Recycling Services

at King County Recycling & Transfer Facilities

Recycling services vary by facility. Next to each type of material, note which facilities offer recycling. See list of facilities on back page. For hours, fees, and other information about facility services, call 206-477-4466, ask employees at each facility, or visit www.kingcounty.gov/recycling-transfer.

- Make sure all recyclables are empty, clean, and dry. NO liquids or food.
- NO bagged recyclable materials. Keep them loose.
- Only put items you know can be recycled in recycling bins. When in doubt, find out.

Did you know?
70 percent of what ends up in the King County Cedar Hills Regional Landfill could have been reused, recycled, or composted.

Sort It Out Required

Customers who haul their own garbage or recyclable materials to King County recycling and garbage transfer facilities must separate corrugated cardboard, scrap metal, clean wood, and yard waste – and place them in marked recycling bins or areas at facilities offering recycling for those materials. Note which facilities offer recycling for each type of material. No fees are charged to recycle cardboard or scrap metal. The fee for clean wood and yard waste is less than the garbage fee.

Corrugated cardboard
Must be empty and flattened. NO wax-coated or food-soiled cardboard.

At Bow Lake, Cedar Falls, Enumclaw, Factoria, Houghton, Renton, Shoreline, Skykomish

Scrap metal
Materials with 50% or more metal. NO paint cans, sealed drums, pressurized containers, concrete, barbed wire, ammunition or shell casings. Containers must be empty. Remove any fluids.

At Bow Lake, Enumclaw, Factoria, Shoreline

Clean wood (unpainted, untreated)
Lumber, pallets, plywood, crates. NO metal hinges or latches. NO items longer than 8 feet. Fees apply.

At Bow Lake, Enumclaw, Factoria, Shoreline

Yard waste
Branches, grass, leaves, stumps, wood rounds. NO food, metal, plastic, rocks, sod, or soil. NO items longer than 8 feet. Fees apply.

At Bow Lake, Cedar Falls, Enumclaw, Factoria, Shoreline

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Place all these materials together in the same recycling bin.

NO liquids or food. All materials must be empty, clean, and dry.

NO bagged recyclable materials. Keep them loose. NO plastic bags.

NO shredded paper. NO corrugated cardboard boxes.

Paper

Cartons, cups, plastic containers

Glass bottles and jars, metal cans

Major appliances

Accepted for recycling at Bow Lake, Enumclaw, Factoria, Shoreline

Mercury-containing light bulbs and tubes

Accepted for recycling at Bow Lake, Enumclaw, Shoreline, and Factoria

Hazardous Waste Drop-off

NOT accepted in garbage. CFLs, HID bulbs, and fluorescent tubes up to 8 feet in length.

NO incandescent, halogen, or LED bulbs. Limit: 10 bulbs/tubes per vehicle per day.

Textiles

Accepted for recycling at Bow Lake, Cedar Falls, Enumclaw, Factoria, Houghton, Renton, Shoreline

Clothing, shoes, linens. Torn, worn, stained items accepted.

NO carpet. NO wet or mildewed items.
When in doubt, call King County Solid Waste Division at 206-477-4466

**Types of paper NOT accepted for recycling**
- Paper plates, paper napkins, paper towels
- Pizza boxes and other food-soiled paper
- Shredded paper
- Wax-coated cardboard boxes

**Types of glass NOT accepted for recycling**
- Ceramics and glassware
- Incandescent light bulbs
- Windows and mirrors

**Types of metal NOT accepted for recycling**
- Aerosol cans
- Foil, foil trays, foil paper
- Hangers
- Paint cans
- Sharp objects

**Types of plastic NOT accepted for recycling**
- Candy wrappers, chip bags
- Diapers
- Foam
- Foam containers and cups
- Packing peanuts
- Plastic utensils
- Prescription bottles/vials
- Small loose caps, lids (less than 3”)
- Toxic product containers

Plastics below are NOT accepted for recycling, except at Bow Lake and Shoreline. (See back page and What do I do with...? for recycling options.)

- Bubble wrap, plastic air pillows
- Plastic bags
- Styrofoam blocks

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For more information, visit www.kingcounty.gov/recycling-transfer
Curbside recycling
Contact your hauler to sign up for curbside collection. See www.kingcounty.gov/garbage to find the garbage and recycling hauler for your area.

Electronics
Recycle monitors, computers, and televisions at no charge. For information, visit www.ecyclewashington.org or www.kingcounty.gov/TakeItBack.

Household hazardous wastes
Products such as paint thinner and pesticides that contain toxic, flammable, or corrosive ingredients can be taken to Hazardous Wastemobile or hazardous waste collection sites. Visit www.hazwastehelp.org or call the Household Hazards Line at 206-296-2692 (Mon. - Fri. from 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.).

Prevent waste
Waste prevention means not creating the waste in the first place. For example, we can reduce food waste, purchase products with less packaging, and get off mailing lists to reduce unwanted mail. For more information, see https://kingcounty.gov/waste-prevention.

Residential recycling collection events
Drop off materials not collected curbside. For information, visit https://kingcounty.gov/recycling-events.

What do I do with...?
This King County website directory lists businesses and organizations that accept unwanted items for reuse, recycling, or proper disposal. Visit www.kingcounty.gov/WhatDoIDoWith.