



# A #BETTERBC STARTS WITH ALL OF US.

Team BC keeps about 200,000 tonnes of packaging and paper out of landfills and the environment every year. But it isn't time for a victory lap yet, because we still have a lot of work to do together.

To win the fight against waste, we need to make sure that we are recycling more and recycling right. Let's show em' what we can do!

## PLASTIC PACKAGING



Did you know? 94% of BC residents think we should reduce and recycle plastic packaging, but only 43% of plastics are actually set out for collection or taken to a depot. Let's turn our good intentions into action!

You can make a difference by joining in – put hard plastic packaging in your blue box and take flexible plastics (like plastic bags, zipper-lock pouches and crinkly wrappers and bags) to a depot or London Drugs store.

## DEPOT



More and more BC residents are taking their flexible plastics and foam packaging to depots instead of letting them end up in landfills, our communities or nature.

You can join in and make a difference by bringing these items to a depot or London Drugs store near you. If everyone in BC brought their flexible plastics to the depot we would collect and recycle 389 full-sized swimming pools full of flexible plastics, keeping it out of the landfill. Think of the impact we can have.

## METAL AND FOIL



Did you know that metal and foil packaging can be recycled? Even the aluminum foil from your casserole or turkey dinner can be recycled.

Give it a rinse to get off most of the food residue and recycle it in your blue box!

Did you know that Recycle BC is recycling 94% of all materials that are received? But this only works if we set materials out for collection or return them to the depot. Think of the impact we can all have together.

Use the Recycle BC app to learn what you can recycle and where.

## RECYCLING COLLECTION SCHEDULE

July 2025 - June 2026

Place paper, containers and glass recycling at curb by:



8:00 am

### JULY 2025

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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### AUGUST 2025

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### SEPTEMBER 2025

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### NOVEMBER 2025

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### DECEMBER 2025

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### JANUARY 2026

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### FEBRUARY 2026

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### MARCH 2026

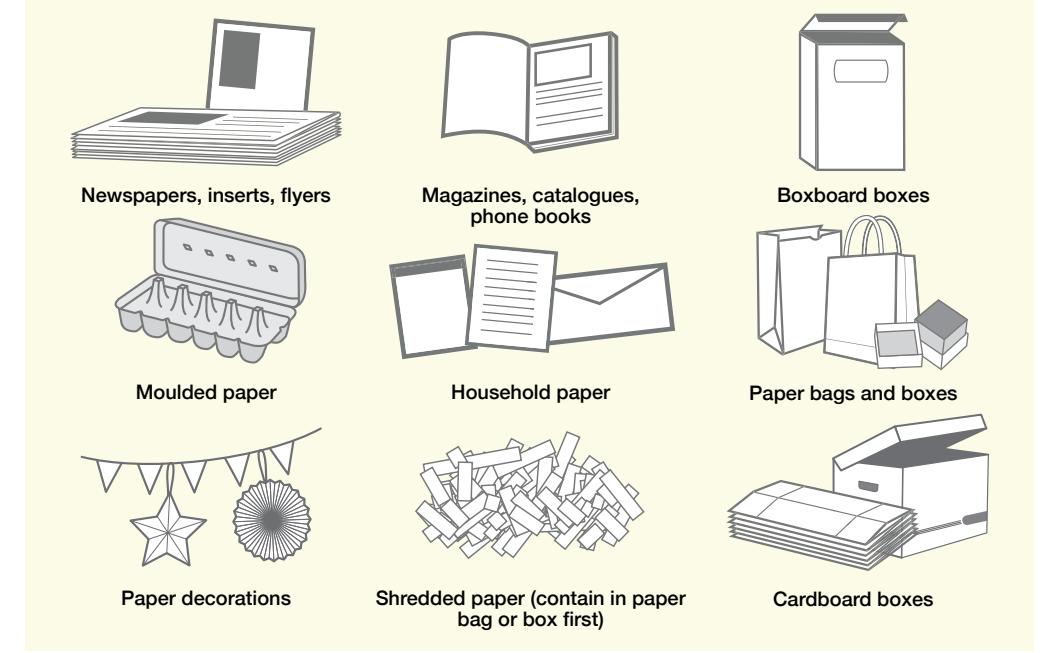
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### APRIL 2026

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### MAY 2026

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✓ Greeting cards  
✓ Paper gift wrap  
✓ Paper gift bags  
✓ Paper carry-out beverage trays  
✓ Cores from paper towel and toilet tissue  
✓ Compressed paper hangers  
✓ Paper-only shipping envelopes



✓ Plastic packaging for toys, toothbrushes, etc.  
✓ Separate plastic from paper backing  
✓ Spiral wound cans and lids for frozen juice concentrate, chips, etc.  
✓ Plastic pails less than 25L for laundry detergent, cat litter, etc.  
✓ Plastic tubs for yogurt, margarine, etc.



### NOT ACCEPTED

Want to recycle something not included here?  
Search Recycle BC's Waste Wizard or download a full material list at RecycleBC.ca.  
To recycle items that are not packaging, packaging-like products, single-use items, or paper, contact the Recycling Council of BC (RCBC) at RCBC.ca.

### Unused Medication

Empty medication containers can be recycled with Recycle BC, but unused or expired medications can be safely disposed by returning them to community pharmacies. For more information or to find the nearest pharmacy, please visit [www.healthsteward.ca](http://www.healthsteward.ca).

### ! NO HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

! Batteries  
! Medical sharps  
! Bleach or aerosol containers with any contents remaining  
! Containers with the words COMBUSTIBLE, FLAMMABLE or VERY FLAMMABLE on them (except cosmetic and beauty product containers)

! Compressed gas cylinders, for example used propane cylinders  
! Containers for paint, motor oil, vehicle lubricants, or antifreeze  
! Containers for pesticides labelled POISON, and precautionary octagon or diamond symbols with skull and cross bones



! NOT ACCEPTED

! Cellophane wrap for floral arrangements, etc.  
! Plastic strapping  
! 6-pack rings  
! Garbage bags  
! Plastic squeeze tubes  
! Plastic-lined paper  
! Paper-lined plastic  
! Blue or pink foam insulation, packing chips and peanuts  
! Squishy or flexible foam, and foam noodles

