

A-Z Guide of Waste at Wingecarribee



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Aerosol Cans	Community Recycling Centre (CRC) OR Yellow Recycling Bin	<p>Aerosol cans (both empty and full) can be dropped off for free at the CRC at the Resource Recovery Centre and then collected by Tox Free, Cleanaway as part of an EPA approved program.</p> <p>Household, empty aerosol cans should be placed in the council provided recycling bin, with the yellow lid, including cans from deodorants, hair spray, cooking oil and whipped cream.</p> <p>Butane aerosol cans, such as those used for camping, should not be put in the kerbside recycling as they are highly flammable. Butane aerosol cans should be taken to the CRC for free at the Resource Recovery Centre.</p>
Agapanthus	Green organics Waste Bin OR Resource Recovery Centre	<p>Although Agapanthus heads are considered an environmental weed, the current composting process used will destroy all plant pathogens and seeds. Agapanthus (including seed heads) can now be placed in general green organics bin or dropped off at the Resource Recovery Centre as green organics waste.</p>
Agvet Chemical Containers	Community Recycling Centre (CRC)	<p>Agvet chemical containers can be dropped off for free at the CRC at the Resource Recovery Centre, which are then collected by DrumMuster. Containers must be triple rinsed prior to disposal, and any containers that have not been properly rinsed will be classified as hazardous waste and not accepted.</p> <p>DrumMuster is a recycling pathway for agricultural and veterinary chemical uses to recycle empty Agvet chemical containers, such as insecticides, herbicides and animal health products.</p> <p>For more information check out DrumMuster</p>

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Aluminium Cans	Return and Earn OR Yellow Recycling Bin	Aluminium cans can be taken to Return and Earn collection points, along with plastic and glass bottles, for a 10c refund on each item, where they will be recycled. Containers should be empty, uncrushed and unbroken. Follow this link to find your closest collection point. And follow this link for more information on the Return and Earn Scheme Aluminium cans can also be placed in the council provided recycling bins, with the yellow lid. Aluminium cans are regularly recycled and are commonly re-used in the production of more aluminium cans.
Aluminium Foil	Yellow Recycling Bin (if requirements met)	Aluminium foil can be placed in the council provided recycling bins, with the yellow lid. It must be clean, scrunched up into a ball and be no smaller than a fist. If aluminium foil is smaller, place in an aluminium can before discarding in the recycling bin. If left unscrunched, it may be mistaken for paper and sorted incorrectly. If foil is soiled with food or soil it should be placed in the general waste bin, with the red lid.
Aluminium trays	Yellow Recycling Bin	Aluminium foil trays, such as pie plates can be placed in the council provided recycling bins, with the yellow lid. Ensure that there is no food or liquid in them before recycling.
Air Conditioners	Resource Recovery Centre	Air conditioners can be brought to the Resource Recovery Centre for a fee. At the Resource Recovery Centre, a contractor will degas the air conditioners, and then they will be loaded into scrap steel for recycling.
Animal Droppings	Red General Waste Bin OR Resource Recovery Centre OR Home Compost	Animal droppings, such as dog poo and cat poo should be disposed of in the red general waste bin. Animal faeces can also be disposed of at the Resource Recovery Centre in the putrescibles bin. There are some options to compost dog poo. See the compost revolution for more information
Asbestos	Resource Recovery Centre	Asbestos can be disposed of at the Resource Recovery Centre; however, it must meet several requirements. See this page for more information.
Ash	Red General Waste Bin	Ashes need to be bagged and placed in the council provided general waste bins, with the red lid. Ash must be cold before disposal, due to risk of fire. Small amount of wood ash, from unpainted and untreated wood, can be added to home composts. This can help maintain pH level.

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Batteries	CRC	<p>Household Batteries can be dropped off for free at the CRC in the Resource Recovery Centre, which are then collected by Tox Free, Cleanaway as part of an EPA approved program. Other alkaline based batteries and NiCad batteries (rechargeable batteries) can also be dropped off for free at the CRC.</p> <p>Lead acid car batteries can be dropped off for free at the CRC in the Resource Recovery Centre, which are then collected by EJM. EJM crush and process the separate components of the batteries. The materials recovered from the recycling process include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acid – used in new batteries • Plastic – shredded and recycled • Lead – sold on to partners for reuse <p>Batteries can also be dropped off at a number of a number of businesses. Aldi offer a free battery recycling service at all Australian stores and accept any brand of AA, AAA, C, D and 9V batteries (both rechargeable and non-rechargeable). Some Officeworks stores also offer battery recycling. More information on what Officeworks accepts can be found here.</p>
Bicycles	Resource Recovery Centre OR Reviva	<p>Bicycles that are in good condition can be donated to the Reviva Centre or Bikes for Life located at the Resource Recovery Centre</p> <p>Have you thought about repairing your bike instead of buying a new one? Wingecarribee Shire Council runs a free bike repair. Follow this link for more information.</p>
Books, newspapers, comics, magazines, pamphlets	Yellow Recycling Bin	Books, newspapers, comics, magazines and pamphlets can be put in the council provided recycling bins, with the yellow lid or can be brought to the CRC for free at the Resource Recovery centre, where this will be processed with the comingled recycling.
Bottles (glass and plastic)	Yellow Recycling Bin OR Container Deposit Scheme/Return and Earn	<p>Bottles, both glass and plastic, can be put in the council provided recycling bins, with the yellow lid. They can also be brought to the CRC for free at the Resource Recovery centre, where this will be processed with the comingled recycling.</p> <p>Both glass and plastic bottles can also be dropped off at designated Return and Earn collection points across NSW where you can claim 10 cent refunds for eligible drink containers. More information on Return and Earn can be found here.</p>

