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.

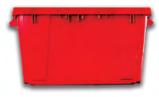
- ✓ Grass cuttings
- √ Hedge trimmings
- ✓ Leaves
- ✓ Small branches, bark & twigs
- ✓ Plants & flowers



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	Т	W	Th	F	S	S	
					1	2	
3	4		BIR		8	9	
10	11	12	GBr	14	15	16	
17	18	19	BIR	21	22	23	
24	25	26	GBr	28	29	30	
31							

	April 2025							
M	Т	W	Th	F	S	S		
	1	2	BIR	4	5	6		
7	8	9	GBr	11	12	13		
14	15	16	BIR	18	19	20		
21	22	23	GBr	25	26	27		
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May 2025							
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12	13	14	BIR	16	17	18	
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26	27	28	BIR	30	31		

	June 2025								
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9	10	11	BIR	13	14	15			
16	17	18	GBr	20	21	22			
23	24	25	BIR	27	28	29			
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Collection Key

G Grey bin

GBr Grey & brown bins

Blue bin & glass box

July 2025								
М	Т	W	Th	F	S	S		
	1	2	GBr	4	5	6		
7	8		BIR		12	13		
14	15	16	GBr	18	19	20		
21	22	23	BIR	25	26	27		
28	29	30	GBr					

August 2025								
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11	12		GBr			17		
18	19	20	BIR	22	23	24		
25	26	27	GBr	29	30	31		

	September 2025								
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1	2		BIR		6	7			
8	9	10	GBr	12	13	14			
15	16		BIR			21			
22	23	24	GBr	26	27	28			
29	30								

	October 2025								
М	Т	W	Th	F	S	S			
		1	BIR	3	4	5			
6	7	8	GBr	10	11	12			
13	14	15	BIR	17	18	19			
20	21	22	GBr	24	25	26			
27	28	29	BIR	31					

recycling for collection by 6.30an
Containers are emptied by different

Please present your waste or

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

Check our website below to confirm Christmas collection dates.

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

	November 2025							
М	Т	W	Th	F	S	S		
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3	4		GBr		8	9		
10	11	12	BIR	14	15	16		
17	18	19			22	23		
24	25	26	BIR	28	29	30		

December 2025								
М	Т	W	Th	F	S	S		
1	2	3	G	5	6	7		
8	9	10	BIR	12	13	14		
15	16	17	G	19	22	21		
22	23	24	25	26	BIR	28		
29	30	31						

January 2026							
М	Т	W	Th	F	S	S	
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5	6	7	8	BIR	10	11	
12	13	14	15	G	17	18	
19	20	21	22	BIR	24	25	
26	27	28	29	G	31		

		February 2026					
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	11	2	3	4	BIR	6	7
	18	9	10	11	G	13	1
	25	16	17	18	BIR	20	2
		23	24	25	G	27	2

- 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 **FRIDAY.**



