Your guide to food recycling



For residents using communal bin stores

Welcome to your new food recycling service

Please use your silver kitchen caddy to collect your food waste in, then empty it into the outdoor green food recycling bin, so we can collect it once a week. Liners in communal outdoor food bins are changed by us at the same time as we empty the food recycling, to help keep your bin clean.



Here are the types of food you can recycle and the items you shouldn't put in your caddy.

Yes please













You may wrap your waste food in newspaper

No thank you



No food containers/packaging
No liquids



Tips for reducing and managing your food recycling

Around 25% of rubbish bin content is food waste. This amounts to a staggering 11,000 tonnes a year in Reigate & Banstead alone. Please help reduce this by following a few tips.

- 1. Can you cut the amount of food waste you produce? Visit **www.lovefoodhatewaste.com** and **www.recycleforsurrey.org.uk/love-food-surrey** for ideas on how to reuse food and waste less.
- 2. If you already compost your food waste, please carry on doing so. You can use your new food recycling service to recycle food that isn't suitable for home composting. Visit **www.recycleforsurrey.org.uk/home-composting** for discounted rates on composting bins.
- 3. Wrapping food waste in newspaper or using plastic bags/liners makes managing food waste easier. Your silver kitchen caddy comes with a **complimentary starter pack** of food caddy liners.

Our guide (see over) shows you how to line your kitchen caddy with newspaper.

From Wednesday 1 June 2016 you will be able to use plastic liners or bags in your food waste caddy. Visit the Reigate & Banstead council website for more information on this.

What happens to your food recycling?

The food waste we collect goes to anaerobic digestion plants where the food is recycled to generate electricity and create fertiliser for farmers.



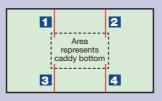


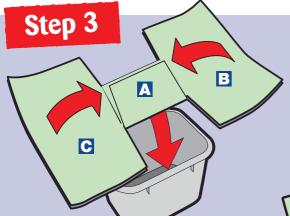
Quick guide to lining your kitchen food recycling caddy

Your can line your food caddy with newspaper and you can also wrap items in newspaper before placing them into your caddy.

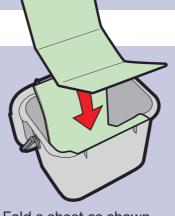


Place the kitchen food recycling caddy onto two sheets of newspaper (or one sheet folded if its broadsheet paper). Cut or tear four lines as shown here in red.





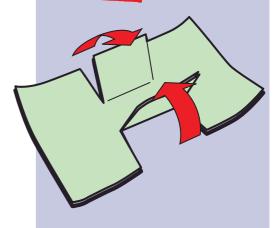
Bring the outer parts B and C inwards and place A down into the bucket. B and C should now be the walls of the liner and A is the bottom.



Fold a sheet as shown here and place inside and tuck the excess inside the food recycling caddy.

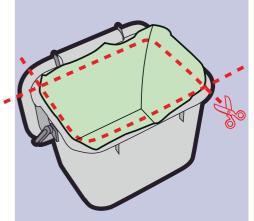


Step 2



Fold the centre parts inwards.





After step 3 your liner may be creased. This is normal. It is a good idea to trim off any excess paper hanging over the edge of the food recycling caddy so the lid is able to close.



Extra step

For extra absorbancy