Waste and Recycling Calendar 2018/19

Please place your bins on the kerbside by 6am on collection day.

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The Shire of Augusta Margaret River is continuing to improve the way we manage waste in our region.

Over the past year we have completed a bin audit, increased kerbside collections, implemented waste wise event practices and improved on our recovery rates.

The Waste Feasibility study has commenced and will guide us towards an overall Waste Master Plan.

Our goal is to provide our residents with a sustainable and efficient resource recovery facility that will address the waste management issues relevant to our region.
Changing the culture of waste

The easiest way to reduce your waste footprint is to make small changes that are easy to maintain.

Talk about it
Have a chat with family and friends about your waste and recycling habits and share ideas about wasting less at home.

Watch what you buy
The majority of what we throw away is either packaging or a result of buying too much. At the shops try to only buy what you need and avoid excessive packaging when you can.

Use reuseables
Single use plastic items are difficult to recycle and often end up in our oceans, reserves and the stomachs of wildlife. Use reusable items wherever possible.

Try composting, worm farming or bokashi
This is a really easy way to dispose of your food scraps and in return you’ll be able to give your garden a nutrient rich treat to help your plants thrive.

Recycle everything you can
Once you’ve reduced, reused and composted, recycling is the next best option, make sure you know what goes in the bin so you can maximise the amount you recycle.
## Collection areas

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<td>Margaret River north of Wallcliffe Rd / West of Bussell Hwy and south of Wallcliffe Rd from Karri Loop to Bussell Hwy down to Rosabrook Rd.</td>
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<td>Cowaramup, Parkwater, Gracetown, Prevelly, Gnarabup plus residential properties on Cowaramup Bay Rd, Waddingham Rd and Juniper Rd.</td>
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### Still unsure of your bin day?

Visit the Shire’s website and enter your address into the interactive Shire Maps. Your bin day will be in the right hand details panel.
Using your bins

Bins must have a registered waste or registered recycling sticker on them to be serviced.

Missed collection
If your green lid waste bin has not been emptied please contact the Shire’s waste collection contractor Cleanaway on 08 9726 0811.

If your yellow lid recycling bin has not been emptied please contact the Shire’s recycling collection contractor Suez on 1800 260 033.

To assist us in servicing your bins please:
- Place bins out by 6am on the day of collection
- Place bins near to the kerb with handles facing towards your property
- Place bins at least 50cm apart from each other and 1m from trees or other obstructions to allow access for the waste truck arm
- Do not overfill your bin – the trucks cannot lift bins weighing over 70kg
- Ensure bin lids are closed so your waste does not blow away
- Do not place hot ash, liquids, oil, paint or solvents in your bins as they can damage bins, trucks and the environment
- Return bins to your property as soon as possible
What goes in the recycling bin?

The accepted recyclables list is:

• Glass bottles and jars
• Plastic – no soft or scrunchable plastics
• Metal cans, tins and foil
• Cardboard, magazines and paper (not shredded)

For an A-Z list of recyclable items please see page 14.
Make your recycling count

Place materials loose in the bin
Bagged or boxed recycling will not be sorted and could end up in landfill.

Ensure recyclables are empty
Items don’t need to be sparkling clean but will be rejected by the recycler if they are full or too dirty and could end up in landfill.

Remove lids from containers, bottles and jars
Lids are often made from different materials than the container they are on. When you leave a lid on it degrades the quality of the material and makes it harder to recycle.

Some items don’t belong in the kerbside bins
Light globes and tubes, mobile phones, batteries and ink cartridges can all be recycled if dropped off at a designated recycling location. For further information on where to bring items that don’t belong in the bin go to page 10 of this guide.
Waste and recycling facilities

The Shire’s waste facilities have many services available to help you reduce your waste footprint. Please take the time to separate your items and ensure you are bringing the right items to the right location.

Davis Road Waste Management Facility
Open 7 days a week 8am-4pm

- Household rubbish
- Co-mingled recycling
- Cardboard
- Glass
- Scrap metal
- Green waste
- Waste oil
- Household batteries
- Mobile phones
- Light globes and tubes
- Household hazardous waste
- Asbestos (max 1 cubic metre)
- Mattresses
- Bulk waste (furniture, appliances, etc.)
- Fridges, air conditioners, freezers
- Car batteries
- Tyres
- Domestic and farm animals
Davis Road Tip Shop
Open 7 days a week 8am-4pm
Have a browse through the tip shop and grab yourself a pre-loved bargain. If you have any items suitable for the tip shop, please let the gate attendants know on arrival.

