

FOGO FACTS # 5

HOW
TO FOGO?
PART 1

ABOUT YOUR FOGO BIN

Your 240 litre, green-lidded FOGO bin will be delivered to your property in September, along with an information pack to help you get the most out of this new service.

FOGO bins will be collected fortnightly. Once the FOGO service starts, your garbage collection will switch to fortnightly too (one week FOGO, one week garbage).

Fortnightly collection of kerbside recycling in the yellow-lidded bin will continue unchanged. You'll receive a collection calendar with your FOGO information pack as a reminder.

It's recommended that you set up a caddy near your kitchen to collect food scraps and, once full, tip the contents into the green-lidded FOGO bin. Line your caddy with paper. Plastic liners cannot go in the FOGO bin.

TIPS FOR USING YOUR FOGO BIN

Simple steps to reduce FOGO bin odours:

- Layer food waste in your FOGO bin with garden clippings, leaves, grass or paper;
- Keep particularly smelly food waste (such as shellfish, cheese and meat scraps) in a paper bag in your freezer and drop it in the FOGO bin closer to collection;
- Wrap animal faeces in paper;
- Sprinkle bicarbonate of soda inside your bin for a natural way to neutralise odours;
- Drop some cardboard in the bottom of your FOGO bin before you start refilling after each collection; and
- Hose out your bin occasionally to stop the build-up of waste.

Keep your FOGO bin lid closed when in use to deter pests.

The FOGO collection truck can lift bins up to 80kgs in weight. Help keep your FOGO bin below 80kgs by:

- mowing lawns when they are dry (wet grass is heavier than dry)
- not adding wet leaves or garden clippings
- aerating the FOGO from time to time to release moisture
- shaking soil off weeds and plant roots
- not adding large branches or trunks
- following the guide to what can and can't go in your FOGO bin.

For more information on our FOGO service, contact Council on 6429 8900.



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