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Bubble Wrap	Community Recycling Centre (CRC) <i>Red General Waste Bin</i>	Clear Bubble wrap can be dropped off at the CRC for free at the Resource Recovery Centre as part of soft plastics collection, which are then collected by The Flagstaff Group. The Flagstaff Group recycle the collected soft plastic into new plastics. For more information visit the Flagstaff Group . Coloured bubble wrap must be placed in the Red General waste Bin.
Cardboard and paper	Community Recycling Centre (CRC) OR Yellow Recycling Bin	Paper and cardboard can be dropped off for free at the CRC in the Resource Recovery Centre if it meets the requirements for clean, dry and unwaxed. It is baled on site at the Resource Recovery Centre and recycled by Visy Recycling. Read more here about Visy Recycling. Waxed cardboard can be brought the CRC for free in the Resource Recovery Centre, where it will be processes with the comingled recycling. Cardboard and paper can also be put in the council provided recycling bins, with the yellow lid. All comingled recycling collected from the kerbside collection system is sent to Suez recycling facilities where it goes through a range of automated processes for screening, decontamination, sorting and baling for material streams. Follow this link for more information.
Car Batteries	Community Recycling Centre (CRC)	Lead acid car batteries can be dropped off for free at the CRC in the Resource Recovery Centre, which are than collected by EJM. EJM crush and process the separate components of the batteries. The materials recovered from the recycling process include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acid – used in new batteries • Plastic – shredded and recycled • Lead – sold on to partners for reuse
CDs, DVDs and VHS tapes	Reviva OR Op Shops OR Officeworks OR Community Recycling Centre (CRC)	CDs, DVDs and VHS tapes that still have content that can be used can be donated to Reviva or local Op Shops/Charity Shops. Officeworks can accept CDs and DVDs through there e-waste recycling scheme. Remember to save and delete any personal data or documents from the discs before recycling them. More information on what Officeworks accepts can be found here . Damaged/broken or end of life items can be dropped off at the CRC for free at the Resource Recovery Centre and will be processed as e-waste.

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Chemicals	Annual Chemical Cleanout Local Store Collection events	Wingecarribee Shire Council hosts the annual EPA Chemical Cleanout event, where you can drop off unwanted household chemicals free of charge, including paint, gas bottles, fire extinguishers, motor oils, smoke detectors. Follow this link for more information on how to dispose of household chemicals safely. Local businesses often hold collection events for unwanted objects. For example, Bunnings holds a regular Paintback collection day where you can recycle paint and paint tins.
Chip Packets	Red General Waste Bin	Chip packets with foil lining can no longer be dropped off at selected Woolworths and Coles Stores. It is advised by NSW EPA that soft plastics are to be placed in your Red General Waste bin.
Clothing	Op Shops OR Community Recycling Centre (CRC)	Unwanted clothing that are in good condition and are not damaged/dirty can be donated to local charities and Op Shops. Damaged/ripped or end of life clothing can be disposed of through the council provide general waste bin, with the red lid.
Coat Hangers	Dry Cleaners OR Op Shops OR Red general waste bin	It is encouraged to reuse coat hangers when possible. Most dry cleaners will take back their own metal coat hangers for reuse or can be donated to local Op shops. Plastic coat hangers cannot be recycled as they can get tangled and damage recycling machinery. Plastic coat hangers should be placed in the Council provided general waste bin, with the red lid.
Coffee cups	Red General Waste Bin	Coffee cups cannot be recycled and should be disposed of in the Council provided general waste bin, with the red lid. Australians consume an estimated 1 billion takeaway hot drink cups each year. Most single-use coffee cups are covered in a light plastic layer to hold the cups form and reduce the impact of heat. This plastic layer is why coffee cups can't be recycled, and if they are put into the council recycling bins, they contaminate the recycling streams. It is recommended to carry a reusable coffee cup or keep cup with you or dine in at your local cafes and restaurants.
Coffee pods/capsules	Red General Waste Bin OR Nespresso Brand Specific Recycling	Coffee pods and capsules cannot be recycled and should be disposed of in the Council provided general waste bin, with the red lid. Nespresso branded aluminium coffee pods can be recycled through their Coffee Capsule Recycling Program. Follow this link to find your closest drop off location.

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Computers and computer accessors	Community recycling centre within the Resource Recovery Centre	Computers, printers and computer accessories can be dropped off for a fee at the CRC at the Resource Recovery Centre, for updated prices see price list for Resource Recovery Centre.
Construction and demolition waste	Resource Recovery Centre	<p>Construction and demolition waste (C&D) can be dropped off at the Resource Recovery Centre, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bricks • Ceramics • Concrete • Cool room walls • Excavated natural material (ENM) • Fibro (with proof of no asbestos) • Glass – sheet and window • Timber and timber products • Villaboard • Virgin excavated natural material (VENM) <p>C&D is classified as Inert Waste. Follow this link for more information on the fees and charges https://www.wsc.nsw.gov.au/fees-charges</p>
Contact Lens	Local Optometrists <i>OR</i> Red General Waste Bin	<p>Some local optometrists will collect contact lenses and cases to be recycled. Moss Vale Optical Centre accepts contact lenses and cases through their partnership recycling program with Terracycle.</p> <p>Contact lenses are commonly made from plastics and should be safely disposed of in the Council provided general waste bin, with the red lid.</p> <p>DO NOT wash contact lenses down the sink or flush them down the toilet. This can lead to plastics being discharged into the ocean and rivers, polluting marine environments.</p>
Cooking oil	CRC	<p>Household cooking oil can be dropped off at the CRC for free at the Resource Recovery Centre which is then collected by Tox Free, Cleanaway as part of an EPA approved program.</p> <p>Commercial quantities of cooking oil can also be dropped at the CRC for free, which is collected by Scanline and recycled. Scanline process and clean the collected cooking oil to be processed into several products, including biodiesel, stockfeed and industrial soap and concrete mixture. Check out Scanline for more information.</p>

