A to Z directory of waste

Different type of waste and the best way to get rid of them.

A

Aerosols – Recycle in the orange recycling box, grey recycling bin, most recycling bring to sites and both CRC sites.

Small domestic aerosol cans that can be recycled include deodorant, hairspray, fly spray, polish, air fresheners and hair mousse cans.

Aerosols that have previously contained propane or butane gas, paints or oils will not be accepted.

Make sure that all aerosol cans are empty before putting in your recycling container.

Animal waste – CRC’s sites do not accept large quantities of animal faeces. Only small quantities of no more than three bags at a time if mixed with straw. The CRC’s site do not accept pigeon or dog faeces.

Asbestos – Can be taken to the Grimsby CRC site in small amounts. You must pre-book your visit by ringing the waste hotline 01472 326288. Further information view on the dedicated asbestos advice page.

Ash (coal and wood) – Wood ash is recyclable with your garden waste, but coal ash should be put in your general waste bin. Always let the ash cool down first before placing in any bin.

B

Bathroom suites – Accepted at both CRC sites, but cannot include tiles or plasterboard. Must be from your household and not business waste.

Batteries (Car) – Only accepted at Grimsby CRC.

Batteries (Household) – Returned to retailers

Batteries (large, lithium) – Battery collection points available at both CRC sites.

Beverage cartons (milk or juice cartons) – Dispose of with your household waste.

Books – Good quality books can be donated to local charity shops, libraries and the tip charity bring and buy sale. Otherwise books can be taken to both CRC sites and to some recycling bring to sites.
Bottles (Glass) – Wash and recycle in the green recycling box, grey recycling bin, most recycling bring to sites and both CRC sites.

Bottles (Plastic) – Wash and squash household plastic bottles such as drinks, washing up liquid, bleach, surface cleaner, shampoo, conditioner, liquid soap and bathroom cleaners.

Building Waste – Bricks, rubble and other building material cannot be included in household or garden waste bins. Three small bags can be taken to the Grimsby CRC site if its from your own residential household.

BT Phone Book – Recycle in the blue box, blue recycling bin or you can opt out by calling BT on 0800 833 400.

Cans – Rinse, squash and recycle in the orange box, grey recycling bin, at most recycling bring to sites and both CRC sites.

Car Batteries - Take to Grimsby CRC site

Cardboard – Clean card and cardboard can be torn up to fit flat with paper in your blue recycling box, blue recycling bin, at most recycling bring to sites and both CRC sites. Beverage cartons are currently not collected for recycling in North East Lincolnshire.

Car parts – Take to a local scrap metal dealer or salvage yard.

Carpet – Accepted at CRC sites or collected through the bulky waste collection service. Small amounts can be cut up and put in your green household wheelie bin.

Carrier Bags – Try to re-use disposable plastic bags by taking them with you next time you go shopping. Otherwise they can be thrown away in your green wheelie bin.

CDs and/or DVD discs - Send them to the address provided on www.recyclenow.com

Chemicals (Household) – Such as fertilisers, wood preservatives and pesticides can be taken to Grimsby CRC site.

Christmas Cards – Recycled in the blue box and blue recycling bin. Some retailers offer Christmas card collections. To reduce the waste impact of your Christmas cards, re-use them as gift tags or send some electronic ‘e-cards’ instead.

Christmas trees – Can be taken to the tip (Community Recycling Centres). Alternatively if your tree has a root-ball and has been watered regularly, why not re-plant it?

Christmas Wrapping Paper (Not waxed) – Recycled in the blue box or blue recycling bin, most recycling sites and both CRC sites. Reuse or buy recycled paper where possible.
Clinical Waste – The council offers a weekly collection service to registered addresses

Clothes - Taken to textile banks at recycling sites or both CRC sites or donate to charity. Clean rags can also be donated at St Andrews Hospice shops.

Coins - Donate to charities.

Composting - Up to a third of domestic waste thrown away is organic matter suitable for home composting. Grass, fruit, vegetable peel, teabags, eggshells, paper, cardboard and many more items can all be diverted from household waste bins, and transformed into compost.

