Helping You: Waste Less & Recycle More



The calendar overleaf shows collection days for your blue bin, brown bin, grey bin, glass recycling box and food caddy. Keep this handy guide so you know when to put each out.

Place containers at the kerbside for collection i.e. at your property's boundary (beside the pavement, footpath or road) or your designated collection area by 6.30am on collection day.

Please don't put clothes, shoes, electrical items, plastic bags or food waste in your blue bin: we can't recycle them.



Your materials are separated, sorted and made into new products.

- ✓ Paper & card
- ✓ Plastic bottles
- √ Tins & cans
- √ Foil
- ✓ Plastic pots, tubs, punnets & trays
- ✓ Cartons
- ✓ Aerosol cans



Your garden waste is processed into compost.

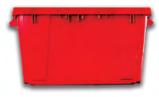
- ✓ Grass cuttings
- √ Hedge trimmings
- ✓ Leaves
- ✓ Small branches, bark & twigs
- ✓ Plants & flowers



Your grey bin waste is sent to an Energy-from-Waste facility.

- ✓ Nappies
- ✓ Bathroom bin waste
- ✓ Polystyrene
- ✓ Crisp packets & sweet wrappers
- ✓ Plastic bags & film
- ✓ Cat litter & dog waste

Glass box glass bottles and jars



Your glass is used to make a water filtration product. Box colours vary.

- ✓ Wine bottles
- ✓ Cooking sauce jars
- √ Jam jars
- ✓ Beer bottles
- ✓ Baby food jars

Silver caddy food waste



Your food waste is processed to create energy and agricultural fertiliser.

- ✓ Fruit & vegetables
- √ Tea bags & coffee grounds
- ✓ Meat, fish & bones
- √ Cheese
- ✓ Bread, cakes & pastries
- ✓ Pasta & rice
- √ Egg shells
- ✓ Pet food
- ✓ Leftovers



Your collection calendar 2025/26

	March 2025							
М	M T W Th F S S							
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10	11	12	13	BIR	15	16		
17	18	19	20	GBr	22	23		
24	25	26	27	BIR	29	30		
31								

	April 2025							
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7	8	9	10	BIR	12	13		
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May 2025							
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	June 2025							
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16	17	18		BIR		22		
23	24	25	26	GBr	28	29		
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Collection Key

G Grey bin

GBr Grey & brown bins

Blue bin & glass box

July 2025							
M	Т	W	Th	F	S	S	
	1	2	3	BIR	5	6	
7	8	9	10	GBr	12	13	
14	15	16	17	BIR	19	20	
21	22	23	24	GBr	26	27	
28	29	30	31				

August 2025							
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25	26	27	28	BIR	30	31	

September 2025							
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8	9	10	11	BIR	13	14	
15	16	17	18	GBr	20	21	
22	23	24	25	BIR	27	28	
29	30						

	October 2025								
М	Т	W	Th	F	S	S			
		1	2	GBr	4	5			
6	7	8		BIR		12			
13	14	15		GBr		19			
20	21	22	23	BIR	25	26			
27	28	29	30	GBr					

Containers are emptied by differen	nt
vehicles at different times on your	1
collection day.	

recycling for collection by 6.30am.

Please present your waste or

Check our website below to confirm Christmas collection dates.

November 2025							
М	Т	W	Th	F	S	S	
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3	4	5	6	BIR	8	9	
10	11	12	13	GBr	15	16	
17	18	19	20	BIR	22	23	
24	25	26	27	G	29	30	

December 2025								
M	Т	W	Th	F	S	S		
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8	9	10	11		13			
15	16	17	18	BIR	22	21		
22	23	24	25	26	27	G		
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January 2026							
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12	13	14	15	BIR	17	18	
19	20	21	22	G	24	25	
26	27	28	29	BIR	31		

February 2026						
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9	10	11	12	BIR	14	15
16	17	18	19	G	21	22
23	24	25	26	BIR	28	

For more information on Midlothian Council's recycling services, call: 0131 561 5284

email: recycling@midlothian.gov.uk

or visit:

www.midlothian.gov.uk/recycling

- Keep your recycling clean and dry.
- Empty and rinse food and drink packaging to remove residue.
- Dirty items can't be recycled.

Garden waste collection is an additional subscription only service we provide for £42 per brown bin emptied throughout this calendar year. Only brown bins displaying valid bin-stickers will be emptied.

To subscribe visit: www.midlothian.gov.uk/gardenwaste

Your food waste is collected weekly on **THURSDAY.**



