceramics		Donate to a local charity shop or donate on the Northern Ireland reuse website www.free2take.net		Black Bin or Household Recycling Centre
Christmas tree	Use an artificial tree	Use a "living" tree can be planted in the garden after use	Brown Bin or Household Recycling Centre	
Cling film (plastic wrapping)	Use reusable containers			Black Bin
Clothes	Only buy what you need.	Donate to a local charity shop or donate on the Northern Ireland reuse website www.free2take.net	Community Recycling Point or Household Recycling Centre	
Clothes hangers		Reuse at home	Metal ones can be recycled in the metal skip at Household Recycling Centre	Black Bin
Computers		Donate to a local charity shop or schools or post on the Northern Ireland reuse website www.free2take.net		Black Bin with all monitors to Household Recycling Centre
Cooking oil			Household Recycling Centre	
Corrugated card		Use in arts & crafts projects	Blue Bin or Household Recycling Centre	
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Drinks Cans			Antrim Borough Council can accept this in your blue bin.	
DVD's			Household Recycling Centre	
E				
Egg boxes (cardboard)		Use in arts & crafts projects	Blue Bin or Household Recycling Centre	
Egg boxes (plastic)		Use in arts & crafts projects		Black Bin
Electrical & Electronic Appliances	Buy windup or solar powered equipment	Repair old appliances if possible or donate on the Northern Ireland reuse website www.free2take.net	Household Recycling Centre	

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Engine oil			Household Recycling Centre	
Envelopes	Use email	Place label over old address		Black Bin
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Fire extinguishers				DO NOT take these items to your local Household Recycling Centres – contact maintenance contractor
Fluorescent light tubes			Household Recycling Centre	
Food cans		Can be used in arts & crafts or to store household items	Blue Bin or Household Recycling Centre	
Food Trays (plastic or tin)	Avoid buying ready-made food with excess packaging.			Black Bin
Food waste	Only buy what you need		All cooked and uncooked foods, including vegetable peelings, meat, fish, diary etc can be recycled in your brown bin.	Cooking oil cannot be recycled via the brown bin—recycle at your local Household Recycling Centre.
Fridges and freezers		Repair old appliances if possible or donate to a local charity shop, such as Antrim's Re-source store, t:9446.	Household Recycling Centre	
Fruit	Only buy what you need.		Brown Bin or Home Composter	
Furniture		Donate to a local charity shop, such as Antrim's Re-source store, t:9446 8883, or donate on the Northern Ireland reuse website www.free2take.net		Household Recycling Centre
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Garden tools	Borrow from a friend.	Donate to a local charity shop or donate on the Northern Ireland reuse website www.free2take.net		Household Recycling Centre
Garden waste			Brown Bin or Home Composter	
Gas containers		Return to supplier	DO NOT take these items to your local Household Recycling Centres	
General refuse	See waste prevention section			Black Bin or Household Recycling Centre
Glass Bottles & Jars		Use doorstep milk delivery service	Community Recycling Point or Household Recycling Centre	
Glasses				Black Bin
Glasses (spectacles)		Donate to charity or replace the lens		Black Bin
Grass cuttings			Brown Bin or Home Composter	
Greeting cards		Use in arts & crafts projects	Blue Bin or Household Recycling Centre	

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Hardcore			Household Recycling Centre	
Hazardous waste				Please contact the Council (Tel 028 94463113)
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Ice cream cartons		Use to store household items		Black Bin as Council does not currently have recycling facilities for these type of plastic containers
Inkjet cartridges	Refill old cartridges.	Donate to charity	Household Recycling Centre	
J				
Jiffy bags		Save and reuse.		Black Bin
Junk Mail	Stop junk mail by calling the Mail Preference Service on 08457 034 599 or register online at www.mpsonline.org.uk		Blue Bin or Household Recycling Centre – no envelopes or plastic wrapping	
K				
Kitchen roll	Use cloths for spills and cleaning		Brown Bin or Home Composter	Black Bin
			Take to your local Household Recycling Centre	
L				
Light bulbs	Use energy efficient bulbs			Black Bin
M				
Magazines			Blue Bin or Household Recycling Centre	
Margarine tubs		Use to store household items		Black Bin as Council does not currently have recycling facilities for these type of plastic containers
Medicine		Dispose of old medicines and prescriptions or return to your chemist		Black Bin
Metal			Household Recycling Centre	
Milk bottles		Returned to your milkman.	Community Recycling Point & Household Recycling Centre	
Mobile phones	Refurbish old mobile phones before buying a new	Donate to a local charity shop or donate on the Northern Ireland reuse website www.free2take.net	Household Recycling Centre	

