



LEAF & YARD WASTE (L&YW)

Extra L&YW will ONLY be collected on specific days.
Check your schedule for the L&YW symbol.

✓ ACCEPTABLE ITEMS

- ✓ Leaves
- ✓ Branches
- ✓ House & garden plants
- ✓ Garden/hedge/tree trimmings



Individual branches must be no more than 2" (5 cm) in diameter or 4 ft (1.2 m) in length. Bundled branches must be no more than 2 ft (0.60 m) in diameter. Individual bag/bundle/container cannot exceed 50 lbs (23 kgs).

Use open top, reusable containers, cardboard boxes, or paper yard waste bags.

Material in plastic bags will not be collected.

L&YW is collected separately from other materials. Green carts will only be collected on green cart collection days.

Leaves & Grass Clippings (loose or in paper bags) accepted at OVWRC, no charge. Fees apply for Mixed Leaf & Yard Waste, Branches, Tree Limbs and Stumps.

LEAF & YARD WASTE

Paper recycling must be placed loose in a blue box, cardboard box, paper bag or other reusable open top container.

Residential recycling in plastic bags WILL NOT be collected (with the exception of shredded paper).



Books (soft & hard cover - remove hardcovers and discard with garbage)



Cardboard (2 ft x 3 ft (0.61 x 0.91 m), flattened and/or bundled)



Cereal, tissue, frozen food, cracker boxes



Envelopes & junk mail



Magazines, catalogues & phone books (remove plastic)



Newspapers & flyers (including glossy)



Paper bags



Paper (colored & white) & file folders



Shredded paper (in a clear plastic bag)



Wrapping (non-metallic)/tissue paper & greeting cards



Toilet & paper towel rolls (empty)



This side for Paper

This side for Organics

FIND OUT WHAT GOES WHERE!

Search 100's of items using our online tool at www.ovwrc.com/what-goes-where

OTTAWA VALLEY
Waste Recovery

BLUE BOX (Paper & Cardboard)

To absorb moisture, reduce odours and help keep material from freezing to the cart, place crumpled newspaper at the bottom of your cart or layer dry leaf & yard waste over wet food waste or use a leaf & yard waste bag to line your cart. Material can be wrapped in newspaper, paper bags or other compostable box (i.e. cereal, frozen food, etc.).



ALL FOOD

- Baked goods
- Bones
- Breads, grains, cereal & pasta
- Cooking grease/fat (solidified)
- Cooking oil (small amounts-use paper or yard waste to absorb)
- Dairy products
- Eggs & eggshells
- Fish (including shellfish) & meat
- Fruits, vegetables & peelings
- Kitchen scraps & plate scrapings
- Nuts & shells

FOOD-SOILED PAPER

- Coffee grounds & filters
- Drink trays & paper egg cartons
- Facial tissues & paper towels
- Microwave popcorn bags
- Muffin liners
- Paper plates & napkins
- Paper coffee & cold drink cups (plastic lids & straws removed & discard with garbage)
- Paper take-out containers
- Pizza boxes
- Tea bags
- Waxed & brown butcher paper



YARD & PLANT WASTE

- Leaves
- Twigs (less than 1" (2.5 cm) in diameter, no longer than 3 ft (0.91m), DO NOT bundle)
- House plants & soil
- Grass clippings
- Weeds & yard trimmings



DO NOT PLACE THESE ITEMS IN GREEN CART

- ✗ Plastics of any kind (including plastic bags claiming to be biodegradable or compostable)
- ✗ Plastic wrap
- ✗ Diapers
- ✗ Kitty litter
- ✗ Pet waste
- ✗ Plastic & glass containers
- ✗ Ashes
- ✗ Dryer lint

When placed out for collection the **green cart lid must be closed** with **wheels facing away from the road**.



GREEN CART (Food Waste)