



2023

Town of Georgina Waste and Recycling Calendar



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[georgina.ca/WasteandRecycling](https://www.georgina.ca/WasteandRecycling)



A message from the Mayor



On behalf of Council, I am pleased to present the Town of Georgina's 2023 Waste and Recycling calendar.

It provides you with information for all of the waste collection initiatives in our community. In addition to the calendar of dates for waste, recycling and yard waste collection, you can also learn about special recycling initiatives, such as Curbside Giveaway days, the electronics recycling program, as well as Swap and Sell events, and Pitch-In Week in the spring.

The calendar is full of information on what goes into your blue box and green bin, as well as tips on composting, and proper disposal of grease and hazardous waste products.

I am certain you will find the calendar to be very informative to help you help us in our efforts to reduce waste going to landfill and to keep our community clean and beautiful.

Sincerely,

Margaret Quirk, BASc
Mayor

Curbside collection reminders



Place garbage, green bins, blue boxes and yard waste at the curb by 7 a.m. on your regular scheduled day, but not earlier than 8 p.m. the night before. No strapping devices.

During severe weather, pick-up may be delayed. Two bags of garbage can be placed out for collection without a tag every other week. Each additional bag requires a bag tag prominently displayed to a maximum of the five-item limit. Tags are \$2 each and can be purchased at local stores, library branches and the Civic Centre.

Note: there is never a limit to the number of green bins, blue boxes or yard waste containers.

Recycle Coach - Free app for garbage, recycling and report a problem!



Acceptable containers for garbage

Plastic bags

- Must be securely tied
- No loose grocery/kitchen catcher bags
- Do not place sharp objects inside bags. Place these materials in a separate, sealed and labeled cardboard box.
- Maximum 76cm x 122cm (30" x 48")
- Maximum weight 22 kg (50 lbs)

Metal or plastic cans

- Must have 2 handles and a secure lid
- Do not use ties/bungee cords
- Maximum 50cm (20 in.) x 90cm (36 in.) and maximum 98 Litres
- Maximum weight 22 kg (50 lbs)

Plastic recycling bags and blue box netting

You may have noticed plastic recycling bags and blue box netting for sale in your local retail stores. Please be advised that the Town does not permit recycling in plastic bags or netting on blue boxes. The plastic bags and nets can accidentally be caught in the waste collection equipment posing a hazard to the waste collection workers.



These items are not picked up:

Hazardous and biomedical waste; household paints, solvents and pesticides; syringes and needles; car parts and tires; propane tanks; and construction/demolition waste. Disposal information for these items can be found throughout this calendar, or by calling 1-866-665-6752.

Waste collection information • collection map

Blue Box Program

To assist in the continued success of the Town's Recycling Program, and to ensure your blue box material is picked up, we kindly remind you of the following:

- Size of acceptable container 50cm (20 inches) in height and 50cm (20 inches) in width or length.
- Sorting of materials is not necessary.
- Make sure your blue box is easily visible at curbside. Do not stack garbage bags or containers on top.
- Must be curbside no later than 7 a.m. on your designated collection date. Time of the day for collection in your area may be changed at anytime, without notice.
- No garbage, plastic bags or food shall be put in the blue box.
- Blue boxes and green bins can be purchased at the Civic Centre or through Service Georgina at info@georgina.ca or by calling 905-476-4301. Bins are delivered directly to your address by GFL on your next collection day.
- Broken green bins and blue boxes can be exchanged for new ones. Residents can contact GFL and request a replacement bin be delivered directly to their home. Contact GFL at 1-866-421-5625 to arrange delivery.

User Pay Garbage Program

The user pay garbage program allows each household two bags of garbage to be set out without a tag every other week. It allows three more with tags to a maximum of five bags. Garbage tags must be prominently displayed to ensure collection. No strapping devices are permitted.

Large Item Fee

A large item tag is needed for large items such as furniture, mattresses, box springs, toilets, appliances and carpeting. Large item tags are \$12.

Some points to remember when putting out your garbage:

- All items must be at the curb by 7 a.m. on the day of collection or no earlier than 8 p.m. the night before collection.
- Disposable bags designed and sold for the purpose of containing garbage shall not exceed the size of 75 cm (30") by 100 cm (48").
- Rigid refuse containers are to be reusable metal or plastic, and shall not exceed the size of 50 cm (20") in diameter and 90 cm (36") in height and also must have handles and a lid.
- Total weight of any full can, container or bag cannot exceed 22 kgs (50 lbs).

Yard Waste Program

Yard waste is collected with recycling every second week from April to November. There is no limit on the amount of yard waste that can be placed with collection providing acceptable label containers are used (yard waste stickers are available at no charge).

Use environmentally friendly Kraft paper bags or regular garbage container. Tree and shrub clippings should be tied with string and bundled. The maximum diameter of the trees and shrub clippings is 60cm (24 inches) and 90cm (36 inches) in length. Tree stumps will not be collected. Bundles or bags shall not exceed 22kg (50lbs) in weight.

