

**By using the new FOGO collection service, you are helping to redirect 55%\* of your waste away from landfill.**

This organic material will be processed into compost and used in public parks and gardens.

Please read through this brochure and familiarise yourself with the system, and what can and cannot be placed in your new FOGO bin.

Your effort makes a big difference! Thank you.



**On average each household produces this much waste. Half of which qualifies as organic material.**

\*Cradle Coast Authority and Northern Waste Management Services Residential Kerbside Bin Audit 2014 for North West and Northern Tasmania regions.

## More information

FOGO collection fact sheets and FAQ's

Central Coast Council collection and recycling services  
[www.centralcoast.tas.gov.au/refuse-recycle-collection](http://www.centralcoast.tas.gov.au/refuse-recycle-collection)

Waste management in Tasmania  
[www.rethinkwaste.com.au](http://www.rethinkwaste.com.au)

If you have any questions about a waste item or the service, contact us and let us know!



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# Food & Garden Organics Collection (FOGO) Getting Started



The FOGO collection service is designed to be an easy and convenient system for separating, sorting and discarding your household waste.



You have your 240L wheelie bin and in a few simple steps you'll be ready to FOGO.

### Getting Started

**Set up bins in your kitchen for sorting and separating your FOGO, recycling and landfill waste.**

Educate everyone in your household with what can and can't go in each bin (FOGO, recycling, waste).

**Line your kitchen FOGO container with newspaper to minimise odours.**

Use your kitchen FOGO container to help separate and sort food organics.

**Wrap food scraps like prawn shells and meat scraps in newspaper and place in the freezer then transfer to your FOGO bin closer to collection day.**

Line the bottom of your FOGO bin with cardboard or garden organics to avoid material sticking to the base.

**Layering your food waste among garden organics will reduce odours in your bin.**

Sprinkle bicarbonate of soda inside your bin and kitchen FOGO container for a natural way to neutralise odours.

**Wash your bin out regularly.**

### Kerbside Collection

Your FOGO bin will be emptied fortnightly. Please refer to your Kerbside Collection Service Calendar.

**Put your bin out by 6am on the morning of collection.**

Place bin 1 metre apart from other bins.

Keep the bin weight below 80kg. Bins over this weight cannot be lifted by the mechanical arm on the collection truck.

## What CAN go in the FOGO bin

### FOOD ORGANICS

- ✓ Fruit & vegetable scraps, citrus
- ✓ De-packaged out-of-date/left-over food
- ✓ Meat, bones & eggshells
- ✓ Bread, pasta & rice
- ✓ Tea bags & coffee grounds
- ✓ Dairy products
- ✓ Seafood
- ✓ Take away food
- ✓ Baked goods
- ✓ Pizza boxes
- ✓ Paper towel & used tissues

### GARDEN ORGANICS

- ✓ Grass clippings
- ✓ Weeds
- ✓ Branches\*
- ✓ Plants
- ✓ Small shrubs
- ✓ Twigs\*
- ✓ Leaves & flowers
- ✓ Untreated timber\*
- ✓ Newspaper
- ✓ Shredded paper
- ✓ Hair & fur

\* maximum 20cm diameter



## What CAN'T go in the FOGO bin

- ✗ Bags – plastics, compostable or biodegradable
- ✗ Clinical, medical or pharmaceutical wastes
- ✗ Concrete, rocks, ceramics, stones, bricks
- ✗ E-waste
- ✗ Food packaging
- ✗ Glass
- ✗ Garden hoses
- ✗ Batteries, light globes, gas bottles, paint
- ✗ Liquids
- ✗ Metals
- ✗ Nappies
- ✗ Plant pots
- ✗ Plastics
- ✗ Soil
- ✗ Tree stumps
- ✗ Treated, painted, stained or laminated timber, particleboard or plywood
- ✗ Textiles

## Know your bins and avoid contamination

Placing incorrect items in the wrong recycling and FOGO bins causes contamination which increases processing costs and can prevent the end recycled product from being used.

**In doubt? Leave it out. Check with Council.**

**It's better to avoid contamination if you're not sure.**

