

# East Cambridgeshire District Council

## Waste and Recycling Collections Calendar

**We regret that plastic bottle recycling  
collections will stop from  
Friday 26th March 2010.**

Residents can continue to recycle plastic bottles in recycling banks around the District. Bank locations can be found on the Council's web site at [www.eastcambs.gov.uk](http://www.eastcambs.gov.uk) or by using the contact details provided below.

We apologise for the inconvenience caused by the withdrawal of this service as a result of enforced spending cuts.

**YOUR COLLECTION DAY IS  
TUESDAY**

\*except where changed due to bank holidays



**Questions or problems?**

**Customer Helpline: 01353 665555**

**E-mail: [waste@eastcambs.gov.uk](mailto:waste@eastcambs.gov.uk)**

**Website: [www.eastcambs.gov.uk](http://www.eastcambs.gov.uk)**

# Using your Waste and Recycling Services

Please help us to collect from your address:

## Collection point

- On your property boundary closest to road access so that materials are clearly visible. (Where your property is accessed by a private track or road, material must be left for collection where this joins the public highway).

## Collection time

- Materials must be ready for collection by **7.00am** as collection times may vary.
- Do not put material out for collection any earlier than **6.00pm** on the evening before collection.

## Collection frequency

- Black sack waste – weekly
- Recycling and Brown Sack collections – every 2 weeks (see calendar included).

## Is there a reason that your waste hasn't been collected?

- Before reporting that your waste or recycling has not been collected, please check:
  - That neighbouring properties have been collected from (collections may be running late or one side of the road may be collected at a time).
  - That a sticker has not been left on your waste explaining why it has not been collected. If this is the case, please resolve the problem and put waste out for collection on the next due collection day.

## Service Failures – missed collections, replacement bags not left etc

- We regret that action will only be taken to rectify issues that are reported by the end of the working day after a collection is due. This is to prevent repeated return trips to the same area to resolve issues.

# Black Sack Waste Collections

This service is for small items of household waste that are produced on a daily basis and can't be recycled through existing services. A paid for service is available for larger items, and can be arranged using contact details on the front of this leaflet.

One replacement sack is provided each collection. Additional sacks will be collected, but please recycle and compost all that you can.

## Please help us by:

- Tying bags securely to reduce the risk of spillage;
- Wrapping sharp items such as broken glass to prevent them puncturing bags and causing injury to your collection crew, and;
- Not including other hazardous materials such as household chemicals or paint. Take these to Grunty Fen Recycling Centre. Tel: 0345 045 5207 or [www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk](http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk)



# Recycling Collections

- Please leave materials for collection as shown below & only include items listed. Collections will not be made where materials are mixed or incorrect materials are included.
- Please do not put materials for recycling in black refuse sacks or brown sacks as collection crews will think they are for the other collection services.

## In Black Box:

- ✓ **Newspapers**
- ✓ **Magazines**
- ✓ **Junk mail**
- ✓ **White envelopes**
- ✓ **White paper**
- ✓ **Catalogues & brochures**
- ✓ **Telephone directories**

Please remove cardboard covers.



## In separate plastic bag:

- ✓ **Glass bottles**
- ✓ **Glass jars**

Please rinse out and remove lids. Metal lids can be recycled with cans.

## In plastic bag:

- ✓ **Food cans**
- ✓ **Drinks cans**
- ✓ **Aerosols (don't squash)**

Please rinse food and drink cans

# Brown Sack (compost) Collections

- This collection is for materials that can be composted, please only include the items listed.
- A maximum of **4 brown sacks** will be replaced each collection, but more will be collected. Additional sacks can be purchased from local shops, but will not be replaced (see web site or call for local suppliers).
- Brown sacks left at a shared collection point should be marked clearly with your house number so that replacements can be returned to the correct address.



## Food waste:

- ✓ **Fruit and vegetables**
- ✓ **Peelings**
- ✓ **Meat**
- ✓ **Meal leftovers**

Please wrap wet food waste in newspaper or paper bags. Do **NOT** use plastic or cornstarch bags

## Garden waste:

- ✓ **Grass cuttings**
- ✓ **Prunings**
- ✓ **Hedge cuttings**
- ✓ **Dead plants**
- ✓ **Weeds**
- ✓ **Leaves**
- ✓ **Twigs**

## Card & paper:

- ✓ **Cardboard**
- ✓ **Shredded paper**
- ✓ **Brown/manila envelopes**

Additional cardboard will be collected if flattened, bundled & left next to brown sacks

# Collection Dates

Your Collection day is **TUESDAY** except where changed due to Bank Holidays

- Black sack waste is collected on all dates listed.
- Recycling and brown sack waste is only collected on dates in **yellow** boxes e.g. **7**
- Changed collection days due to Bank Holidays are one day later than normal and are bordered in **red** e.g. **6**
- Collections continue as normal on Good Friday (2nd April).

## Your 2010 collection dates are:

March	April	May	June	July
2 9 16 23 30	<b>7</b> 13 20 27	<b>5</b> 11 18 25	<b>2</b> 8 15 22 29	6 13 20 27
August	September	October	November	December
3 10 17 24	<b>1</b> 7 14 21 28	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30	To be advised

## Be a Recycling Champion!

We are looking for local residents who would like to help promote recycling in their area.

- Encourage friends and neighbours to recycle more of their waste
- Promote recycling by distributing leaflets or creating imaginative displays in community facilities such as libraries, leisure centres, and village halls.
- Offer as much time as you are able to spare.
- Support and training will be provided.

For further information, please contact Darren Hughes, Community Recycling Officer on 01353 665555 or e-mail [Darren.Hughes@eastcamb.gov.uk](mailto:Darren.Hughes@eastcamb.gov.uk)

**Learn more about reducing, reusing and recycling your waste at:**

[www.recap.co.uk](http://www.recap.co.uk)

**What happens to the material that we collect for recycling?**

All material that we collect for recycling goes to be recycled, mostly in the UK. For further information please go to [www.eastcamb.gov.uk](http://www.eastcamb.gov.uk)