Note: the Town does not accept grass clippings, dirt or sod in curbside yard waste collection.

White Goods and Metal Items Pickup

To arrange for white goods pick-up: Residents must contact Green for Life at 1-866-421-5625. Each item requires a \$12 large item tag prominently displayed.

You can now recycle more materials using your blue box. In addition to the existing plastics, fibres, metals and glass that are collected.

Georgina will now accept:

- Aluminum foil, trays, and plates
- Empty metal paint cans (lid removed)
- Empty aerosol cans
- Gable top containers such as milk cartons
- Aseptic packaging including juice boxes
- All rigid plastic food containers
- Household cleaning product containers (Home Hazardous Waste)

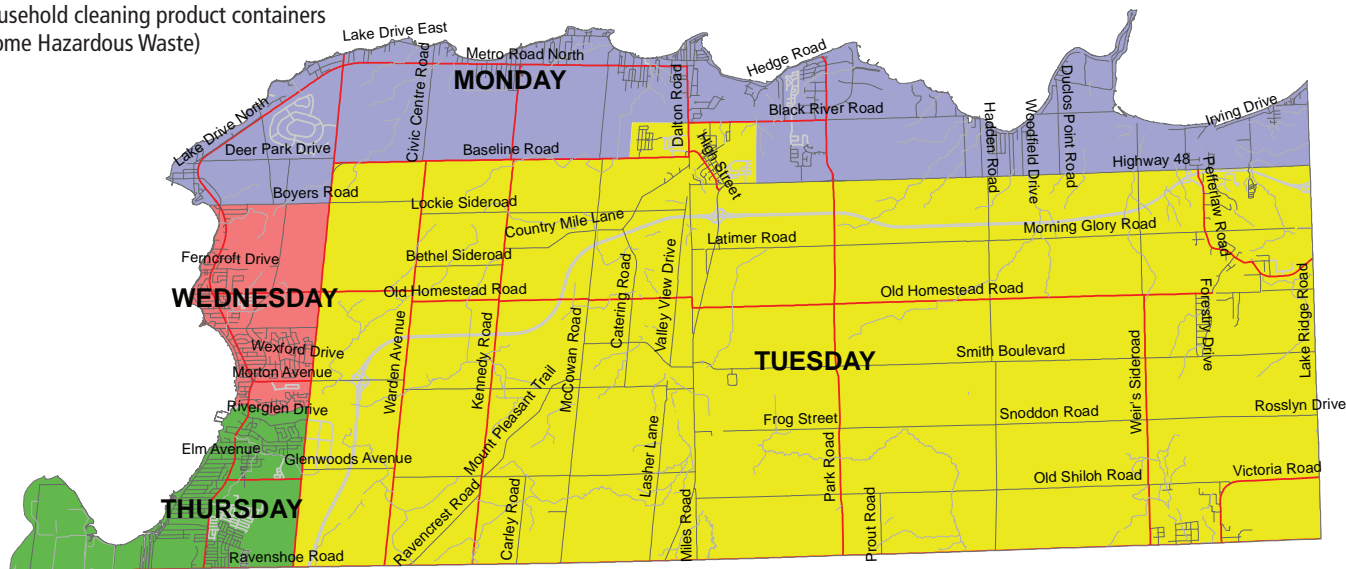
- Tags are not required for: The blue box, bag tag exemption days (limit of 5), leaf and yard waste days, and Christmas tree pickup days.

Seaweed

Seaweed is collected bi-weekly as yard waste. Rigid containers can be used. Drill holes in bottom to drain water.

White Goods Examples:

Refrigerators, stoves, washers, dryers, metal bathtubs, hot water heaters, freezers, barbecues (no propane tanks), swing sets, bicycles and lawn mowers. To arrange a curbside collection, contact Green for Life at 1-866-421-5625. White goods require a \$12 large item tag.



York Region Waste Depot Information



Georgina Transfer Station

23068 Warden Avenue, Town of Georgina

Transfer Station Hours

Monday through Saturday - 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Sunday - Closed

Household Hazardous Waste Depot Hours

Tuesday and Saturday only - 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

No-Charge Materials	Charged Materials
<ul style="list-style-type: none">BatteriesBlue box recyclablesClothing and fabric itemsCooking oil (limit of 4L per day)Electronic wasteHousehold Hazardous Waste (Tues. and Sat. only)Refrigerated appliances with valid CFC removal sticker (residential only)Scrap metalShredded paperTires (limit of 10 per day)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">ConcreteDrywallGarbageRefrigerated appliancesWoodYard waste <div> CASH</div> <p>For fees and other details visit york.ca/wastedepots</p>

Elgin Mills Community Environmental Centre

1124 Elgin Mills Road East, City of Richmond Hill

McCleary Court Environmental Centre

130 McCleary Court, City of Vaughan

Community Environmental Centre Hours

Monday and Tuesday - Closed

Wednesday through Saturday - 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Sunday - 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Vehicle size restrictions may apply. Items must be manually unloaded, no mechanical lifts allowed.

