

## Items that CAN be recycled in your orange bags and communal recycling bins

- ✓ **paper**
- ✓ **wrapping paper**
- ✓ **newspapers and magazines**
- ✓ **catalogues and directories**
- ✓ **leaflets and junk mail**
- ✓ **paper bags**
- ✓ **envelopes** (including window envelopes)
- ✓ **diaries and calendars** (paper pages only, hardback covers should go in the bin)
- ✓ **books** (paper pages only, hardback covers should go in the bin)
- ✓ **cardboard**
- ✓ **greetings cards**
- ✓ **kitchen roll tubes etc.**
- ✓ **cardboard food packaging** e.g. cereal boxes; ready meal sleeves etc.
- ✓ **glass bottles**
- ✓ **glass jars**
- ✓ **drink and food cartons** e.g. Tetra Pak
- ✓ **plastic bottle tops**
- ✓ **plastic food containers**
- ✓ **yoghurt pots lids** (foil only - not the shiny paper lids)
- ✓ **tin foil**
- ✓ **foil trays and cases**
- ✓ **tins and cans**
- ✓ **chocolate and biscuit tins**
- ✓ **plastic and cardboard packaging** (excluding polystyrene)

**Please remember all items must be clean.  
No food waste will be accepted.**

## Items which CANNOT be recycled in the orange bags and communal recycling bins.

- × cooking oil
- × batteries (household & car)\*
- × spectacles
- × jiffy bags
- × CDs/DVDs\*
- × video tapes\*
- × tinsel/baubles
- × plastic/shiny wrapping paper
- × bows & ribbons
- × Christmas decorations
- × Christmas trees\*
- × cracker novelties
- × corks
- × balloons/streamers
- × hard plastics e.g. plastic boxes; draws; bins etc.
- × old plastic toys\*
- × cuddly/stuffed toys
- × saucepans\*
- × coat hangers
- × mirrors
- × twist ties
- × broken glass
- × crockery
- × firework cases
- × polystyrene/styrofoam
- × wreaths
- × food waste/peelings
- × plants/flowers
- × garden waste
- × clothing\*
- × shoes/boots/slippers\*
- × cushions
- × nappies
- × pet bedding (wood shavings, straw)
- × paint\*
- × wood\*, wood flooring\*
- × building waste
- × carpet
- × tiles\*
- × wallpaper, tissue or crepe paper
- × bubble wrap
- × sweet wrappers and crisp packets
- × electric sockets
- × toothpaste tubes
- × electrical wire\*
- × string/cord
- × electrical and electronic items e.g. electric toothbrush; toaster; kettle; hairdryer; straighteners; power tools etc.\*
- × general waste e.g. cigarette ends
- × knives

Please note that any items marked with \* cannot be recycled in the orange bags or communal bins but they can be recycled at either of our two Household Waste Recycling Centres located at:

1) Freemans Common, Islington Street 2) Gypsum Close

Biffa is responsible for the collection, treatment and disposal of all of Leicester's waste and recycling and works to ensure it is dealt with in an environmentally responsible manner.

The global export markets for materials separated for recycling including plastics, paper, and glass etc are subject to change.

To ensure the best environmental outcome possible, if a suitable market cannot be identified by Biffa, some materials may not be sent for recycling until such time that a reliable market can be established. The next best option is to send these materials to Energy from Waste plants where they are used to create electricity for the national grid.