



YES These items are accepted

- ✓ Out of date inedible food
- ✓ Fruit and vegetable scraps
- ✓ Eggshells and dairy
- ✓ Meat scraps, bones and seafood
- ✓ Bread, pasta, grains and rice
- ✓ Grass, weeds, leaves and flowers
- ✓ Prunings, twigs and small branches



NO These items are not accepted

- ✗ Batteries
- ✗ Plastic — including biodegradable or non certified compostable plastics
- ✗ Coffee pods or tea bags
- ✗ Kitty litter, animal droppings or pet waste
- ✗ Large branches or tree stumps
- ✗ Treated timber
- ✗ Nappies or wet wipes
- ✗ Bagged garbage
- ✗ Soil or rubble
- ✗ Plant pots
- ✗ Glass or metals
- ✗ Garden tools or hoses
- ✗ Coffee cups including compostable



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



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It is very important that you only place food scraps and garden organics in your FOGO bin, as the compost made from the contents of your bin is used in the soil that grows your food and where animals graze the land.

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



Why should I start putting my food scraps in my Food Organics and Garden Organics (FOGO) bin?

Frankston City Council have introduced the Kerbside Food Organics and Garden Organics collection service (FOGO) to all of its residential households. A new, innovative way to manage food scraps and garden organics to reduce the environmental impact and costs of sending it to landfill.

Recent audits have shown that almost half of what we place into our red-lidded general rubbish bin is food scraps and garden organics.

By keeping these food scraps and garden organics out of the red-lidded general rubbish bin and placing them in your FOGO bin for composting, valuable organic waste can be turned into nutrient-rich compost instead of landfill.

Using the FOGO service supports a healthier, more sustainable environment and helps protect our community for generations to come.

What happens to my food scraps and garden organics?

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

Enriching the soil with compost improves soil structure, provides nutrients, and increases water retention. That means healthier crops and less potential for soil borne diseases to develop in plants. Compost can also reduce the need for pesticides and synthetic fertilisers.

What if I already compost?

If you already compost your food scraps and garden organics at home, please keep it up! The FOGO bin collection service complements home composting. You are able to place food items that are not traditionally used in home composting such as fish, meat and bones, cooked and

uncooked food, bread, dairy and hard to compost items like onion and citrus in your FOGO bin.

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 my FOGO bin?

The FOGO bin is collected fortnightly. See our website for bin collection days and information. Visit: frankston.vic.gov.au

How can I reduce odours caused by food scraps in my FOGO bin?

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