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Not sure where it goes? Use our online search tool at york.ca/bindicator

Bloomington Yard Waste Depot

1351 Bloomington Road East, City of Richmond Hill

April 1 to November 30

Monday through Friday - 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Saturday - 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Sunday - Closed

December 1 to March 31

Monday through Friday - 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Saturday and Sunday - Closed

Charged Materials 	Materials Not Accepted
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Flowers and garden plantsGrass clippingsHay (clean, small amount)Leaves, shrubs, branches, weedsSod (small residential quantities, dirt removed) <p><i>(Yard waste in plastic bags must be emptied)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Animal droppingsBranches larger than 30 centimetres in diameter or 1.8 metres in lengthKitchen and food wasteRocks, root balls, stumps, soil <p>For most current information, call 1-866-887-6457 or visit millercompost.ca</p>

East Gwillimbury Household Hazardous Waste and Recycling Depot

225 Garfield Wright Boulevard,

Town of East Gwillimbury







Household Hazardous Waste Depot Hours

Monday - 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Tuesday and Wednesday - Closed

Thursday through Saturday - 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Sunday - 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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Charged Materials
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Refrigerated appliances



Markham Household Hazardous Waste Depot

Rodick Road, South of Miller Avenue,

City of Markham



Household Hazardous Waste Depot Hours

Monday - 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Tuesday and Wednesday - Closed

Thursday through Saturday - 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Sunday - 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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Legend:



Batteries



Blue Box Recyclables



Electronic Waste



Garbage



Household Hazardous Waste



Scrap Metal/ Metal Appliances



Textiles



Yard Waste

Waste depots are for York Region residents only. Proof of residency required.

Fees and hours subject to change without notice. All depots closed civic and statutory holidays.

For current fees and other details, visit york.ca/wastedepots

Waste and recycling tips

To help make waste and recycling pickup as easy and efficient as possible, residents are reminded of the following:



- **Do** place items at the end of the driveway/curb so they are visible to the operator collecting them.



- **Do** bundle items in your blue bin and place heavier items on top to prevent them from blowing away and littering the street.



- **Do** use the proper containers for garbage recycling, green bin items and yard waste.



- **Do not** leave items half way up the driveway for operators to collect.



- **Do not** place bins and garbage bags on top of or behind snow banks in the winter.



- **Do not** overload your containers or use strapping devices. Two containers without a tag, up to three more with tags, for a five item limit, can be set out for collection every other week. Ensure the garbage tag is prominently displayed.

Reminder: Have your waste and recycling items at the curb by 7 a.m. on your scheduled collection day. For more information, visit geogina.ca/WasteandRecycling, download the Recycle Coach app, follow us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram, or call Service Georgina at 905-476-4301, ext. 3001.

Blue boxes and green bins are collected every week

Recycling bins can be ordered by calling Service Georgina at 905-476-4301 or by calling Georgina Public Library. Visit georgina.ca/WasteandRecycling to find out "What Goes Where."

Take the "whole home" approach to diversion. Every room in your house that has a garbage can has materials that can be separated for the green bin and blue box. Please consider using reusable bags and travel mugs to reduce waste.

Return used plastic bags to participating retailers for recycling.

Compostable bags are the preferred option when lining your green bins.

For replacement of broken bins, contact GFL at 1-866-421-5625. Replacement bins are delivered directly to your home.



Accepted

- Blue boxes (Blue boxes purchased at retail outlets must be similar to those offered by the Municipality in dimension and size)
- Materials bundled appropriately beside the blue box



Not Accepted

- Semi-opaque garbage bag
- Blue garbage containers
- Containers with attached lids
- Wheeled containers
- Other like containers



Self-serve at your finger tips

Whether you want to pay, apply, find or connect, the Town wants to make it easier. From building permits and marriage licences to burn permits and parking passes – you can find it online. Visit georgina.ca/OnlineServices.

Looking for something to do?






Check out our online events calendar for all the great things happening in Georgina. From Town events to community happenings, you can find it all on the calendar. Have an event you'd like people to know about? Community groups can submit to the online calendar at georgina.ca/events.



January 2023

Have a question?
Consult the back cover.

Looking for outdoor fun? Visit the ROC for tubing, skiing
and snowboarding. Visit georginaroc.ca.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 New Year's Day 	2 No service Collection is one day later this week.	3	4	5	6	7
8	9  Maximum 1.8m (6'), cut in pieces (if necessary)	10	11	12	13	14
15 	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29 	30	31	 <p>Christmas tree collection is the week of Jan. 9. Remove all decorations, nails, tree stands and plastic tree bags. Note: crews will not dig out a tree or climb a snow bank to retrieve one. Maximum 1.8 (6'), cut in pieces (if necessary).</p>			

To the
curb by
7a.m.