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Crockery and Cutlery (Metal and Plastic)	Op Shops OR Red General Waste Bin	Unwanted crockery and metal cutlery that are in good condition and are not damaged/dirty can be donated to local charities and Op Shops for reuse. Metal cutlery can be brought to the Resource Recovery Centre to be processed as metal recycling. Damaged/broken or end of life crockery and cutlery can be disposed of through the Council provided general waste bin, with the red lid. Plastic crockery and cutlery should also be disposed of through the Council's red general waste bin.
Dental Products (toothbrushes, toothpaste tubes, floss)	Red General Waste Bin Or Community Recycling Centre (CRC)	Dental products are not recyclable and should be placed in the Council provided general waste bin, with the red lid. The Community Recycling centre has facilities to recycle toothbrushes, empty toothpastes, and similar items for free under a Teracycle program . We recommend swapping out traditional dental products for more sustainable alternatives. For example, swap a plastic toothbrush for a bamboo toothbrush, swap toothpaste tubes for toothpaste tabs and swap plastic floss for bamboo or vegetable blend floss.
Documents/secure files (shredded)	Home Compost OR Resource Recovery Centre OR Yellow Recycling Bin	Documents and secure files should be shredded. Shredded paper can be great for home composts and worm farms. For a fee secure documents can be brought to the Resource Recovery Centre to be shredded on site. Shredded paper can also be placed in the council provided recycling bin, with the yellow lid, however it must be placed in a paper bag first. This prevents littering in the street if paper falls out and assists in the sorting process.
Dog droppings	Red General Waste Bin Or Home Compost	Animal droppings, such as dog poo and cat poo should be disposed of in the red general waste bin. Animal faeces can also be disposed of at the Resource Recovery Centre in the putrescibles bin. There are some alternate options to compost animal poo. See the compost revolution for more information.
DVDs and DVD cases	Reviva OR Op Shops OR Office Works	CDs, DVDs and VHS tapes that still have content that can be used can be donated to Reviva or local Op Shops/Charity Shops. Officeworks can accept CDs and DVDs through there e-waste recycling scheme. Remember to save and delete any personal data or documents from the discs before recycling them. More information on what Officeworks accepts can be found here . Damaged/broken or end of life items can be dropped off at the CRC for free at the Resource Recovery Centre and will be processed as e-waste.

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Drink Cans and Bottles	Return and Earn OR Yellow Recycling Bin	<p>Drink cans and bottles (plastic and glass) can be taken to Return and Earn collection points for a 10c refund on each item, where they will be recycled. Containers should be empty, uncrushed and unbroken.</p> <p>Follow this link to find your closest collection point. And follow this link for more information on the Return and Earn Scheme.</p> <p>Drink cans and bottles (plastic and glass) can also be disposed of in the Council provided recycling bin, with the yellow lid. They can also be brought to the CRC for free at the Resource Recovery Centre, where it is processed with the comingled recycling.</p>
Drums/DrumMUSTER	Community Recycling Centre (CRC)	<p>Drums/ Agvet chemical containers can be dropped off at the CRC at the RRC, which are then collected by DrumMuster. Containers must be triple rinsed prior to disposal, and any containers that have not been properly rinsed will be classified as hazardous waste and will be rejected.</p> <p>DrumMuster is a recycling pathway for agricultural and veterinary chemical uses to recycle empty Agvet chemical containers, such as insecticides, herbicides, and animal health products. For more information check out DrumMUSTER</p>
E-waste (computers, printer, Tv's, cables, cords)	Community Recycling Centre (CRC) OR Officeworks	<p>Computers, printers, computer accessories, TV's and cables can be dropped off at the CRC for a fee at the Resource Recovery Centre.</p> <p>Officeworks also accepts some e-waste, such as mobile phone, CDs and DVDs through there e-waste recycling scheme. Remember to save and delete any personal data or documents before recycling them. More information on what Officeworks accepts can be found here.</p>
Electrical Appliances	Reviva OR Op Shops OR Resource Recovery Centre OR Red General Waste Bin	<p>Unwanted electrical appliances that are in good condition and are not damaged/dirty can be donated to local charities and Op shops for reuse.</p> <p>Damaged/broken or end of life appliances can be brought to the Resource Recovery Centre for free and will be distributed for recycling.</p> <p>As a final option, end of life electrical appliances can also be disposed of through the Council provided general waste bin, with the red lid.</p>
Fabric	Op Shops	<p>Unwanted fabric that is in good condition and is not damaged/dirty can be donated to local charities and Op Shops for reuse (be sure to check with charity first).</p> <p>Old fabric, towels, bedding and other textiles are often appreciated by mechanics who use them as rags.</p>

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Fire Extinguishers	Community Recycling Centre (CRC)	Fire extinguishers can be dropped off at the CRC at the RRC and then collected by Tox Free, Cleanaway as part of an EPA approved program.
Food Scraps	Home Composting OR Red General Waste Bin	Food scraps are great for home composts and worm farms. Compost Revolution is partially rebated by Wingecarribee Shire Council, for more information of home composting products visit compost revolution . If home composting is not an option for you, food scraps should be placed in the council provided general waste bin, with the red lid. Food scraps can also be brought to the Resource Recovery Centre where they will be placed in the putrescibles bin.
Fluoro Globes and Tubes	Community Recycling Centre (CRC)	Fluorescent light globes and tubes can be dropped off for free at the CRC, which are then collected by Tox Free, Cleanaway as part of an EPA approved program. As fluorescent tubes and globes contain mercury, they are crushed by recyclers to separate phosphor powder from the glass. This powder is fed through receiving containers and filtered to capture mercury emissions. The mercury is then separated by distillation and sold for industrial use. The separated metal is also recycled.
Fridges and Freezers	Resource Recovery Centre	Fridges, freezers and air conditioners can be brought to the Resource Recovery Centre to be recycled, for a fee. This is due to the need for them to be degassed. This is important as refrigerant is a very harmful greenhouse gas when it is released into the atmosphere. Other white goods, such as washing machines, dryers and dishwashers can be brought to the Resource Recovery Centre for free. White goods are recycled through metal recycling programs, where they are shredded to recover the metal.
Furniture	Reviva OR Op Shops OR Resource Recovery Centre	Unwanted furniture that is in good condition and is not damaged can be donated to local charities, Op Shops and Reviva for reuse. Damaged/broken or end of life furniture can be brought to the Resource Recovery Centre for disposal. Charges apply.

