

BROWN BIN SERVICE



A Brown Wheeled Bin Service for the collection of organic waste (food waste and light garden waste) will be introduced in your area, on a pilot basis, in the near future. Your new 140 litre Brown Bin will be delivered shortly. A Kitchen Caddy will also be provided for the convenient separation of your waste.



Why use a Brown Bin?

- ◆ The new Brown Bin service will enable organic waste (food waste and light garden waste) to be collected for composting. This will greatly benefit the environment as organic waste is the main cause of the more undesirable effects of landfill, such as gas and liquid emissions.
- ◆ It pays to put your organic waste in the Brown Bin as the charge per lift is significantly less than the charge for a similar size Black/Grey Bin.
- ◆ Using the Brown Bin will make a significant contribution towards the city achieving its ambitious recycling targets.

When will it be collected?

A Brown Bin will be collected every 2 weeks. The Black/Grey Bin will be collected on alternate weeks i.e. those weeks the Brown Bin is not being collected. For example:

Week 1 - Brown Bin
Week 2 - Black/Grey Bin
Week 3 - Brown Bin
Week 4 - Black/Grey Bin.

The main reason for reducing the collection frequency of the Black/Grey Bin to every second week is that a significant amount of materials currently going into that bin can be transferred to the Brown Bin.

For hygienic reasons, we strongly encourage householders to make sure that their Brown Bin is presented for collection every 2 weeks.

How much will it cost?

There will be no charge until the 1st January 2007. From that date the charge will be €2.00 per lift, which will be included in your quarterly bills. This is significantly less than the charge for a similar size Black/Grey Bin (at present €3.15 per lift). There will be no separate standing charge for the Brown Bin. It pays, therefore, to put your organic waste in the Brown Bin.

Helpful tips to keep your bin clean

- ◆ Line the bin with sheets of cardboard to keep it clean
- ◆ Keep your bin in a shaded area
- ◆ Wrap food waste in 2 sheets of newspaper or a paper shopping bag to absorb liquids
- ◆ Put your organic waste into the bin in layers e.g. grass/leaves hedge cuttings first, followed by food waste and so on

Yes ✓

- Leaves, Weeds & Mosses (not sprayed with weedkiller please)
Dead Plants And Flowers
Grass And Hedge Cuttings (up to finger sized twigs)
- Bread, Pasta And Rice
- Meat, Fish, Poultry, Bones
- Paper Napkins & Paper Towels
- Eggs & Dairy Products (no plastic packaging)
- Food Soiled Cardboard or Paper (no coated paper please)
- Fruit, Vegetables (cooked or uncooked)
- Out Of Date Foods (no plastic packaging)
Tea Bags, Coffee Grounds & Paper Filters

No ✗

- ✗ No Plastics Of Any Kind
- ✗ No Food Cans, Drinks Cans, Cutlery
- ✗ No Tin Foil
- ✗ No Sweet and Crisp Wrappers
- ✗ No Newspaper/cardboard (except when used for wrapping & lining)
- ✗ No Household Hazardous items Batteries, Oils, etc.
- ✗ No Glass
- ✗ No Crockery
- ✗ No Tetrapak & Cartons
- ✗ No Nappies/sanitary Items
- ✗ No Dog & Cat Litter
- ✗ No Ashes & Coal
- ✗ No Rocks, gravel, stones, clay, soil & stumps
- ✗ No Weedkiller and weeds sprayed with weedkill
- ✗ No Glossy Papers & Magazines

USEFUL CONTACTS

Customer Services Centre (222 1000) - www.dublinwaste.ie/ www.dublincity.ie/ for the answers to some Frequently Asked Questions