Garbage Collection Week
BI-WEEKLY on your regular day.



For Your Zone:
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Christmas Tree Collection
Week of Jan. 9-12, 2023



Green Bin and Blue Box
are collected WEEKLY.

Curbside
Giveaway



CURBSIDE GIVEAWAY

April 29, May 27,
June 24, July 29,
Aug. 26, Sept. 23,
Oct. 28

On these dates residents can
put out unwanted items at the curb
from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. (free) for
other residents to take away.

Recycle your electronics eWaste Event



FREE!

May 13 | Sept. 9
Reminder: no batteries or lightbulbs



Swap & Sell



Georgina's Annual
Giant Garage Sale!

Saturday, May 13
8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Georgina Ice Palace Parking Lot
90 Wexford Dr., Keswick


To register a spot,
call 905-476-4301.

Vendors, please bring
a donation for the
Georgina Community Food Pantry.

February 2023

Have a question?
Consult the back cover.

Mark your calendars for Georgina's annual Sno*Fest –
see more details at georgina.ca/events

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 Blue boxes/green bins are replaced free of charge if broken. Contact GFL at 1-866-421-5625 to schedule a bin exchange.			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11 Sno*Fest
12	13	14 Valentine's Day	15	16	17	18
19	20 Family Day No service Collection is one day later this week.	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	Compact Fluorescent light bulbs (CFL) Take care not to drop or break a CFL bulb. If one does break, wear gloves when cleaning up, remove all residue (Tip: duct tape lifts residue from carpets) and dispose of all remnants immediately at a Household Hazardous Waste depot.			



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Keep these products out of landfills:



Paint



Refillable
propane cylinders



Non-refillable
pressured cylinders



Lights



Pesticides



Solvents





Find a recycling location near
you at productcare.org/ontario




March 2023

Have a question?
Consult the back cover.

Watch for March Break activity announcements at
georgina.ca/events

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 <p>Did you know? It takes two to five months for paper to biodegrade, 50 to 100 years for tin cans and one-million years for a Styrofoam container or plastic jug. <i>(Statistics Canada, Environment Canada)</i></p>			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17 St. Patrick's Day	18
 <p>Daylight Saving Time begins (turn clocks forward one hour) Remember to change the batteries in your smoke and CO alarms.</p>			22	23	24	25
19	20 First day of Spring	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	REMINDER: place waste at the curb by 7 a.m. on your scheduled collection day.

 Garbage Collection Week
BI-WEEKLY on your regular day.





 For Your Zone:
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 Yard Waste
Collection

 Green Bin and Blue Box
are collected WEEKLY.

Yard waste

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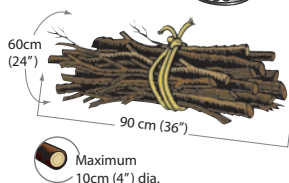
There is no limit on the amount of yard waste that can be placed for collection, providing that acceptable labeled containers are used (yard waste stickers are available at no charge at the Civic Centre).

Acceptable containers:

Place weeds, plant trimmings, and leaves in paper yard bags or any regular garbage container that has handles.

Bundle branches as shown. Use twine only, no ropes please.

No plastic bags please!



These items should not be placed with yard waste:

























Kitchen scraps, grass clippings, rocks, dirt, sod, tree stumps, larger branches, flower pots/trays, painted or treated wood and animal droppings.



April 2023

Have a question?
Consult the back cover.

Spring is here. Remember to get your resident parking pass online by visiting georgina.ca/ParkingPass

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Trash to treasure One person's trash can be someone else's treasure. Consider donating or selling used items through swap events, social media, garage sales or thrift stores before sending unwanted items to landfill. In 2021, the Town partnered with Diabetes Canada for a textile diversion program. Residents can bring unwanted textiles to the textile donation bins located at the Ice Palace, Civic Centre or Sutton Arena.						1
2	3	4	5	6	7 Good Friday	8
	 	 	 	 		
9 Easter Sunday	10 Easter Monday	11	12	13	14	15
						
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
	 	 	 	 		
Pitch In Week (April 17-23)						
23 Pitch In Week	24	25	26	27	28	29
30						Curbside Giveaway



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Imagine how it feels to be surrounded by trees and forests – the cool shade, the aromatic smell, the feeling of escaping time as you connect with nature. Now imagine always having that at your fingertips.

If you own property in York Region, we can help you rekindle your connection with nature by planting a tree or forest on your property.

Tree planting programs include:

- Low-cost backyard do-it-yourself and full-service planting
- Full-service, large scale planning and planting
- Do-it-yourself bulk seedlings



Discover how easy tree planting can be.
york.ca/treepplanting

Non-native invasive plants are species that have been introduced into areas outside of their native range. Dog-strangling vine and garlic mustard are two common invasive plants you may find on your property or in your garden.

