

# City of Albany Waste Services Guide

Let's work  
together to divert  
60% of our waste  
from landfill by  
2030



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# Let's sort what goes where

**This is your guide to the City of Albany's waste services for households with a kerbside waste collection.**

You'll find information here on how to sort your waste, verge collections, and what you can drop off at Fossicker's Tip Shop.

We can all reduce how much waste we create and sort our rubbish correctly.

Together, we can achieve our goal of diverting 60% of our waste from landfill by 2030.

## Remember!

It is your responsibility to dispose of your waste in a safe and considerate way to protect human and animal health, and prevent contamination of soil and water. Regulations are in place to prevent inappropriate disposal of waste.

## How to check your bin day



Use the City's Community Calendar, delivered to households or available on the City's website.



Use the Waste Collection Map on the City's website.



Download the Recycle Right app and set up bin day reminders in your calendar.

## Putting your bins out for collection

If you need assistance to get your bins to and from the kerbside, please ask about our Assisted Kerbside Bin Service.



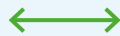
Place bins out by 6am on your collection day



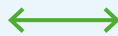
Maximum weight of each bin is 70kg



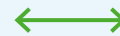
Do not park in front of bins and keep laneways clear



Keep at least **1m clear** from trees and not under tree canopy



Keep at least **0.5m clear** between bins



Keep at least **1m clear** of cars, mailboxes and fences etc.



**Make sure your bin lids are closed!**



**Kerbside bins**

# What can go into your recycling bin?

The items in your recycling bin are sorted, baled and transported to be turned into new products.

## THREE EASY RECYCLING RULES

- Rinsed
- Loose in bin
- Lids off

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- No soft plastics
- No batteries or hazardous waste
- No clothing or rope
- No dirty containers

Excess household recycling can be dropped off for free at Fossicker's Tip Shop at the Hanrahan Road Waste Facility.

### Not sure where things belong?

Scan the QR code on the back of this guide or head to [www.recycleright.wa.gov.au](http://www.recycleright.wa.gov.au) for a full A - Z Guide on what goes in your recycling bin!

### RECYCLE THESE 5

plastic bottles & containers, glass bottles & jars, cans, paper and cardboard.



### PAPER

Newspaper, office paper, magazines

### GLASS BOTTLES AND JARS

Rinsed and lids removed

### CARDBOARD

Flattened



### PLASTIC BOTTLES AND CONTAINERS

Rinsed and lids removed

### CANS

Aluminum and steel

Collected fortnightly

# What can go into your FOGO bin?

The food scraps and garden prunings that go in your FOGO bin are recycled into good quality compost.

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

No plastic bags, food packaging or stickers. These items contaminate the compost.

Excess garden waste only (no food waste) can be taken to Soil Solutions on John Street, Milpara. Fees apply, or you can use your ratepayer Green Waste Pass.

### COMPOSTABLE LINERS ONLY

Look for this symbol:



Residents can pick up a FREE roll of compostable liners every six months from Fossicker's Tip Shop at the Hanrahan Road Waste Facility.

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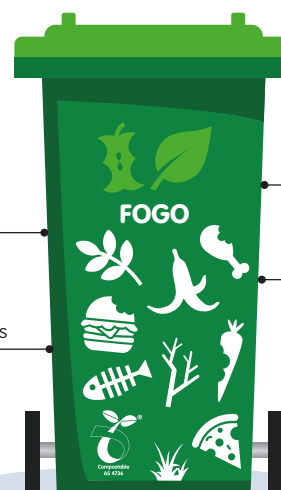


### GARDEN WASTE

Including small branches

### ALL FOOD WASTE

Including meat and bones



USED PAPER PRODUCTS  
Including paper towel, tissues, shredded paper and cardboard (such as pizza boxes)

PET POO

Collected fortnightly  
with additional weekly collection between mid-December and mid-February

# What can go into your general waste bin?

The things in your general waste bin are sent to landfill.

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Do not place batteries, electronic waste, lightglobes, chemicals, paint and flammable items in your bin.

These items are dangerous and can be dropped at Fossicker's Tip Shop instead.

Excess general waste that doesn't fit in your kerbside bin can be taken to Hanrahan Road Waste Facility. Fees apply or you can use your ratepayer Waste Pass.



## Verge collections and bulky waste

The City of Albany offers verge collections for bigger household items and larger garden waste.