Computers or monitors - Some charities can accept them for re-sale or they can be taken to both CRC sites

Cooking Oil - Less than two litres of cooking oil can be left for collection in your household waste bin. It must be either in a sealed container or solidified. Alternatively you could use it to make seed cakes to feed the birds. If it is more than two litres then the cooking oil should be taken to our Grimsby CRC site. It is unlawful to dispose of oils of any description down a drain.

Dog Waste – Any of NELC’s street bins for general non-recyclable waste can be used for dog waste. Your green domestic non-recyclable wheelie bin can be used, but the Council requires the waste to be wrapped (double wrapped is preferable) and for it to be in small quantities.

Drink cans – Rinse, squash and recycle in the orange box or grey bin, or at most recycling banks and both CRC sites

DVD and/or CD discs - Send them to the address provided on www.recyclenow.com

Electronic and electrical equipment - Some charities can accept them for re-sale or they can be taken to both CRC sites

Engine Oil - Only accepted at Grimsby’s community recycling centre site up to a maximum of 5 litres (1 gallon). It is unlawful to dispose of oils of any description down a drain.

Fertilisers (household chemicals) – Accepted at Grimsby CRC site

Fire extinguishers - Not accepted at the CRC sites, but Nitro Fire Protection Ltd are willing to accept them for a small disposal fee.
Fluorescent tubes and energy saving light bulbs – Contain mercury and must not be disposed of in general household waste. Special containers are provided for fluorescent tubes and low energy light bulbs at the Grimsby CRC site.

Food – Compost at home with raw fruit and vegetable waste, cooked or uncooked food can be broken down in a “Green Cone” it is a relatively small unit suitable for most gardens/small patch of ground. Or visit Love Food Hate Waste for ideas and recipes to help you waste less food.

Food Cans - Wash, squash and recycle in your orange box or grey wheelie bin, at most recycling bank sites and both CRC sites.

Fridges and/or freezers - Some charities can accept them for re-sale. They can be taken to both CRC sites, or the council offers a bulky waste collection.

Furniture - Some charities can accept them for re-sale. They can be taken to both CRC sites, or the council offers a bulky waste collection.

G

Garden waste - small cuttings, leaves, bark, weeds, fallen fruit, twigs & small branches and grass (not soil) can go in household garden waste bins. Larger items can be taken to both CRC sites.

Gas bottles (liquid petroleum) – Return empty bottles to suppliers for a refill, re-use, or will be accepted at Grimsby CRC site.

Glass bottles - Washed and recycle in the green recycling box or grey wheelie bin, most recycling bank sites and both CRC sites.

Glass (window / plate) – Pyrex and window glass melt at a higher temperature and so contaminate the recycling process. Instead they can be placed in the green refuse bin or taken to both CRC sites. Do not put in the green recycling box or grey recycling bin.

Glasses - Opticians collect old glasses, which can be re-used to help in third world countries, or send old pairs of glasses to Vision Aid Overseas.

Grass cuttings – Should be put in your garden waste wheelie bin or taken to either CRC sites.

H

Hairdryers – Some charities accept for re-sale or they can be taken to both CRC sites.

Hedge cuttings - Should be put in your garden waste wheelie bin or taken to either CRC sites.
House fittings – Many local charities accept these to help those in need.

Household waste – Every property in North East Lincolnshire is provided with a green wheelie bin or has shared access to a communal waste bin for household waste.

Ink cartridges – Try to use refillable ink cartridges or donate them at your nearest Tesco store. Request freepost envelopes by sending an email to freepost@redcross.org.uk or visiting the British Red Cross website.

Jars (Glass) – Wash and recycle in the green recycling box or grey wheelie bin, at most recycling bank sites, and both CRC sites.

Jars (Coffee jar lids only) – Womens Aid collects coffee jar lids at their Grimsby shops.

Junk mail – Letters and envelopes with windows can be recycled in the blue recycling box or blue wheelie bin, at most recycling bank sites and both CRC sites. Use the Mail Preference Service or The Royal Mail “Opt out” service to receive less.

Kitchen equipment – Small electrical items such as kettles and toasters are accepted for re-sale by some charities, or they can be taken to both CRC sites.