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Garden waste/ Green Organic Waste	Green Waste Bin <i>OR</i> Resource Recovery Centre	<p>Grass clippings, small branches, twigs, leaves, flowers, and pruning's can be placed in the council provided green waste bin, with the green lid. Larger tree branches and stumps that are thicker than 15cm in diameter and over 60cm in length cannot go in the green waste bin.</p> <p>All green waste, including tree branches and stumps can also be dropped off at the Resource Recovery Centre for a fee.</p> <p>Environmental weeds such as agapanthus heads, fireweed and blackberries can be placed in the green waste bin as the current composting process destroys all plant pathogens and seeds. Follow this link for more information on environment weeds.</p> <p>Green waste is collected and processed by partner organisations. It is shredded and pasteurized to create a soil conditioner or mulch. Soil conditioner can be purchased from the Resource Recovery Centre. Ensure to double check with staff if this is available.</p>
Gas bottles and cylinders	Community Recycling Centre (CRC)	<p>Gas bottles can be dropped off at the CRC at the Resource Recovery Centre for free, which are then collected by Tox Free, Cleanaway as part of an EPA approved program.</p> <p>Gas bottles have residual gas captured that can be reused. Undamaged bottles are retested, restamped, and reused for hire. Gas bottles that are damaged are punctured and recycled as scrap metal.</p>
Glass	Yellow Recycling Bin	<p>Glass bottles and jars can be placed in the council provided recycling bin, with the yellow lid. Ensure that no food or liquid remains. Lids from jars can also be recycled. Glass bottles, jars and glass light bulbs can also be brought to the CRC for free at the Resource Recovery Centre.</p> <p>Drinking glass, mirror glass, glass light globes cannot go in the recycling bin.</p>
Glasses	Lions Recycle for Sight <i>OR</i> Specsavers	<p>Prescription glasses can be recycled through the Lions Recycle for Sight recycling program, where refurbished spectacles are sent overseas to those in need. Follow this link for more information.</p> <p>Glasses can also be dropped off at Specsavers and some participating optometrists (just ask in store if this is available. Follow this link for more information on recycling at Specsavers.</p>

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Hard Plastic	Yellow Recycling Bin	<p>Hard plastics can be placed in the Council provided recycling bins, with the yellow lid. All comingled recycling collected from the kerbside collection system is sent to Suez recycling facilities where it goes through a range of automated processes for screening, decontamination, sorting and bailing for material streams. Follow this link for more information.</p> <p>Recycling plastics can be complicated. Plastic can be made from a variety of different materials and depending on this material and how it is made will contribute to how it can be recycled. The basic idea is if it is hard enough to be unable to poke a hole through with your finger but also flexible enough to be twisted, then it is recyclable.</p> <p>New labels are currently being developed and integrated into packaging to help remove packaging confusion. The Australasian Recycling Label (ARL) is a standardized system across Australia and New Zealand that has been designed by Planet Ark to reduce confusion, education consumers and reduce contamination of recycling streams. So look for this label to help you recycle correctly. Follow this link for more information.</p> <p>What are the numbers?</p> <p>On most plastic bottles, jars, containers, and other packaging there is a symbol with a number in the middle. This is called the Plastics Identification Code. These numbers' identity the type of plastic the item is made from, NOT whether it is recyclable.</p>
Helium balloon gas bottles	Community Recycling Centre (CRC)	Helium balloon gas bottles can be dropped off at the CRC at the Resource Recovery Centre for free, which are then collected by Tox Free, Cleanaway as part of an EPA approved program.
Heaters	Resource Recovery Centre	Heaters can be dropped off at the Resource Recovery Centre. Radiators can be dropped off for free. If oil heaters are drained, they are free, however if undrained, they are chargeable.
Hot Water Units	Resource Recovery Centre	Hot water units and systems can be dropped off at the Resource Recovery Centre for a fee, which will be discarded as scrap metal. Old Boiler heaters often have asbestos lagging and will be treated as hazardous. For these to be disposed of at the Resource Recovery Centre it must meet several requirements. See this page for more information.
Household Batteries	Community Recycling Centre (CRC)	Household Batteries can be dropped off at the CRC for free at the Resource Recovery Centre and then collected by Tox Free, Cleanaway as part of an EPA approved program.

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Household Cleaning Products	Annual Chemical Cleanout	<p>Wingecarribee Shire Council hosts the annual EPA Chemical Cleanout event, where you can drop off unwanted household chemicals free of charge, including paint, gas bottles, fire extinguishers, motor oils, smoke detectors. Follow this link for more information on how to dispose of household chemicals safely.</p> <p>Household cleaning products should not be poured down the drain. Empty packaging can go in the council provided general waste bin, with the red lid or recycling bin, with the yellow lid depending on what the packaging is made from.</p>
Ink Cartridges	Community Recycling Centre (CRC)	<p>Printer/Ink Cartridges can be dropped off at the CRC at the RRC, which are then collected by Planet Ark.</p> <p>Planet Ark recycles these cartridges into new products such as road asphalt additive, garden beds, pens and recycled ink for artists.</p> <p>Printer cartridges can also be dropped off at several local businesses including Officeworks, Australia Post, Harvey Norman, The Good Guys and JB HiFi.</p>
iPhone, iPod, iPad	Community Recycling Centre (CRC) OR Officeworks	<p>Mobile phones and phone accessories can be dropped off at the CRC for free at the Resource Recovery Centre, which are then collected by MobileMuster.</p> <p>MobileMuster recovers and recycles 95% of mobile phones, through a process of disassembly, sorting, shredding, crushing, heating and smelting. The materials recovered from this process include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Glass – re-used to produce new glass or in road base and construction • Aluminium – re-used to create new aluminium products • Lithium batteries – re-used to make new batteries • Plastic – re-used to create new plastic products <p>For more information on how Mobile phones and accessories are recycled follow this link.</p> <p>iPods and iPads can also be dropped off at the CRC at the Resource Recovery Centre where they will be sorted and collected as e-waste. All iPhone products can also be dropped off at several local businesses for recycling, including Officeworks and Harvey Norman and some Optus and Telstra Stores.</p> <p>For iPads and iPods, Apple have a take back program where they will recycle old Apple Products. When returning eligible products, Apple will provide store credit or gift cards. Follow this link for more information.</p>
Laminated Paper	Red General Waste Bin	As laminated paper is covered in a plastic coating, it cannot be recycled. Laminated paper should be placed in the council provided general waste bin, with the red lid.