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Monitors		Repair old appliances if possible or donate on the Northern Ireland reuse website www.free2take.net	Household Recycling Centre	
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Newspaper			Blue Bin or Household Recycling Centre	
Napkins	Buy reusable, cloth napkins.		Brown Bin or Home Composter	Black Bin
Nappies	Use cotton nappies			Black Bin
O				
Office paper	Photocopy and print double sided	Use scrap paper for making memos	Blue Bin or Household Recycling Centre	
P				
Paint/paint cans	Reuse and mix old paints to give new colours.	Donate to charities or local schools.	Household Recycling Centre	
Photographs	Use a digital camera and only print the images you want.	Use in arts & crafts projects		Black Bin
Phone directories			Blue Bin or Household Recycling Centre	
Pill containers				Black Bin
Pizza boxes (frozen)			Blue Bin or Household Recycling Centre	
Pizza boxes (take away)				Black Bin
Plant pots		Reuse in garden		Black Bin
Plastic bottles		Use in arts & crafts projects or for children's school lunches	Blue Bin or Household Recycling Centre	
Plastic bottle tops		Use in arts & crafts projects	Recycled in Blue Bin IF still attached to plastic bottle	Black Bin
Plastic bags	Don't accept plastics bags and use reusable fabric bags or "bags for life"	Reuse your carrier bags when shopping	Recycle at Tesco's Stores	Black Bin
Plastic cups	Reusable cups	Use in arts & crafts projects		Black Bin
Plastic Trays	Avoid buying ready-cooked meals or pre-prepared foods.			Black Bin
Plastic wrapping				Black Bin
Postcards		Use in arts & crafts projects	Blue Bin or Household Recycling Centre	
Printer Cartridges	Refill old cartridges.	Donate to charity	Household Recycling Centre	Black Bin

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Rags		Use for cleaning	Community Recycling Points or Household Recycling Centre	
Refuse				Black Bin or Household Recycling Centre
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Shoe boxes		Use in arts & crafts projects	Blue Bin or Household Recycling Centre	
Shoes		Donate to a local charity shop or donate on the Northern Ireland reuse website www.free2take.net	Community Recycling Points or Household Recycling Centre	
Shredded paper			Brown Bin or Home Composter	
Spectacles		Donate to charity or replace the lens		Black Bin
Sweet Tins		Use to store household items	Blue Bin or Household Recycling Centre	
T				
Takeaway containers/boxes		Wash and keep containers for storage		Black Bin
Telephone directories		Use in arts & crafts projects	Blue Bin or Household Recycling Centre	
Televisions		Repair old appliances if possible or donate on the Northern Ireland reuse website www.free2take.net	Household Recycling Centre	
Tetra packs		Use in arts & crafts projects		Black Bin
Textiles		Donate to a local charity shop or donate on the Northern Ireland reuse website www.free2take.net	Community Recycling Points or Household Recycling Centre	
Tissues			Brown Bin or Home Composter	Black Bin
Tools	Borrow or Hire equipment as required	Repair old appliances if possible or donate on the Northern Ireland reuse website www.free2take.net	Household Recycling Centre	
Toys and games		Donate to a local charity shop or donate on the Northern Ireland reuse website www.free2take.net		Black Bin
Tyres	Buy reconditioned or remould tyres.		Return to your local garage for correct disposal	DO NOT take these items to your local Household Recycling Centres
Y				
Yellow pages		Donate to schools during Yellow Woods Challenge	Blue Bin or Household Recycling Centre	