### Bulk green waste

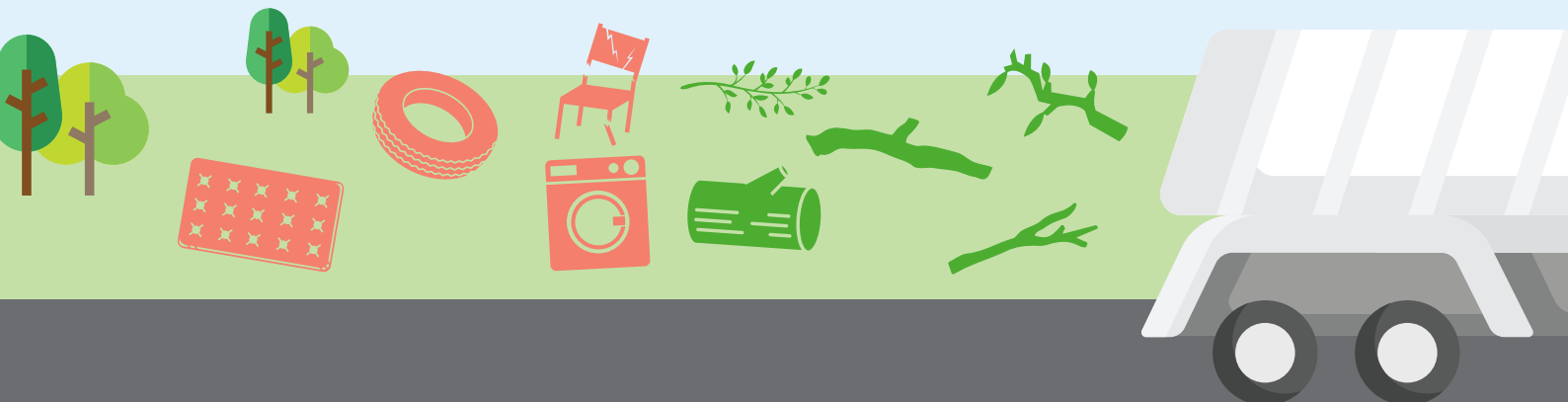
Bulk green waste verge collections are held every year. Check the City of Albany website for details. Garden waste can also be taken to Soil Solutions on John St, Milpara for a fee or by using the green waste pass provided with the annual rates notice.

### Bulk hard waste

Bulk hard waste verge collections are held every second year. Check the City of Albany website for details. Large items can also be taken to the Hanrahan Road Waste Facility for a fee or by using the waste passes provided with the annual rates notice. Note that waste passes are not redeemable for some items, including tyres, mattresses and fridges/freezers.

### Items in good condition?

Items in good condition may be accepted at Fossicker's Tip Shop or local charities, subject to their requirements. You could also try selling or giving away on local buy and sell pages or websites.



General waste and bulk verge collections

# FREE hazardous waste drop off

Household hazardous waste (HHW) includes any unwanted products that are corrosive, flammable, toxic or reactive. They're often things that are harmful to you, your family, your pets or the environment, and should not go in any kerbside bin.

You can drop off household quantities (up to 20l/kg) of these items at Fossicker's Tip Shop at the Hanrahan Road Waste Facility for no charge. These items will be recycled or safely disposed of.

For a full list of HHW items visit

[www.wastenet.net.au/household-hazardous-waste-program.aspx](http://www.wastenet.net.au/household-hazardous-waste-program.aspx)

In addition to these items, Fossicker's Tip Shop also accepts the following for recycling or safe disposal:

- Mobile phones and accessories
- Electronic waste - computers, monitors, TVs, printers, cables
- Ink cartridges
- Needles & syringes
- Household cooking oil

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These things **MUST NOT** go in any of your household bins.



Acids



Aerosol cans



Batteries



Chemicals



Fire extinguishers



Gas bottles



Flammables



Poisons



Smoke alarms



Flares



Paint



Light globes

**Did you know?**  
Lithium batteries cause fires in rubbish trucks and waste facilities! Help keep our facilities and staff safe, and take batteries to a drop off point instead of putting them in your bin.