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Laptops	Officeworks OR Community Recycling Centre (CRC)	Officeworks can accept laptops and computers through there e-waste recycling scheme. Remember to save and delete any personal data or documents from the device before recycling them. More information on what Officeworks accepts can be found here . Flat Screen TVs and Computers, printers and computer accessories can be dropped off at the CRC for a fee at the Resource Recovery Centre.
Lids	Red General Waste Bin OR Yellow Recycling Bin	Lids from plastic drink bottles, milk bottles, wine bottles, beers bottles and soft drinks CANNOT be recycled and should be placed in the council provided general waste bin, with the red lid. This is due to size, as small items cannot be sorted by the recycling machinery. Lids larger than a credit card, such as milo lids, pasta sauce lids and peanut butter lids, can be placed in the council provided recycling bin, with the yellow lid. These lids must be separated from the bottle or container. Disposable coffee cup lids are NOT recyclable and should be placed in the council provided general waste bin, with the red lid.
Light bulbs/globes	Red General Waste Bin Or Community Recycling Centre (CRC)	Incandescent, LED and halogen light globes and bulbs can be placed in the council provided general waste bin, with the red lid. For safety it is recommended to wrap in newspaper or some form of packaging before disposal. Incandescent, LED and halogen bulbs can also be dropped off at the CRC for free at the Resource Recovery Centre. Fluorescent tubes and globes cannot be placed in the council provided bins due to the presence of mercury. They should be dropped off for free at the CRC, which are then collected by Tox Free, Cleanaway as part of an EPA approved program. As fluorescent tubes and globes contain mercury, they are crushed by recyclers to separate phosphor powder from the glass. This powder is fed through receiving containers and filtered to capture mercury emissions. The mercury is then separated by distillation and sold for industrial use. The separated metal is also recycled.
Masks	Red General Waste Bin	Masks, such as P2 masks and surgical masks, are not recyclable and should be placed in the council provided general waste bin, with the red lid. Fabric masks can be re-used ensuring that they are washed on a regular basis.

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Mattresses	Resource Recovery Centre	<p>Mattresses can be brought to the Resource Recovery Centre, including mattresses containing springs or springs only. Fees and charges apply.</p> <p>Up to 75% of all mattress components are recycled, including.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Steel springs – recycled into products such as roof sheeting • Foam – recycled into carpet underlay • Husk – recycled into weed matting and mulch • Timber – recycled into kindling, mulch and animal bedding
Medicine	Local Pharmacies	<p>Discarded medicine that is disposed of incorrectly, such as antibiotics, can have a large impact on naturally occurring bacteria in ecosystems.</p> <p>The safest way to dispose of medicines is through your local pharmacy. All pharmacies accept unused or unwanted medicines and will dispose of medicines correctly through the Return Unwanted Medicines Project. Follow this link for more information.</p>
Metal	Resource Recovery Centre	<p>Metal can be dropped off at the Resource Recovery Centre for free. The product needs to be at least 90% metal, otherwise it will be charged.</p>
Mobile phones and accessories	Community Recycling Centre (CRC) OR Officeworks	<p>Mobile phones that are in good working condition can be donated to the reconnect project. The reconnect project repairs, data wipes and redistributes mobile phones to people in need. Follow this link for more information.</p> <p>Mobile phones and phone accessories in any condition can be dropped off at the CRC for at the Resource Recovery Centre, which are then collected by MobileMuster.</p> <p>MobileMuster recovers and recycles 95% of mobile phones, through a process of disassembly, sorting, shredding, crushing, heating and smelting. The materials recovered from this process include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Glass – re-used to produce new glass or in road base and construction • Aluminium – re-used to create new aluminium products • Lithium batteries – re-used to make new batteries • Plastic – re-used to create new plastic products <p>For more information on how Mobile phones and accessories are recycled follow this link.</p> <p>Mobile phones can also be dropped off at several local businesses for recycling, including Officeworks and Harvey Norman and some Optus and Telstra Stores.</p>
Modems	Community Recycling Centre (CRC)	<p>Modems can be dropped off at the CRC for free at the Resource Recovery Centre, which are then collected as e-waste by Sims Metal.</p>

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Motor Oil	Community Recycling Centre (CRC) (limit 20L per day)	Motor oils can be dropped off at the CRC for free at the Resource Recovery Centre, which are then collected by Nationwide Oil, a division of Tox Free, as part of an EPA approved program.
Nail Polish	Red General Waste Bin	To dispose of nail polish properly, left over nail polish should be poured out onto a piece of scrap paper or newspaper and left to dry. Once the paper is dry, the paper and empty bottle should be placed in the council provided general waste bin, with the red lid. Some types of nail polish can be hazardous and contain toxins so should not be poured down the sink.
Nappies	Red General Waste Bin	Disposable nappies should be placed in the council provided general waste bin, with the red lid. Disposable nappies can also be brought to the Resource Recovery Centre where they will be disposed of in the putrescibles bin. A sustainable alternative is to purchase cloth nappies that can be washed and re-used.
Oil	Community Recycling Centre (CRC)	Motor oils, household cooking oil, decking oil and other oils can be dropped off at the CRC for free at the Resource Recovery Centre and then collected by Tox Free, Cleanaway as part of an EPA approved program. There is a limit of 20L per day. Commercial quantities of cooking oil can also be dropped at the CRC for free, which is collected by Scanline and recycled. Scanline process and clean the collected cooking oil to be processed into several products, including biodiesel, stockfeed and industrial soap and concrete mixture. Check out Scanline for more information.
Paint	Community Recycling Centre (CRC)	Paint cans can be dropped off at the CRC for free at the Resource Recovery Centre with a limit of 20L per day, which are then collected by Tox Free, Cleanaway as part of an EPA approved program. If Paint Back is quoted at the weigh bridge, 100L of paint can be dropped off per day. To assist with volumes, please mix water-based paints and/or oil-based paints together to fill paint tins up, to reduce the number of half full cans being stored prior to collection. Paints collected by Tox Free are mixed with other waste solvents and used as an alternative to fuel in cement kilns. The metal containers are recycled separately. Empty paint cans must also be dropped off at the CRC for free at the Resource Recovery Centre, NOT the metal recycling area, to ensure proper processing