If left alone these aggressive plants can take over your garden making it difficult for anything else to grow, including native flowers which provide food for important pollinators like the Monarch butterfly.

To make sure this doesn't happen to you, learn how to:

- Identify invasive plants
- Control and remove invasive plants
- Plant native flowers to attract birds and butterflies to your garden



Show your yard (and pollinators!) some love and help stop the spread of invasive plants.
york.ca/loveyouryard

Did you know? Spending time outside is good for your body and mind. Walking and enjoying nature's sights and sounds has been shown to decrease blood pressure, stress and the risk of chronic diseases like diabetes.

The York Regional Forest is the perfect place to enjoy fresh air and connect with nature. Take a stroll on one of the many Forest tracts to enjoy better mental and physical well-being.



Find a Forest tract near you.
york.ca/yrf

May 2023

Have a question?
Consult the back cover.

Did you know building permit applications are available online? Get ready for those summer projects at georgina.ca/BuildingPermits

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1  	2  	3  	4  	5	6
7 	8 	9 	10 	11 	12	13 Electronic Recycling Event Swap n' Sell
14 Mother's Day	15  	16  	17  	18  	19	20
21 	22 Victoria Day No service Collection is one day later this week.	23	24	25	26	27 Curbside Giveaway
   						
28	29  	30  	31  	You may have just seconds to safely escape a fire in your home. Smoke alarms are your first line of defence. They give you an early warning and extra time to escape. You must have working smoke alarms on every storey of your home and outside all sleeping areas – it's the law.		



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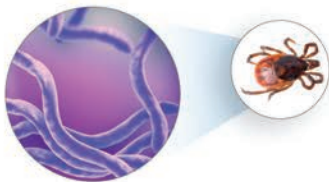
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FIGHT THE BITE! AGAINST BLACKLEGGED TICKS AND LYME DISEASE

What is Lyme disease?



Symptoms of Lyme disease may include:

- A skin rash
- Fatigue or weakness
- Headache
- Fever or chills
- Dizziness or confusion
- Muscle and joint pain
- Swollen lymph nodes

Lyme disease is caused by a bacteria called *Borrelia burgdorferi* which is spread through the bite of an infected blacklegged tick.

See your health care provider if you develop symptoms of Lyme disease after a tick bite or after visiting a wooded or brushy area.

Protect yourself in wooded or brushy areas

- Wear light-coloured, long-sleeved clothing and closed footwear
- Use insect repellents containing DEET or icaridin
- Walk in the middle of trails
- Shower when you get home
- Check yourself, your family and your pets for ticks
- Remove attached ticks as soon as possible

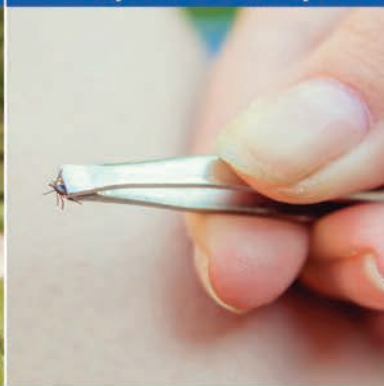


What are blacklegged ticks?



- Ticks are small bugs that feed off the blood of animals and humans
- Adult ticks are the size of a sesame seed and nymphs are the size of a poppy seed
- Ticks are found on tall grasses and bushes in wooded areas
- They can attach and feed up to five days

If you find a tick on you or a family member remove it quickly






















1. Grasp the tick with tweezers as close as possible to your skin and pull it straight out
2. Do not put anything on the tick or try to burn it off
3. Disinfect the area with rubbing alcohol
4. Visit etick.ca for **FREE** tick identification

For more information on how you can protect yourself and your family from Lyme disease, call York Region Health Connection at 1-800-361-5653 or visit york.ca/lymedisease

June 2023

Have a question?
Consult the back cover.

Mark your calendars for our July 1 Canada Day celebration.
Visit georgina.ca/events for details.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 Download the app and never miss another collection day. Find out what to do with your stuff or choose to receive customized notifications, program updates, and recycling tips.				1	2	3
 				 		
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
						
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	 	 	 	 		
18 Father's Day	19	20	21 First day of Summer	22	23	24 Curbside Giveaway
						
25	26	27	28	29	30	Grass cycling is good for your lawn. Grass clippings decompose quickly and return valuable nutrients back to the soil. Save time, money and help the environment.
	 	 	 	 		



