



## YES These items are accepted

- ☒ Fruit, citrus and vegetables
- ☒ Meat scraps and bones
- ☒ Dairy products
- ☒ Seafood
- ☒ Tea leaves and coffee grounds
- ☒ Egg shells
- ☒ Food leftovers and scraps
- ☒ Cakes and desserts
- ☒ Bread, pasta, cereal and rice
- ☒ Used paper towel, tissues and napkins



## NO These items are not accepted

- ☒ Plastic (including any kind bio-degradable/degradable)
- ☒ Glass or metal
- ☒ Nappies or baby wipes
- ☒ Vacuum dust
- ☒ Animal droppings
- ☒ Pet litter
- ☒ Cigarette butts or ashes
- ☒ Dishcloths
- ☒ Coffee pods
- ☒ Coffee cups (including compostable)
- ☒ Cutlery (including compostable or bio-degradable)
- ☒ Cling wrap, aluminium foil and baking paper



## Kerbside food and garden waste collection service



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It's really important to avoid plastic contamination as it could end up in the soil that grows our food.

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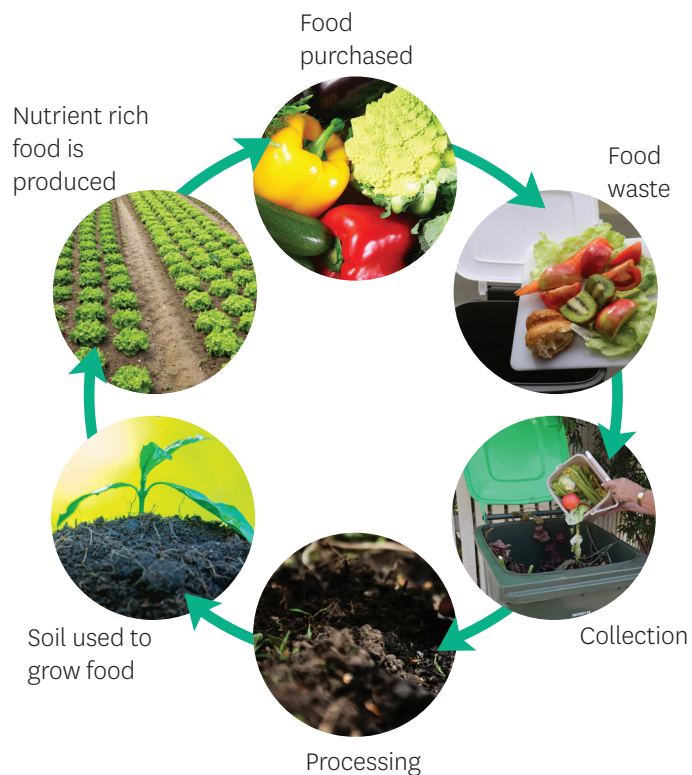
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# Kerbside food and garden waste collection service

It is very important that you only place food and garden waste in your garden waste bin, as the compost made from the contents of your bin is used in the soil that grows your food.

Contamination, mainly plastic and glass, is the biggest risk to the compost market. Your support in placing only food and garden waste in your garden waste bin is critical to our farmers.



## Why should I start putting my food waste in my garden waste bin?

Frankston City Council are introducing the Kerbside Food and Garden Waste Collection Service to its residential households. A new, innovative way to manage food waste to reduce the environmental impact of sending it to landfill.

Recent audits have shown that almost half of what we throw into our general household garbage bin is food and garden waste.

By keeping food waste and garden waste out of landfill it promotes a healthier, sustainable environment for generations to come.

Food and garden waste placed in your garden waste bin will be turned into nourishing compost for use by our farmers.

## What happens to my food and garden waste?

The contents of your food and garden waste bin is transported by truck to a composting facility where the material is processed, producing compost for garden suppliers and farmers.

Enriching the soil with compost improves soil structure along with nutrient and water retention, which improves crop yields and reduces the potential for soil borne diseases to develop in plants. Compost can also increase soil and plant health and reduce the need for pesticide and synthetic fertiliser usage.

## What if I already compost?

If you already compost your food scraps at home, please keep it up! The food and garden waste collection service does not replace home composting but it can complement it. You are able to place food waste items that are usually not traditionally home composted including fish and meat, cooked and uncooked food, bread and dairy and hard to compost items like onion and citrus peel in your garden waste bin.

## Questions

### How often should I empty my kitchen caddy?

As you feel necessary, however we recommend every two to three days, and more frequently in the warmer months.

### How often will you collect food waste?

The garden waste bin is collected every fortnight. See our rubbish and recycling calendar for bin collection days. Visit: [frankston.vic.gov.au/bininformation](http://frankston.vic.gov.au/bininformation)

### How can I reduce odours caused by food waste in my garden waste bin?

Layering your food scraps among your garden trimmings will help reduce odours and residue in your bin. Lining the bottom of your garden waste bin with paper or cardboard will also stop waste sticking to the bottom of your garden waste bin. We also recommend storing your garden waste bin in a shaded area — particularly in the warmer months.