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Paper and Cardboard	Yellow Recycling Bin OR CRC	<p>Paper and cardboard can be dropped off for free at the CRC in the Resource Recovery Centre if it meets the requirements for clean, dry and unwaxed. It is baled on site at the Resource Recovery Centre and recycled by Visy Recycling. For more information on Visy Recycling follow this link.</p> <p>Waxed cardboard can be brought the CRC for free in the Resource Recovery Centre, where it will be processed with the comingled recycling.</p> <p>Cardboard and paper can also be put in the council provided recycling bins, with the yellow lid. All comingled recycling collected from the kerbside collection system is sent to Suez recycling facilities where it goes through a range of automated processes for screening, decontamination, sorting and baling for material streams. Follow this link for more information.</p>
Paper Towel	Red General Waste Bin OR Home Compost	<p>Paper towel is not recyclable as it is made from short fibres that cannot be recycled, like tissues and toilet paper. Paper towel should be placed in the council provided general waste bin, with the red lid.</p> <p>Paper towel can also be placed in home composts and worm farms.</p>
Pens and Markers	Officeworks OR Community Recycling Centre (CRC) - Terracycle OR Red General Waste Bin	<p>Pens and markers can be dropped off at selected Officeworks for recycling. More information on what Officeworks accepts can be found here.</p> <p>Other companies like Terracycle are used in the CRC that can recycle non-electric office supplies including tape desk organisers, card and document files, binders, calendars, labels, pens, markers, staplers, hole punches, dividers, paper cutters, paper clips, staples and binder clips. Follow this link for more information.</p> <p>Pens and markers, as a final option, can be placed in the council provided general waste bin, with the red lid.</p>
Photocopiers and printers	Community Recycling Centre (CRC)	Photocopiers and printers can be dropped off at the CRC for a fee at the Resource Recovery Centre.
Photos	Red General Waste Bin	Due to the chemical coatings used in the photo developing process, photos cannot be recycled. Photos should be placed in the council provided general waste bin, with the red lid. Photos can also be brought to the Resource Recovery Centre where they will be disposed of through the inert waste for a fee.
Plastic Plant Pots	Red General Waste Bin	Plastic plant pots can currently not be recycled and should be placed in the council provided general waste bin, with the red lid. Re-use is an option; however, you should ensure that plant pots are thoroughly washed before re-use to reduce the chance of transfer of diseases.

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Plastic Bottles	Return and Earn <i>OR</i> Yellow Recycling Bin	<p>Drink cans and bottles (plastic and glass) can be taken to Return and Earn collection points for a 10c refund on each item, where they will be recycled. Containers should be empty, uncrushed and unbroken.</p> <p>Follow this link to find your closest collection point. And follow this link for more information on the Return and Earn Scheme.</p> <p>Drink cans and bottles (plastic and glass) can also be disposed of in the Council provided recycling bin, with the yellow lid. All comingled recycling collected from the kerbside collection system is sent to Suez recycling facilities where it goes through a range of automated processes for screening, decontamination, sorting and bailing for material streams. Follow this link for more information.</p>
Plastic Bags	Community Recycling Centre (CRC) – only clear soft plastics <i>Or</i> General Red Waste bin	<p>Clear Soft plastics can be dropped off at the CRC at the RRC, which are then collected by The Flagstaff Group. Soft plastics must be clear and clean, including bubble wrap, shrink wrap, pallet wrap, shopping and product bags and clear plastic bags.</p> <p>The Flagstaff Group recycle the collected soft plastic into new plastics. For more information follow this link.</p> <p>Soft plastics can no longer be dropped off at selected Woolworths and Coles Stores, which were collected by REDcycle. The NSW EPA has advised for soft plastics to be placed in Red General Waste Bin.</p>
Polystyrene	Community Recycling Centre (CRC)	<p>Polystyrene or Styrofoam is a common form of packaging widely used as it is lightweight, low-cost and provides waterproof protection. It is difficult to reuse and expensive to dispose of.</p> <p>There are two types of polystyrene, including polystyrene (PS) and expanded polystyrene (EPS). See the Plastic Identification Code for more information.</p> <p>PS can be dropped off at the Resource Recovery Centre where it will be processed on site through a hot press. This product is then bought by IS Recycling, who resell and reuse the product.</p> <p>EPS, such as bean bag filling, should be disposed of through the council provided general waste bin, with the red lid.</p>
Polyvinyl chloride (PVC)	Red General Waste Bin	PVC is a common plastic used in a broad range of products such as plumbing pipes, flooring, medical supplies. PVC is not recyclable and should be brought to the Resource Recovery Centre for disposal as construction and demolition waste. Charges apply.