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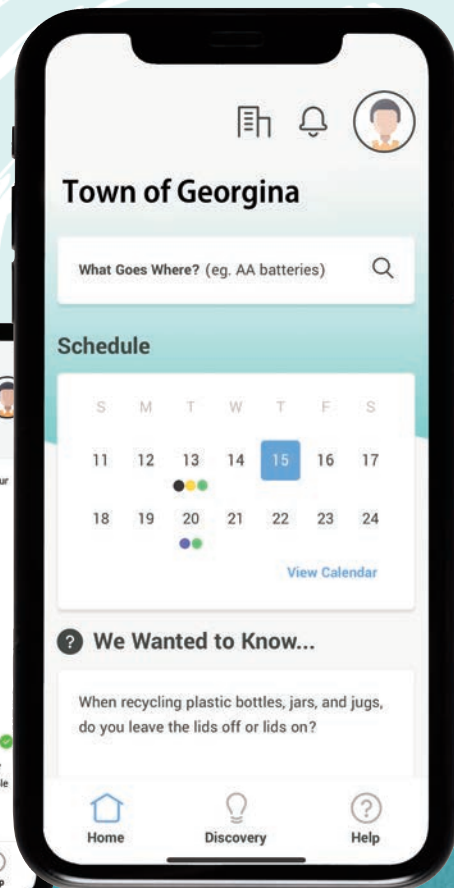
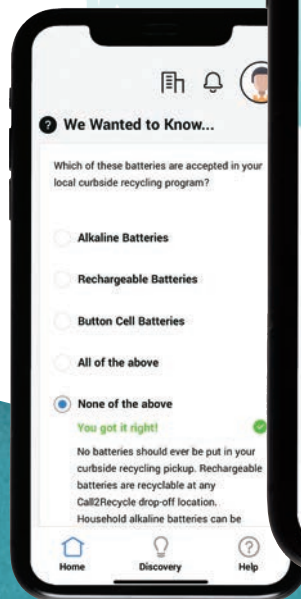
Available
in 9 different
languages!

Download the FREE waste and recycling app:

- ✓ Personalized collection schedule
- ✓ Waste collection reminders
- ✓ Customized notifications
- ✓ “What Goes Where” search tool
- ✓ Report-a-problem feature



Download the app today!



July 2023

Have a question?
Consult the back cover.

Need an open-air burn permit? Applications
can be found at georgina.ca/BurnPermit

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>For waste collection inquiries, missed collection or to arrange for a broken blue box or green bin exchange, contact GFL (Green for Life) at 1-866-421-5625 or email WasteLine@gflenv.com. Residents can contact GFL and request a replacement bin be delivered directly to their home.</p>						1 Canada Day
2	3 No service Collection is one day later this week.	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					Curbside Giveaway



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FIGHT THE BITE! AGAINST WEST NILE VIRUS

What is West Nile virus?



West Nile virus is spread to humans from the bite of an infected mosquito.

How to protect yourself when outdoors

- Wear light-coloured, long-sleeved shirts and pants
- Use insect repellents containing DEET or icaridin
- Cover up at dusk and dawn when mosquitoes are most active



How York Region protects you

York Region's West Nile Virus Program includes larviciding over 100,000 catch basins during the summer and using mosquito traps to capture and test for West Nile virus infected mosquitoes.



Mosquito-proof your home

- Clean up areas of standing water around your home
- Ensure door and window screens are tight-fitting and in good repair
- Clean up pools / pool covers
- Turn over wading pools
- Empty out flower pots
- Clear eavestroughs, storm and roof gutters
- Clean bird baths weekly
- Empty water in old tires







For more information on West Nile virus, call York Region Health Connection at 1-800-361-5653 or visit york.ca/westnile

August 2023

Have a question?
Consult the back cover.

Taking fun to new heights. Check out the ROC, York Region's Adventure Headquarters at georginaroc.ca

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 <div>To the curb by 7a.m.</div>		1	2	3	4	5
6	7 Civic Holiday No service Collection is one day later this week.	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26 Curbside Giveaway
27	28	29	30	31	Download the Town of Georgina app and never miss another collection day.  <div>   </div>	



Garbage Collection Week
BI-WEEKLY on your regular day.



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Yard Waste
Collection



Green Bin and Blue Box
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What is Household Hazardous Waste?



Household hazardous waste (HHW) is anything in your home that is corrosive, explosive, flammable or poisonous and is no longer needed. It should be brought to a HHW depot where it will be disposed of safely.

Examples of HHW:

- Aerosol cans (full or partially full)
- Batteries
- Cleaning products
- Cosmetics
- Fertilizers
- Fluorescent light bulbs and tubes
- Gasoline (containers may not be returned)
- Glues and adhesives
- Nail polish and polish remover
- Paints (liquid and solid)
- Paint thinner and varnish remover
- Perfume and cologne
- Pesticides, insecticides and herbicides
- Pharmaceuticals
- Propane cylinders/tanks
- Pool chemicals
- Sharps (needles/syringes) must be in puncture proof container
- Used motor oil and filters

Residents can drop off 60L of household hazardous waste and 20 compact fluorescent tubes per household per day.

What is Electronic Waste?



Electronic waste (e-waste) is any electronic equipment in your home that no longer works and cannot be repaired. E-waste should not be thrown in the garbage as these items contain materials considered to be hazardous.

