Introducing your New Waste Collection Service

www.maldon.gov.uk/newwaste
In June 2016 we will be changing the way you sort your refuse and recycling for collection.

Your collection day may have changed. This has been necessary to ensure that we deliver the best service for you.

Please refer to your collection calendar to confirm your new collection day.

Refuse and recycling collections will be made on an alternate weekly basis. Food waste will be collected weekly.

You will have received:

- a grey wheeled bin for your refuse
- 3 rolls of pink sacks for your recycling
- 2 rolls of liners for your food recycling bin and
- a collection calendar

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Your grey wheeled bin

- Your grey wheeled bin, which will replace your black sacks, is only for waste that cannot be recycled.

- Present your bin by 7am on your collection day on the boundary of your property (or agreed location) with the handle facing outwards towards the road.

- All waste must be contained within your wheeled bin with the lid shut. Waste outside the bin will not be taken.

- Use smaller bags such as bin liners as you will fit more in your bin.

- No Food waste, please use your food recycling bin.

- No electrical items.

- No hardcore or soil.

- No clinical waste.

- No garden waste.

- No large items*

*We offer a chargeable bulky waste collection service for larger items. Items that cannot be placed in your wheeled bin can be taken to your local Recycling Centre for Household Waste.

Please visit www.maldon.gov.uk/newwaste for information.
What can go in your pink recycling sack?  
(This will replace your black box and green boxbag)

**WE CAN ACCEPT:**
- Beverage cartons
- Plastic bottles
- Margarine tubs
- Plastic ready meal trays
- Yoghurt pots
- Fruit and vegetable punnets
- Clean food tins and drink cans
- Clean foil
- Aerosols
- Newspaper
- Magazines
- Junk mail
- Cardboard boxes*
- Soft back telephone directories
- Soft back brochures or books

**WE CANNOT ACCEPT:**
- Plastic carrier bags
- Clingfilm
- Plastic film from ready meals
- Flower pots/bedding trays
- Polystyrene
- Bubble wrap
- Hard plastic such as video or cd cases
- Food residue
- Wallpaper & wrapping paper
- Hard backed books and catalogues
- Used nappies/tissues/kitchen roll

*Large cardboard boxes can be flattened and presented beside your pink sacks on collection day

**REMEMBER,** pink sacks are for recycling only. Do not use them for general refuse or garden waste as they will not be collected.

Tie or knot your recycling sacks at the top and present on the boundary of your property (or agreed location) by 7am on your collection day but no earlier than the evening before.
Pink sacks continued

• Good news! You can now recycle your **beverage cartons** along with your paper, cardboard, plastics and cans in the same pink sack

• There is no limit to the number of pink sacks you can present on your collection day

• **Further supplies can be obtained free of charge.** Visit [www.maldon.gov.uk/newwaste](http://www.maldon.gov.uk/newwaste) for stockists

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**What can go in your existing blue recycling box?**

**We can accept:**

✓ Glass bottles *(for example: perfume, wine, beer, vinegar)*

✓ Glass jars *(for example: baby food, make up, cooking sauce, herbs and spices)*

**We cannot accept these for recycling:**

✗ Drinking glasses

✗ Picture or window glass

✗ Mirrors, lightbulbs and fluorescent tubes

✗ Pyrex or ceramics

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**REMEMBER,** please continue to recycle your glass bottles & jars in your existing blue, black or green recycling box
Your food waste recycling

What can I put in my food recycling bin?

YES PLEASE

✓ Meat & fish - raw & cooked including bones
✓ Fruit & vegetables - raw & cooked including peelings
✓ Dairy products such as eggs & cheese
✓ Bread, cakes and pastries
✓ Rice, pasta & beans
✓ Uneaten food from your plates & dishes
✓ Tea bags & coffee grounds
✓ Out of date food

NO THANK YOU

✗ Packaging of any sort
✗ Liquids
✗ Oils or liquid fat
✗ Pet food, bedding or faeces
✗ Glass
✗ Garden waste
✗ Cut flowers

Food waste will be collected on a weekly basis on the same day as your refuse and recycling collections.

For your convenience we have provided every household with two rolls of plastic caddy liners to go inside the silver kitchen caddy.

Please put your food recycling bin, with the lid firmly shut at your collection point next to your grey wheeled bin or your recycling.

DON’T FORGET to present your food waste by 7am at your collection point.
How to recycle your food waste

- Line your silver kitchen caddy with a caddy liner
- Place any leftover food, meat bones, teabags etc into the kitchen caddy
- When full tie the caddy liner at the top and place it in your green food recycling bin
- Once a week present your green food recycling bin with your refuse or recycling

What happens to your food waste?

When recycled, food waste can be turned into something useful. Your food waste is taken to a processing plant in Halstead where it is used to generate electricity. It also produces a fertiliser which can be used as a soil nutrient.

Garden waste collections

If you subscribe to our garden waste scheme, this will be collected on the same day as your refuse and recycling.

Please see your calendar for details of your collection day plus Winter schedule. Interested in joining our garden waste scheme for an annual fee of £37 (£32 if paid by direct debit or online). Visit www.maldon.gov.uk

*price is correct for 2016/17 subscription year
Frequently asked questions and common concerns

Q. Will you still supply me with black refuse sacks?
A. No, your grey wheeled bin has replaced black refuse sacks.

Q. What should I do with my old recycling containers?
A. Please ensure that you keep one box to recycle your glass bottles and jars. You can keep hold of the other recycling box as you might find it useful to store your recycling in between collections. If you cannot accommodate this box it can be taken to the Recycling Centre for Household Waste at Park Drive, Maldon and Springfield Road, Burnham-on-Crouch.

Q. Why has the council changed to a wheeled bin collection?
A. This method of collection is currently undertaken by nearly 70% of the councils in the UK. It has proven to be very successful in maximising recycling, minimising waste and making the best use of resources.

Q. What can I do to stop smells from my bin?
A. As long as you wrap your waste correctly and keep the bin lid shut this will minimise any smell from the bin. You can help by ensuring that all food waste is presented in your food waste recycling bin.

Q. I don’t think my grey wheeled bin is big enough
A. The standard 180 litre bin will accommodate 4-5 sacks. If you are recycling everything you can, including food waste, this should be sufficient for the average family.