You can now recycle five different materials at the kerbside - metal, plastic, glass, paper and card.

We have provided you with three boxes and one bag for you to sort your recycling into.

Your recycling will then be collected at the kerbside, or your collection point, fortnightly.
What can you recycle?

Metal & Plastic

**Metal**

**Yes please:**
- Drinks cans
- Food tins (place lids inside tin)
- Biscuit/chocolate tins (including lids)
- Aerosols, must be empty (remove plastic cap and recycle with plastics)
- Aluminium foil (scrunch foil together to form a ball)
- Aluminium foil trays (eg takeaway trays)
- Aluminium tubes (eg tomato puree, remove plastic caps)

**No thanks:**
- Laminated foil (eg cat food/coffee pouches that spring back when you scrunch them)
- Crisp packets and sweet wrappers

**Plastic**

**Yes please:**
- Pots (eg yoghurt, soup, etc)
- Tubs (eg butter, ice cream, etc)
- Trays/punnets (eg fruit and veg trays), please remove any film lids and absorbent pads
- Bottles
- Day-to-day cleaning products (eg bathroom cleaners, washing up liquid, bleach), remove pumps and triggers
- Cosmetic bottles (eg shampoo, shower gel)
- Ready-to-use plant food and pesticide bottles (check the labels)
- Drinks bottles (eg juice, squash, milk)

**No thanks:**
- Black plastic
- Film lids
- Laminated pouches (eg baby or cat food)
- Plastic toys
- Medicine packs
- Toothpaste tubes
- Plastic bottles containing strong chemicals (eg anti-freeze)
- Carrier bags and plastic wrapping film (eg bubble wrap)

**Glass**

**Yes please:**
All glass packaging from around the home including;
- Bottles of any colour, leave tops on (eg wine, beer, spirits)
- Jars, leave tops on (eg sauces, jam, baby food)
- Non-food bottles (eg perfume, aftershave, face creams)

**No thanks:**
- Glass cookware (eg Pyrex)
- Drinking glasses
- Vases
- Nail varnish bottles
- Microwave plates
- Mirrors
- Light bulbs/tubes
- Window glass
“I’d like to introduce you to our new kerbside recycling service. We’ll collect five recyclable materials from the kerbside. Recycling makes financial sense for us all, and we all have a responsibility to use resources efficiently and sustain the environment. On behalf of myself and everyone at Copeland Council, we’d like to thank you in advance for supporting this service.”

Mike Starkie, Mayor of Copeland

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FAQs

What do I do if I have more recycling than will fit into my boxes/bag? Place your extras next to your boxes/bag, but please ensure they are stored securely.

Will there be lids and do I have to pay for them? The lids are free. Please see our website or social media channels for details of where and when you can collect them.

How clean do things have to be? Not as clean as your crockery – a rinse is usually fine. However greasy pizza boxes and food wrappers cannot be recycled.

Are you removing recycling centres? As the scheme is rolled out, far fewer people will need to use these centres. Most will eventually close but some will remain to serve those people not on a collection route.

Do I have to squash bottles and cans? Yes, please do. This will mean we can fit more items into the vehicles.

What do I do with my existing black box? We don’t need these back, you can simply use them for storage or to put out any extra recycling that doesn’t fit into your new containers.

Will my assisted collection continue? Yes, if you currently qualify for an assisted collection, you will continue to do so.

For more information on our new kerbside recycling service please go to our website www.copeland.gov.uk. You can also get in touch with our customer service team by email at info@copeland.gov.uk or by phone on 01946 598 300.

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