Transfer stations
Cowaramup Bay Road, Cowaramup
Open Saturday 8am-1pm year round
(and Wednesday 8am-1pm from 1 Oct to 30 Apr)

Poole Road, Kudardup
Open Sunday 8am-1pm year round
(and Wednesday 8am-1pm from 1 Oct to 30 Apr)

Items accepted at these transfer stations include:
- Household rubbish
- Co-mingled recycling
- Cardboard
- Glass
- Scrap metal
- Green waste
- Waste oil
- Household batteries
- Mobile phones
- Light globes and tubes

Beck Road, Alexandra Bridge
Open Saturday 8am-1pm

Bessell Road, Rosa Brook
Open Sunday 8am-1pm

Items accepted at these transfer stations include:
- Household rubbish
- Co-mingled recycling
- Household batteries
- Mobile phones
- Light globes and tubes
When it doesn’t go in the bin...

**Batteries (household/drycell)**
Augusta Shire Office, Shire of Augusta Margaret River Civic Administration Centre, Margaret River Library, Margaret River Recreation Centre, all Shire waste and recycling facilities / transfer stations.

**Batteries (car)**
Davis Road Waste Management Facility.

**Books, clothing, furniture, shoes, bric-a-brac**
Sell them on your local buy and sell page, donate them to a charity shop or the Lions or drop them off for no charge at the Davis Road Tip Shop.

**Clean chemical containers**
Chemical containers and drums that have been rinsed clean can be dropped off at Davis Road Waste Management Facility for no charge through the Drum Muster Program.

**Compact fluorescent lamps (CFL) and fluorescent tubes**
All Shire waste and recycling facilities / transfer stations.

**E-waste**
Old computers, televisions, stereos, speakers, phones and peripherals can be dropped off at the Davis Road Waste Management Facility for no charge.

**Gas bottles (empty)**
For LPG refills and disposals, return to your bottle supplier, or drop off at Davis Road Waste Management Facility for no charge.
Medical waste
Medical or biohazardous waste (inc. sharps) should never be put in your domestic waste bin. Please check with your health care provider as to the correct method for disposal.

Mobile phones – all makes and models
Augusta Shire Office, Shire of Augusta Margaret River Civic Administration Centre, Margaret River Library, all Shire waste and recycling facilities.

Old medicines
Contact your Pharmacist to find out where you can dispose of these.

Paint tins (full)
Full paint tins can be dropped off at the Davis Road Waste Management Facility (charges apply). Empty dry paint tins can go in the yellow lid recycling bin.

Printer cartridges
Drop off at Margaret River Library or contact Cartridges 4 Planet Ark 1800 242 473 to find your nearest location.

Tyres (residential)
Drop off at Davis Road Waste Management Facility (charges apply).

Used motor oil
Drop off at Davis Road Waste Management Facility, Cowaramup Bay Road Transfer Station or Poole Road Transfer Station.

When it doesn’t go in the bin
Organic Waste

Feed, Nurture and Grow Your Garden

Approximately 50-60% of our household waste is organic and can therefore be turned into a rich earthy soil mixture for the garden either by composting or worm farming. Organic simply refers to anything that was once living such as food, garden waste and paper.

Compost

Composting is the natural process of breaking down organic waste materials by soil bacteria and fungi to release the nutrients into the soil. Therefore, compost is most beneficial if dug into the existing soil.

The Four Basic Essentials of Composting

1. **Air** – the bacteria are ‘aerobic’ and require air to work. Use some coarse material or turn the compost about every 2 weeks to add oxygen and speed up the process.

2. **Water** – just like us, the bacteria need moisture to survive so keep the compost moist but not wet.

3. **Food** – try to use about two thirds of ‘Brown’ food (high Carbon) and one third ‘Green’ food (high Nitrogen). Brown food includes dry leaves, paper, cardboard, straw and dry prunings. Green food contains moisture such as fruit and vegetable scraps, weeds and grass clippings.