FOSSICKER'S TIP SHOP:

Sunday, Monday, Wednesday and Friday  
8.30am - 4.15pm

FOSSICKER'S DROP OFF:

Daily from 8.30am - 4.15pm

## HANRAHAN ROAD WASTE FACILITY

CNR HANRAHAN RD & CUMING RD, MT MELVILLE

(08) 6820 3915

### WE ACCEPT & SELL\*:

- FURNITURE AND HOUSEHOLD ITEMS
- HOMEWARES, BOOKS, BRIC-A-BRAC
- SOME ELECTRICAL GOODS
- TOYS, OUTDOOR & GARDEN ITEMS
- DIY AND RENOVATION GOODS

\*subject to operational requirements, please refer to the City's website for further information



# CONTAINERS FOR CHANGE

Containers for Change is WA's state-wide container deposit scheme that lets you cash in eligible containers for 10 cents each. You can also choose to donate your refund to your local sporting club or community group. For more information on eligible containers and local refund points, visit [www.containersforchange.com.au/wa](http://www.containersforchange.com.au/wa)



Hazardous waste & drop off facilities

# Tips to reduce your waste

**If you find your general waste bin is filling up too quickly, here are some tips to help you minimise what gets thrown away.**

## Make the most of your FOGO bin

Use your lime green-lidded FOGO bin for all food scraps, garden prunings, used tissues and paper towel, dirty cardboard (like pizza boxes), shredded paper and pet poo.

## Recycle as much as you can

Lots of items end up in landfill that don't need to.

- Use your yellow-lidded recycling bin for these 5 things:



Cans  
Cardboard  
Paper and magazines  
Glass bottles and jars  
Plastic bottles and containers

- Items must be rinsed, lids removed and loose in the bin (not in bags).
- If your recycling bin is full, you can take household quantities of recyclables to Fossicker's Tip Shop any day of the week.
- Take your eligible drink containers to Containers for Change for a refund of 10-cents each. Visit [www.containersforchange.com.au/wa](http://www.containersforchange.com.au/wa) for details.

## Avoid it or swap it out

- Look for package-free or low packaging alternatives when you shop. Fruit, vegetables and other food items can be bought loose and you can take them home in reusable bags. Shop at farmer's markets or buy in bulk to avoid excess packaging.
- If you have young children, try giving modern cloth nappies a go. The City of Albany's Reusable Nappy Incentive offers residents a rebate of 50% (up to \$100 per household) on the purchase of cloth nappies. Visit [www.albany.wa.gov.au/waste](http://www.albany.wa.gov.au/waste) for more details and how to apply.
- Choose reusable options to replace many day-to-day products like coffee cups, water/drink bottles, and wipes. Use reusable containers or beeswax wraps to package school and work lunches instead of using plastic wrap.

## Take to a drop-off point

Some items don't belong in any of your bins.

Refer to the previous page in this guide to see which items can be taken to Fossicker's Tip Shop for free recycling or safe disposal through the Household Hazardous Waste Program.

## Give second hand a go

Your trash could be someone else's treasure.

- Gift unwanted items to friends and family, try selling online or have a garage sale.
- Give old clothing or household items that are still in good condition to second hand or charity shops.
- Before you buy new, see if you can borrow first or look for a second hand option. Take a look at [www.freecycle.org](http://www.freecycle.org) or some of the local Pay It Forward and Buy & Sell groups on Facebook the next time you need to buy something.

## Squish for more space

Big rubbish bags can hide a lot of air and take up more space in your bin. Try using smaller indoor bins and bags and squeeze out as much air as possible when you tie the bag off to put in the bin.

## If you still have too much waste for your bin

If you are doing all you can to reduce your waste but your household still produces more than will fit in your bin, you may need to use another means of waste disposal, such as:

- Take additional waste to the Hanrahan Road Waste Facility – use the waste pass that comes with the annual rates notice or pay per load.
- Use bulk verge collections for big household items (every two years) and garden waste (annually).
- Request collection of additional bins for a fee. Contact the Waste Team on 6820 3000 for details.
- If your additional waste is due to a medical condition contact the Waste Team to discuss options on 6820 3000 or [fogo@albany.wa.gov.au](mailto:fogo@albany.wa.gov.au)
- Investigate collection of additional waste by a commercial provider.
- For one-off occasions, consider asking a friend or neighbour if you can put excess rubbish in their bin. You must have consent of the owner before putting your rubbish in any bin belonging to another resident.

***Remember, it is an offence to put household or commercial rubbish in public place bins or to dump waste. Covert cameras may be in use.***

***Make sure your bin lids are closed to avoid litter escaping into our beautiful environment.***

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**Household bin collection enquiries:**  
**Veolia - 1300 390 984**

Waste enquiries:  
T: 6820 3000  
E: [fossickers@albany.wa.gov.au](mailto:fossickers@albany.wa.gov.au)

Want to know more about waste?  
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