Examples of e-waste:

- Cables
- Cameras and camcorders
- Cell phones, telephones, pagers and fax machines
- Computer towers, laptops, tablets, modems, keyboards and mice
- Game systems
- Monitors, printers, scanners and typewriters
- Televisions
- VCRs, DVD players, radios, stereos, speakers

Maximum 50 kg per household per day. Remove all packaging and batteries. Disassembled electronics will not be accepted.

Don't know where it goes? Visit york.ca/bindicator

Waste Depots:

East Gwillimbury HHW and Recycling Depot
225 Garfield Wright Boulevard
Town of East Gwillimbury

Elgin Mills CEC
1124 Elgin Mills Road East
City of Richmond Hill

Georgina Transfer Station
23068 Warden Avenue
Town of Georgina

Markham HHW Depot
Rodick Road
South of Miller Avenue
City of Markham



McCleary Court CEC
130 McCleary Court
City of Vaughan

For more information visit york.ca/waste or call 1-866-665-6752

September 2023

Have a question?
Consult the back cover.

Celebrate the arrival of autumn and join us for all the fall activities, visit georgina.ca/events

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 <p>Download the app and never miss another collection day. Find out what to do with your stuff or choose to receive customized notifications, program updates, and recycling tips.</p> <p>Available on the App Store Get it on Google play</p>					1	2
3	4 Labour Day No service Collection is one day later this week.	5	6	7	8	9 Electronic Recycling Event
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Bag tag exemption – Put out up to 5 items untagged.						
17	18	19	20	21	22	23 First day of fall Curbside Giveaway
24	25	26	27	28	29	30 National Day for Truth and Reconciliation



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COOL IT. SCRAPE IT. GREEN BIN IT.



PROTECT
YOUR
PIPES!

Fats, Oils and Grease (FOG)
go in your green bin –
not down your drain or toilet!

Fats, oils and grease include:

- Butter and margarine, cooking and deep-frying oils, marinades and gravies, meat fats, sauces, shortening and lard, and even salad dressings!

Proper disposal:

- Allow fats, oils and grease to cool
- Use a spatula to wipe or scrape FOG into your green bin
- Drop off oils that do not harden, such as liquid cooking oils, at a York Region waste depot

york.ca/fog



ALL TASTE ZERO WASTE

Shop your cupboards, fridge and freezer before buying more food. Enjoy being creative, saving money and wasting less food.



































york.ca/goodfood


York Region

October 2023

Have a question?
Consult the back cover.

Visit Georgina's events listing page for some great
Halloween events at georgina.ca/events

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	 	 	 	 		
8	9 Thanksgiving Day No service Collection is one day later this week.	10	11	12	13	14
		 	 	 	 	
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	 	 	 	 		
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	 					Curbside Giveaway
29	30	31 Halloween	 <p>Pumpkins, cornstalks and straw are yard waste. When leaf and yard waste is included, organic waste makes up as much as 40% of residential waste.</p>			
	 	 				



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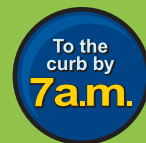
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What goes in the green bin?

Green bin tip: Lining your green bin with compostable bags is no longer mandatory but is the preferred option. Please refrain from using plastic bags to ensure collection.

Food and food scraps

If you can eat it, it goes in the green bin, as well as fish/meat bones, shells, fat, grease and lard (solidified), small amounts of cooking oil (can be placed in milk cartons), baking supplies, dairy products, egg shells, coffee filters/grounds and tea bags, corn cobs/husks, and nuts/shells.

Soiled or shredded paper

Shredded paper may be placed in the green bin in small amounts. Other paper products that go in the green bin include; butcher and cheese paper (no waxed or plastic liner), microwave popcorn bags, flour and sugar bags, muffin paper, soiled paper plates, paper towels and tissues, paper serviettes, and any non-waxed paper or cardboard that contains food residue (sauce, cheese, etc). No waxed paper.

Personal care items

Diapers, hair, nail clippings, sanitary products, tampons, incontinence products, tissues.

Pet products

Animal bedding, pet waste, kitty litter, bird seed, pet food, pet fur, feathers and sawdust (wood sources only).

Houseplants and flowers

In small quantities only, no yard waste



November 2023

Have a question?
Consult the back cover.

Welcome the upcoming holiday season with an old fashioned Christmas at Georgina Pioneer Village and the Festival of Lights. For details visit georgina.ca/events.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
SMOKE ALARMS Install smoke alarms on every storey of your home, and remember to install new batteries in your smoke and carbon monoxide alarms at least once a year.			1	2	3	4
5 Daylight Saving Time ends (turn clocks back one hour)	6	7	8	9	10	11 Remembrance Day
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	Reminder: place waste at the curb by 7 a.m. on your scheduled collection day.	