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Printer and toner cartridges	Community Recycling Centre (CRC) Or Officeworks/ Australia Post/ Harvey Norman	Printer/Ink Cartridges can be dropped off at the CRC at the RRC for free, which are then collected by Planet Ark. Planet Ark recycles these cartridges into new products such as road asphalt additive, garden beds, pens and recycled ink for artists. Printer cartridges can also be dropped off at several local businesses including Officeworks, Australia Post, Harvey Norman, The Good Guys and JB HiFi.
Razors	Red General Waste Bin	Disposable razors are not recyclable due to a combination of material such as metal and plastic, and the small size. Disposable razors should be placed in the council provided general waste bin, with the red lid.
Reading glasses	Lion's Organisation's Recycle for Sight OR Specsavers	Reading glasses can be recycled through the Lions Recycle for Sight recycling program, where refurbished spectacles are sent overseas to those in need. This also includes prescription sunglasses, but no normal sunglasses Follow this link for more information. Glasses can also be dropped off at Specsavers and some participating optometrists (just ask in store if this is available. Follow this link for more information on recycling at Specsavers.
Rims (from tyres)	Resource Recovery Centre	Rims can be dropped off at the Resource Recovery Centre for free. Rims are free for disposal and will be recycled by Sims Metal. Car, motorcycle and truck tyres without rims can be brought to the Resource Recovery Centre. Tyres with rims will NOT be accepted, but tyres with the rims separated will be accepted. Charges apply . Tyres are collected by Tyre Cycle. Tyre Cycle recycles tyres into recycled products such as granulation feedstock, Tyre Derived Fuel (TDF) and Tyre Derived Aggregate (TDA). Follow this link for more information.
Rocks	Resource Recovery Centre	Rocks, such as large garden rocks can be dropped off at the Resource Recovery Centre for a fee. Rocks will be charged as inert waste.
Sawdust	Home Compost OR Garden and Lawn OR Green Waste Bin Red General Waste Bin	Sawdust, the waste product from untreated woodworking operations, can be placed in home compost or worm farms. Sawdust that is from untreated timber can be placed in the council provided green waste bin, with the green lid. Sawdust from treated timber should be placed in the council provide general waste bin, with the red lid.

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Sharps, needles, syringes	NSW Community Safe Drop off Locations	Sharps, needles and syringes should be secured and disposed in strong plastic containers, through NSW safe locations. Safe drop off locations include public hospitals, participating pharmacies and community sharps disposal bins. Current community drop off points include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Car Park, 62 Elizabeth St, MOSS VALE 2577 • Winifred West Park, Bowral Rd, MITTAGONG 2575
Shoes and socks	Ops Shops OR Community Recycling Centre (CRC)– Clothing item bins	Unwanted shoes that are in good condition and are not damaged can be donated to local charities and Op Shops. The CRC has two large clothing and item bins that accepts a range of items from clothing, fashion accessories, handbags, and shoes. Items are collected by SCR Group and sorted to pathways such as charities, turned into reusable rags, or alternative fuel called biofuel.
Shredded paper	Home Compost OR Yellow Recycling Bin	Shredded paper can be great for home composts and worm farms. Shredded paper can also be placed in the council provided recycling bin, with the yellow lid, however it must be placed in a paper bag first. This prevents littering in the street if paper falls out, and assists in the sorting process. Shredded paper is also accepted at the CRC for free at the Resource Recovery Centre, where it is either baled on site or donated to local community gardens.
Smoke Alarms	Community Recycling Centre (CRC)	Smoke detectors can be dropped off at the CRC for free at the Resource Recovery Centre and then collected by Tox Free, Cleanaway as part of an EPA approved program.
Soft Plastics	Community Recycling Centre (CRC)	Soft plastics can be dropped off at the CRC for free at the Resource Recovery Centre, which are then collected by The Flagstaff Group. Soft plastics must be clear and clean with no tape attached, including bubble wrap, shrink wrap, pallet wrap, shopping and produce bags and clear plastic bags. The Flagstaff Group recycle the collected soft plastic into new plastics. For more information follow this link .

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Spray Cans (non-hazardous)	Community Recycling Centre (CRC)	Spray cans can be dropped off at the CRC for free at the Resource Recovery Centre, which are then collected by Tox Free, Cleanaway as part of an EPA approved program.
Steel and tin	Yellow Recycling Bin	Household quantities of tin should be placed in the council provided recycling bin, with the yellow lid, including drink cans, tuna tins, fruit tins etc. Ensure that there is no food or liquid left in them before recycling. Large amounts of steel and tin can be brought to the Resource Recovery Centre for free, where it will be collected by Sims Metal.
Takeaway food containers	Yellow Recycling Bin	Plastic and cardboard food containers can be placed in the council provided recycling bin, with the yellow lid. Ensure that there is no food left in them. Polystyrene/foam containers should be placed in the council provided general waste bin, with the red lid. It is recommended to re-use takeaway food containers if possible.
Tea bags/leaves	Home Compost Or Red General Waste Bin	Tea bags and tea leaves can be placed in home compost or worm farms. If you do not have a home compost or worm farm, tea bags and tea leaves should be placed in the council provided general waste bin, with the red lid.
Television (TVs)	Reviva OR Op Shops OR Community Recycling Centre (CRC)	Unwanted televisions that are in good condition and are not damaged can be donated to local charities, Op Shops and Reviva for reuse. Damaged/broken or end of life appliances can be brought to the CRC for free at the Resource Recovery Centre, which are collected as e-waste by Sims Metal.
Thermometers	Community Recycling Centre (CRC)	Disposing of thermometers correctly is important, due to the presence of mercury, a highly toxic liquid metal. Wingecarribee Shire Council hosts the annual EPA Chemical Cleanout event, where you can drop off unwanted household chemicals free of charge, including thermometers. Follow this link for more information on how to dispose of household chemicals safely.
Timber	Resource Recovery Centre	Timber should not be placed in the recycling or green waste bin. Timber can be brought to the Resource Recovery Centre. Charges apply. Clean, unpainted, untreated and unoiled timber will be processed with green waste. All other timber will be placed in inert waste and collected by ResourceCo.
Tin Cans	Yellow Recycling Bin	Tin cans can be placed in the council provided recycling bins, with the yellow lid. Ensure tins have no food or liquid left in them.