4. **Temperature** – hot compost contains more bacteria and is faster to mature. Cold composting simply takes longer and may still contain pathogens if present. For hot compost, gather materials, build the compost pile and turn every couple of weeks.
**Worm Farm**

Creating your own worm farm at home is another simple way to turn your non-fatty kitchen waste into high quality fertiliser for your garden.

**The Four Basics of Worm Farming:**

1. **Temperature and Bedding** – place your Worm Farm in a cool, shady spot, ideally on legs, and try to keep the temperature around 25°C. Use shredded paper, cardboard or similar to make a soft bed for the worms to populate.

2. **Moisture and Drainage** – worms must be kept moist but not too wet. Drain the liquid off regularly to prevent flooding.

3. **Environment** – worms prefer a pH neutral environment. As the food scraps are broken down the bedding will become more acidic so add a little lime from time to time.

4. **Food and Space** – as a guide 1kg of worms will eat 1kg of scraps every few days. Worms will stop breeding when the capacity of the Worm Farm is reached. When this occurs give some worms to friends to start their own Worm Farm.

Worms will digest most organic waste. It is recommended you avoid the following foods:

- ✗ meat
- ✗ fish
- ✗ fats
- ✗ dairy food
- ✗ citrus
- ✗ onion and garlic
A-Z Recycling

Aerosol cans (empty)
Aluminium cans
Aluminium foil
Beer bottles (caps removed)
Beer cans
Beer cartons
BBQ chicken bags (rinsed)
Books
Bottles (no caps or lids)
Boxes (cardboard)
Buckets (plastic)-
Cans
Cardboard
Cereal boxes and bags (separated)
Coat hangers-
(plastic & metal)
Coffee cups (paper)
Coffee jars and cans
Cooking oil containers (empty)
Cosmetic jars (empty)
Cutlery (metal)
Deodorant containers (empty)
Detergent bottles/boxes
Egg cartons
Envelopes
Food cans
Glass bottles & jars (lids removed)
Greeting cards
Household cleaning chemical containers (empty)
Ice cream containers & lids
Jars
Juice cartons, bottles, containers
Junk mail
Liquid paperboard
Lolly wrappers
Magazines
Meat trays (rinsed) (plastic)
Milk bottles and cartons (lids removed, not silverlined)
Newspaper
Notepads
Paint tins (empty or dried)
Paper (not shredded)
Paper towel roll
Paper bags
Pet food tins (rinsed)
Phone books-
Pizza boxes (empty)
Plant pots (plastic)
Plastic containers
Plastic
Sauce bottles (rinsed)
Seedling containers
Spirit bottles (caps removed)
Steel cans
Take-away containers (plastic)
Telephone books
Tin cans
Toilet paper rolls
UHT cartons
Wine bottles (caps removed)
Wrapping paper
Yoghurt containers
Green Waste and Free Mulch
The Shire is now accepting up to 1m³ of green waste and giving back mulch for free!

In order to reduce waste to landfill residents are encouraged to separate garden waste (green waste) from their household rubbish so that we can turn it into mulch. Mulch can be collected from the Davis Road Waste Management Facility for no charge Monday to Friday.

Green waste in excess of 1m³ will be charged at a rate of $7 per m³ and should be dropped off at the Davis Road Waste Management Facility.

Smaller loads to a maximum of two m³ can be disposed of at the manned transfer stations at Cowaramup Bay Road, Cowaramup and Poole Road, Kudardup.

All green waste must be free from any contamination otherwise general waste disposal charges will apply.

Bulk Waste Tip Pass

1 x Bulk Waste Tip Pass to be used for the disposal of large household items at the Davis Road Waste Management Facility only. Please separate any items which are suitable for the tip shop or salvage.

To validate simply detach from the waste guide and submit to the gate attendant at the Davis Road Waste Management Facility. This pass is valid for one use only, multiple entries on a single pass are not permitted.

Items not accepted with this pass are as follows and will be charged at the current rate:
• General household rubbish (i.e. kitchen waste)
• Tyres
• Asbestos
• Hazardous waste

Please keep this pass in a safe place as replacement passes will not be issued.
The pass is valid for one bulk waste drop off. Pass is accepted at the Davis Road Waste Management Facility only, and must be handed to the gate attendant on entry.