Quick Green Guide

Recycling in Vancouver

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We're working together to recycle more in Vancouver.

Single family homes and duplexes

Curbside service is provided each week or two

- Yellow Bag paper, cardboard. newspaper, cereal boxes with bags,
- Blue Box most metal and hard plastic containers. Single use coffee cups and lids.
- Green Bin kitchen scraps, garden waste, and yard trimmings
- Grey Box glass bottles (metal or plastic tops go in Blue Box)
- Black Bin landfill see pop-up recycling option, below

Apartments, condos, and townhomes

The same items as for single family homes are generally deposited into larger bins. Read your signs carefully to be sure your items are recycled correctly.

Pop-up recycling stations

- plastic bags and film, smooth and crinkly
- styrofoam (electronic packaging and clean meat trays). separate bins for coloured or black vs white.
- batteries
- light bulbs
- electronics, phones, computers, and small appliances.

Normally, these items will need to be deposited at a recycle depot, but Build Local Communities is setting up free pop-up recycling stations for neighbourhoods.

- Turnabout Luxury Resale consignment 1005 Commercial Drive & Parker
- Craft Maison hand made crafts and toys 1740 Commercial, 1st & 2nd
- Spin Cycle full and self-serve laundry 1910 Commercial, 3rd & 4th
- Hariyali Express, Indian restaurant 2066 Commercial & McSpadden Ave
- Jam Jar Canteen Lebanese restaurant 2290 Commercial & 7th
- Residence SW corner 8th Ave & Victoria Dr
- Trout Lake Community Centre 3360 Victoria Dr, 17th & 18th

Other items to recycle

Recycle depots accept large appliances, paint, large power tools, outdoor equipment, exercise equipment, etc. For more details, visit www.vancouver.ca and click on the Waste Wizard.