Kitchen oil - Less than two litres of cooking oil can be left for collection in your household waste bin. It must be either in a sealed container or solidified. Alternatively you could use it to make seed cakes to feed the birds. If it is more than two litres then the cooking oil should be taken to our Grimsby CRC site. It is unlawful to dispose of oils of any description down a drain.

Kitchen waste – Compost at home with raw fruit and vegetable waste, cooked or uncooked food can be broken down in a “Green Cone” it is a relatively small unit suitable for most gardens/small patch of ground. Or visit Love Food Hate Waste for ideas and recipes to help you waste less food.

Knives – Take to your local Police Station

Laptops - Small electrical items such as laptops are accepted for re-sale by some charities, or they can be taken to both CRC sites.
Light Bulbs – Energy saving bulbs may be taken to the CRCs where the operatives will take them for disposal with the fluorescent tubes. The older incandescent light bulbs can be put in the residual waste bin.

Lino - Small amounts the green wheelie bin, can be taken to both CRC sites, or the council offers a bulky waste collection.

Lithium batteries - Battery collection points at both CRC sites.

Liquid petroleum (gas bottles) - Return empty bottles to suppliers for a refill, re-use, or will be accepted at Grimsby CRC site.

M

Magazines – Recycle in the blue recycling box or blue wheelie bin, take to most recycling bank sites and both CRC sites.

Manure - Horse owners may like to contact local farmers or allotment groups to see if they would like to take any, or they will need to compost it themselves. **Cannot be taken for disposal at the CRC site as it is not licensed to take it.**

Mattresses - Can be collected by many mattress suppliers when they deliver a new one. Can be taken to both CRC sites, or the council offers a bulky waste collection.

Medicines - Return to your doctor or pharmacy.

Metal (scrap) – Accepted at both CRC sites.

Mirrors – put in the green wheelie bin or take to both CRC sites.

Mobile phones – shops which sell mobile phones will take them by back, or you could donate to a charity who can earn money by recycling them.

Monitors (computer) - small electrical equipment is accepted for re-sale by some charities or they can be taken to both CRC sites.

N

Nappies – Disposable nappies should be placed in the green household wheelie bin, excess household waste can be taken to both CRC sites. Washable nappies are a much better alternative to disposables.

Needles (syringes / clinical waste) – The council offer a weekly collection service to registered addresses.
New build development – You must first register for Council Tax at your new property before you can call the waste services hotline to order your free of charge household and recycling wheelie bins.

Newspapers – Recycle in the blue recycling box or blue wheelie bin, or take to most recycling bank sites and both CRC sites.

O

Oil (kitchen) - Less than two litres of cooking oil can be left for collection in your household waste bin. It must be either in a sealed container or solidified. Alternatively you could use it to make seed cakes to feed the birds. If it is more than two litres then the cooking oil should be taken to our Grimsby CRC site. It is unlawful to dispose of oils of any description down a drain.

Oil (vehicle) - Only accepted at Grimsby’s community recycling centre site up to a maximum of 5 litres (1 gallon). It is unlawful to dispose of oils of any description down a drain.

P

Packaging - Avoid where possible and remember your own shopping bags. Report over packaging of a product to Trading Standards on 01472 325770.

Packets - Womens Aid collects packets from biscuits at their Grimsby shops.

Paint - Accepted at both (CRC sites, or put in the residential dustbin as long as it is kept in the general waste stream. Householders opting to use their residential dustbin to dispose of partly used or empty paint tins, are advised to first add small quantities of sand or soil to each tin (as an absorbent) and refit the lid.

Paper – Recycle in your blue recycling box or blue wheelie in, or take to most recycling sites and both CRC sites .

Pesticides – Accepted at Grimsby CRC site.

Phone Books - Recycle in the blue box, blue recycling bin or you can opt out by calling BT on 0800 833 400.

Plastic bags - Try to re-use disposable plastic bags by taking them with you next time you go shopping. Otherwise they can be thrown away in your green wheelie bin.

Plastic bottles - Wash and squash household plastic bottles such as drinks, washing up liquid, bleach, surface cleaner, shampoo, conditioner, liquid soap and bathroom cleaners.

Plastic containers - We no longer recycle types 1, 2 and 3 in our area. Please place in your green wheelie bin.
Plastic cups (vending) - Avoid where possible! Solid mugs are better and the save a cup scheme will recycle your office’s vending cups if they still have disposables. We no longer recycle types 1, 2 and 3 in our area. Please place in your green wheelie bin.