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Tissues/tissues boxes	Red General Waste Bin OR Yellow Recycling Bin	Tissues should be placed in the council provided general waste bin, with the red lid. Tissue boxes should be placed in the council provided recycling bin, with the yellow lid. Any plastic inserts on tissues boxes do not need to be removed before recycling.
Toner cartridges	Community Recycling Centre (CRC)	Toner/Ink Cartridges can be dropped off at the CRC at the RRC, which are then collected by Planet Ark. Planet Ark recycles these cartridges into new products such as road asphalt additive, garden beds, pens and recycled ink for artists. Toner cartridges can also be dropped off at several local businesses including Officeworks, Australia Post, Harvey Norman, The Good Guys and JB HiFi.
Toys	Op Shops/Charities OR Red General Waste Bin	Unwanted toys that are in good condition and are not broken/damaged/dirty can be donated to local charities and Op Shops. Broken or end of life toys can be disposed of through the council provided general waste bin, with the red lid.
Tree branches and stumps	Green Waste Bin OR Resource Recovery Centre	Small branches, twigs, leaves, flowers and pruning's can be placed in the council provided green waste bin, with the green lid. Larger tree branches and stumps that are thicker than 15cm in diameter and over 60cm in length cannot go in the green waste bin. Tree branches and stumps can also be dropped off at the Resource Recovery Centre for a fee. Tree branches and stumps will be processed on site at the Resource Recovery Centre with other green waste. It will be shredded and sent to be pasteurised to create a soil conditioner or mulch. Soil conditioner can be purchased from the Resource Recovery Centre. Follow this link for more information.
Tupperware containers	Op Shops/Charity Shops OR Red General Waste Bin	Plastic Tupperware containers that are still in good condition and are not broken or damaged can be donated to local charities and Op Shops. Broken or end of life Tupperware containers should be placed in the council provided general waste bin, with the red lid.
Tyres and wheels	Resource Recovery Centre	Tyres and rims can be dropped off at the Resource Recovery Centre. Tyres dropped off must have their rims removed. Tyres with rims will not be accepted. Tyres and rims are collected by Tyre Cycle. Tyre Cycle recycles tyres and rims into recycled products such as granulation feedstock, Tyre Derived Fuel (TDF) and Tyre Derived Aggregate (TDA). Follow this link for more information.

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Vacuum Cleaner Dust	Home Compost OR Red General Waste Bin	Vacuum cleaner dust can be placed in home composts. Through a partnership program, the Council also offers discounts for composting equipment through the Compost Revolution. Follow this link for more information. Vacuum clearer dust can be placed in the council provided general waste bin, with the red lid. However, it must be bagged before disposal.
Video Cameras	Op Shops OR Red General Waste Bin	Unwanted video cameras that are in good condition and are not broken/damaged can be donated to local charities and Op Shops. Damaged/broken or end of life cameras can be brought to the CRC for free at the Resource Recovery Centre, which are collected as e-waste by Sims Metal.
Video Games and Consoles	Op Shops OR Community Recycling Centre (CRC)	Unwanted video games and consoled, including PlayStation, Xbox, and Wii, that are in good condition and are not broken/damaged can be donated to local charities and op shops. Broken or end of life video games and consoles can be dropped off at the CRC for free at the Resource Recovery Centre and will be collected with as e-waste by Sims Metal.
Waxed cardboard	Yellow Recycling Bin	Cardboard that has a light wax coating, such as milk cartons, juice cartons and ice-cream containers, can be put in the council provided recycling bin, with the yellow lid. All comingled recycling collected from the kerbside collection system is sent to Suez recycling facilities where it goes through a range of automated processes for screening, decontamination, sorting and baling for material streams. Follow this link for more information. Thick waxed cardboard boxes, such as those that fruit and vegetable grocers use, should be put in the council provided general waste bin, with the red lid. Thick waxed cardboard is difficult to separate from cardboard and can cause issues when recycling.
Weeds	Green Waste Bin	Weeds can be placed in the council provided green waste bin, with the green lid. Noxious and environmental weeds such as agapanthus heads, fireweed, bamboo and blackberries should not be placed in the green waste bin and should be disposed of through the council provided general waste bin, with the red lid. Noxious weeds can also be brought to the Resource Recovery Centre, separated from other green waste, where it will be disposed of with inert waste. Follow this link for more information on environment weeds. Green waste is shredded on site at the Resource Recovery Centre and sent off site to be pasteurised, to create a soil conditioner or mulch. Soil conditioner can be purchased from the Resource Recovery Centre. Follow this link for more information.

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Whitegoods	Reviva <i>Or</i> Op Shops/Charity Shops <i>OR</i> Resource Recovery Centre	<p>Unwanted white goods that are still in working order can be donated to local charities or Reviva. Be sure to double check that the organisation can accept your item.</p> <p>Broken or end of life white goods can be dropped off at the Resource Recovery Centre. Fridges, freezers and air conditioners can be brought to the Resource Recovery Centre to be recycled, for a fee. This is due to the need for them to be degassed. This is important as refrigerant is a very harmful greenhouse gas when it is released into the atmosphere.</p> <p>Other white goods, such as washing machines, dryers and dishwashers can be brought to the Resource Recovery Centre for free. White goods are collected by metal recycling programs, where they will be shredded to recover metal.</p>
Wood Ash	Home Composting <i>OR</i> Red General Waste Bin	<p>Small amount of wood ash, from unpainted and untreated wood, can be added to home composts. This can help maintain pH level.</p> <p>Large amounts of ashes need to be cooled, bagged, and placed in the council provided general waste bins, with the red lid.</p>
Wrapping Paper	Yellow Recycling Bin	<p>Wrapping paper made from paper can be placed in the council provided recycling bin, with the yellow lid.</p> <p>All commingled recycling collected from the kerbside collection system is sent to Suez recycling facilities where it goes through a range of automated processes for screening, decontamination, sorting and baling for material streams. Follow this link for more information.</p> <p>Cellophane and foil wrapping paper is NOT recyclable and should be placed in the council provide general waste bin, with the red lid.</p>
X-Rays	Community Recycling Centre (CRC)	<p>X-rays can be dropped off at the CRC for free at the Resource Recovery Centre, which are then collected by Siltech.</p> <p>Siltech will then process the X-Rays collected and incinerate them under their EPA license. In this process, heavy metals, such as silver, are extracted, to then be re-used. A glass crystal residue is then leftover which is re-used in manufacturing products.</p>