Garbage Collection Week
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To the curb by
7 a.m.

Metal item recycling • bulky item pick-up

Large metal items

Large metal items such as appliances, barbecues (no propane tanks), bed frames, furnaces, hot water heaters, metal bathtubs, storage sheds and bicycles must be recycled. These items require a \$12 large item tag. To arrange a curbside collection, contact Green for Life at 1-866-421-5625.

*Note: For safety, remove doors from fridges, freezers, and ovens. Each item requires a garbage tag prominently displayed.

If a special collection is not booked, metal items will not be collected. Metal appliances and scrap metal can also be dropped off at select York Region Depots. *See page 3 for details.

Furniture, mattresses, box springs, plastic lawn furniture, toilets, carpeting, etc.

Items to be placed at curbside for pick up on your regular garbage collection day with a \$12 large item tag attached. Break down or separate large/heavy items, if possible. Bundle small loose pieces. Tie carpeting and linoleum in rolls measuring no longer than 1.2 metres (4 ft.) and weighing less than 20 kilograms (44 lbs.). Each piece or bundle counts toward the one item limit.

Construction and demolition waste

Take these materials to one of the York Region Community Environmental Centres. See page 3 for locations and hours of operation or donate good quality materials to a charitable organization.



December 2023

Have a question?
Consult the back cover.

For waste collection inquiries, missed pick up or to exchange a broken blue box or green bin, contact GFL (Green for Life) at 1-866-421-5625 or email WasteLine@gflenv.com.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Do you have a real Christmas tree? Remember to water your Christmas tree daily. Dry trees are a fire hazard.					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21 First day of Winter	22	23
24	25 Christmas Day No service. Collection is one day later this week.	26 Boxing Day	27	28	29	30
31	1 New Year's Day January 2024					



Garbage Collection Week
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Christmas Tree Collection
Week of Jan. 8-11, 2024



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What goes in the blue box?

All containers must be
EMPTY and **SCRAPED**.

Paper

Cardboard

- Cardboard boxes (flattened, tied and smaller than 2' x 2' x 1')
- Pizza boxes (clean)
- Shoe boxes

Newsprint/Paper/Posters

- Calendars and posters
- Flyers
- Magazines
- Newspapers (no plastic bags)
- Telephone books



Food and Drink Containers

- Drink boxes or tetra packs (no straws)
- Frozen food boxes
- Frozen juice containers (lids separate)
- Juice and milk cartons

Other Paper

- Boxboard (cereal boxes)
- Bristol board (no decorations)
- Egg cartons/flats
- Greeting cards (plain)
- Paper bags
- Paper tubes/rolls
- Wrapping paper (non-metallic)

Plastic

Plastic household containers

- Antifreeze and windshield washer bottles
- Baby wipe containers
- Containers (between 2" to 9" in diameter)
- Detergent bottles and jugs
- Household cleaning product containers
- Plastic bottles/jugs
- Shampoo bottles (no black plastic)

Plastic food and drink containers

- Bakery trays and clamshells
- Clear beverage cups (no flat lids)
- Clear take-out food containers
- Egg cartons (clear plastic)
- Tubs and lids (yogurt, sour cream)
- Water and pop bottles (lids on)

What does NOT go in the blue box?

- | | | |
|---------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| • Batteries | • Foam packaging | • Paper towels/tissues |
| • Black plastic | • Food scraps/residue | • Plastic bags/film |
| • Coffee cups | • Masks/gloves/wipes | (of any kind) |
| • Coffee pods/discs | • Medical waste | • Propane cylinders/tanks |
| • Dishes/glasses | (needles/syringes) | • Take-out pop cups |

Metal

Steel containers

- Cookie tins
- Empty aerosol cans
- Empty metal paint cans (lids separate)
- Food and soup cans



Aluminum Containers

- Aluminum foil (clean, rolled into ball)
- Aluminum plates and trays
- Pop cans

Glass

Remove lids and place separately in the blue box.

- Bottles
- Jars



What goes in the green bin?

All green bin waste must be **BAGGED** and **TIED**.

- All foods (cooked, raw, bones or spoiled)
- Diapers
- Paper products
 - Food-soiled cardboard
 - Food-soiled newspaper
 - Paper towels
 - Shredded paper (small amounts)
 - Tissues
- Personal hygiene products
- Pet/animal waste




What does NOT go in the green bin?

- | | |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| • Baby/cleaning wipes | • Plastic bags/film |
| • Clothing | • Plastic food containers |
| • Cutlery | |
| • Dryer lint | |

For a full list of what is accepted in the green bin visit
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For more information visit york.ca/bluebox or call 1-866-665-6752



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Who to Call:

Collection Inquiries:

Green for Life (GFL)

1-866-421-5625

wasteline@gflenv.com

gflenv.com

- Missed collections
- Damaged blue boxes/green bins
- Schedule a metal item pickup

Hazardous materials:

1-866-665-6752

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