Printer cartridges - Try to use refillable ink cartridges or recycle through schemes such as Tesco’s.

Pyrex - Pyrex glass melt at a higher temperature and so contaminate the recycling process. Instead they can be placed in the green refuse bin or taken to both CRC sites. Do not put in the green recycling box or grey recycling bin.

Q

Quilts - Textile banks located at some recycling bank sites. Animal rescue centres may take them if they have sterilising facilities to use as animal bedding.

R

Rabbit waste - CRC sites can accept three bags of rabbit waste per day as long as it is mixed with straw, hay or sawdust.

Rags - Accepted at St Andrews Hospice shops, from where they are sent for recycling. Please note they must be clean.

Rubbish - Start thinking of our waste as resources and not rubbish! Any excess household waste can be taken to both CRC sites.

Rubble - can be taken to both CRC sites but only in limited amounts.

S

Scrap metal – Accepted at both CRC sites (the tip).

Shoes - Can be placed in shoe banks located at some recycling bank sites.

Spectacles - Opticians collect old glasses, which can be re-used to help in third world countries, or send old pairs of glasses to Vision Aid Overseas.

Stamps - Can be taken to any Oxfam or St. Andrew’s hospice shop or posted to either Oxfam or RSPB.

Syringes - The council offer a weekly collection service to registered addresses.
Textiles - Textile banks located at some recycling bank sites and both CRC sites. Clean rags can also be donated at St Andrews Hospice shops who send them for recycling.

Tin cans - Wash, squash and recycling in the orange recycling box or grey wheelie bin. Take them to most recycling bank sites and both CRC sites.

Trade waste – if you operate a business and produce ‘trade’ waste you must ensure that you make the appropriate arrangements for disposal under the Duty of Care as set out in the Environmental Protection Act. Trade Waste is managed by Bell Waste Control who can be contacted on 01724 277299.

Toasters (small electrical equipment) - Accepted for re-sale by some charities or they can be taken to both CRC sites.

Toys and/or games - Donated to local charities or doctor’s surgeries.

TVs (small electrical equipment) - Accepted for re-sale by some charities or they can be taken to both CRC sites.

Tyres - Up to 4 tyres can be taken to both CRC sites.

Underlay and/or carpets - Accepted at CRC sites or collected through the bulky waste collection service. Small amounts can be cut up and put in your green household wheelie bin.

Vacuum Cleaners (small electrical equipment) - Accepted for re-sale by some charities or they can be taken to both CRC sites for recycling

Varnish (household chemicals) - Accepted at Grimsby’s CRC site.

Vending cups - Avoid where possible! Solid mugs are better and the save a cup scheme will recycle your office’s vending cups if they still have disposables. We no longer recycle types 1, 2 and 3 in our area. Please place in your green wheelie bin.

Vehicle batteries – Accepted at Grimsby’s CRC site.

Wallpaper - Should be put in your household waste bin (green bin) or taken to either CRC sites.
White goods - Some electrical items are accepted for re-sale by some charities. They can be taken to either CRC sites for recycling, or the council does offer a Bulky Waste Collection.

Wood - Large items of wood, timber and MDF can be taken to either CRC sites. Small branches and twigs can go in your garden waste bin or be composted.

Wood preservatives (household chemicals) – Accepted at Grimsby’s CRC site.

Wool and yarn - Can be donated to charity shops

Wrapping Paper (not waxed) – Recycle in your blue recycling box or blue wheelie bin. Take to most recycling sites and both CRC sites, or reuse wrapping paper where possible.

X

Xmas Trees - Can be taken to the tip (Community Recycling Centres). Alternatively if your tree has a root-ball and has been watered regularly, why not re-plant it?

Y

Yellow pages – Recycle in the blue recycling box or blue wheelie bin, in addition to most recycling sites and both CRC sites. It can be cancelled by calling Yellow Pages on 0800 671 444.

Yoghurt pots (plastic) - We do not recycle these in our area yet. Please dispose of in your green wheelie bin.

Z

Zinc Batteries - Try using rechargeable batteries as an environmentally friendly option.