



2026 Waste and Recycling Calendar

The Blue Box Program is now operated by Circular Materials.

NEW

Waste management

Community information

Recycling program



Never miss another collection!

Download the Recycle Coach app for pick-up reminders, to report a problem and more. Find it in the app store on your phone.



georgina.ca/WasteandRecycling

A message from the Mayor

On behalf of Council, I'm pleased to present the Town of Georgina's 2026 Waste and Recycling Calendar.

The Town's Blue Box Recycling Program is now managed by Circular Materials, the organization responsible for overseeing recycling on behalf of producers throughout Ontario. Residents will be using a new 360 litre wheeled recycling cart, collection moves to bi-weekly from weekly, and carts will be emptied using trucks equipped with mechanical arms, replacing manual collection.

Inside this calendar, you'll find everything you need to know about waste collection in our community including schedules for recycling, yard waste and special initiatives such as Curbside Giveaway Days, electronics recycling, and the popular Swap and Sell event. You'll also find helpful tips on what belongs in your blue box recycling cart and green bin, how to dispose of bulky and metal items, and ways to reduce your overall waste. To stay informed and never miss a collection day, be sure to download the Recycle Coach app for reminders and updates.

We encourage everyone to continue making environmentally conscious choices, and to reduce, reuse and recycle wherever possible. Avoid single-use plastics and opt for reusable alternatives. By working together, we can reduce what goes to landfill and keep Georgina clean, green and thriving for years to come.

Sincerely,

Margaret Quirk, BASc
Mayor



Curbside collection reminders

Place garbage, green bins, 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 no limit to the number of green bins or yard waste containers you can set out.

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



To the curb by
7a.m.



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 detachable lid
- Refuse cans/containers cannot be blue in colour
- Do not use ties/bungee cords
- Maximum 50cm (20 in.) x 90cm (36 in.) and maximum 98 Litres
- Maximum weight 22 kg (50 lbs)

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

The curbside Blue Box program is now managed and operated by Circular Materials. The enhanced recycling program includes a new recycling cart and collection every other week, beginning Jan. 5, 2026. For information on the recycling program, including details on how to request a smaller sized recycling cart, visit Circularmaterials.ca/Georgina.

As of Dec. 31, 2025, contact GFL for:

- Replacement bins
- Missed collection
- Other recycling questions

Green for Life (GFL)

1-833-779-4351

N6Recycling@gflenv.com



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.

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 December. There is no limit on the amount of yard waste that can be placed with collection providing acceptable labelled containers are used (yard waste stickers are available at no charge).

Use environmentally friendly Kraft paper bags or a 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 recycling cart, in addition to the existing plastics, fibres, metals and glass that are collected.

Starting Jan. 1, 2026, Circular Materials will accept more items in your recycling. See examples of the new materials below, and visit circularmaterials.ca/georgina for the latest updates.

- Black plastic containers
- Hot and cold beverage cups (including coffee cups)
- Frozen juice containers
- Ice cream tubs
- Deodorant and toothpaste tubes

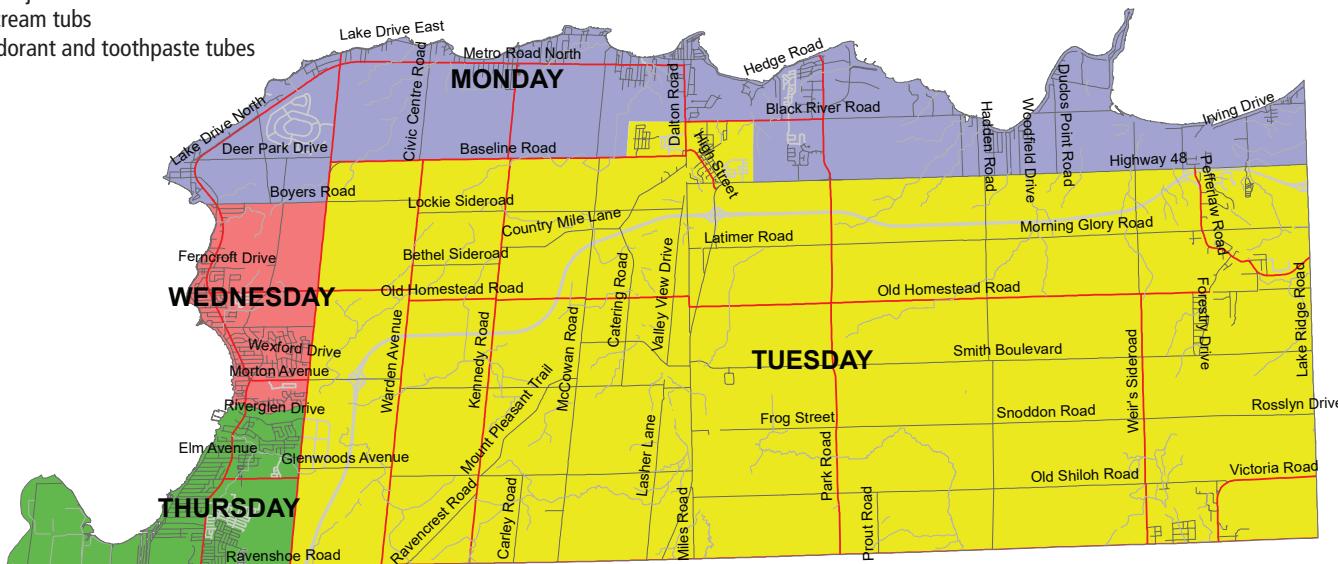
- Tags are not required for: bag tag exemption days (limit of 5), leaf and yard waste days, and Christmas tree pickup days.

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.



Garbage Collection Information

- Garbage collection occurs every other week.
- All materials must be at the curb before 7 a.m. on your scheduled collection day.
- Limit: Two items per garbage day.
- Maximum: Five items total (two without tags, three with tags).
- Bag tags: Available at the Civic Centre, all Georgina Public Library branches and the MURC — five tags for \$10.
- Large or oversized items like furniture, mattresses and appliances require a \$12 large item tag. Call GFL at 1-866-421-5625 to schedule pickup.
- Reusable containers with attached flip lids are not accepted; lids must be removed.
- Sharp items (glass, ceramics, mirrors, broken toilets, etc.) must be boxed or wrapped in cardboard and clearly marked "Glass for Disposal."
- Toilets: Must be emptied of all liquids and separated into two pieces (tank and bowl), unless a one-piece toilet. The tank and bowl count as one item.



January 2026

Have a question?
Consult the back cover.

Effective Jan. 5, 2026, blue recycling carts will be collected bi-weekly by Circular Materials and GFL (Green for Life) in 360-litre carts. For more information, visit circularmaterials.ca.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 Christmas tree collection will occur the weeks of Jan. 5 and Jan. 19. 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 1.8m (6'), cut in pieces (if necessary).				1 New Year's Day No service Collection is one day later this week.	2	3
4	5  Maximum 1.8m (6'), cut in pieces (if necessary)	6	7	8	9	10
						
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
						
18	19  Maximum 1.8m (6'), cut in pieces (if necessary)	20	21	22	23	24
						
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
						



Garbage Collection Week
BI-WEEKLY on your regular day.



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Christmas Tree Collection
Weeks of Jan. 5 & Jan. 19.



Green Bin is collected WEEKLY.
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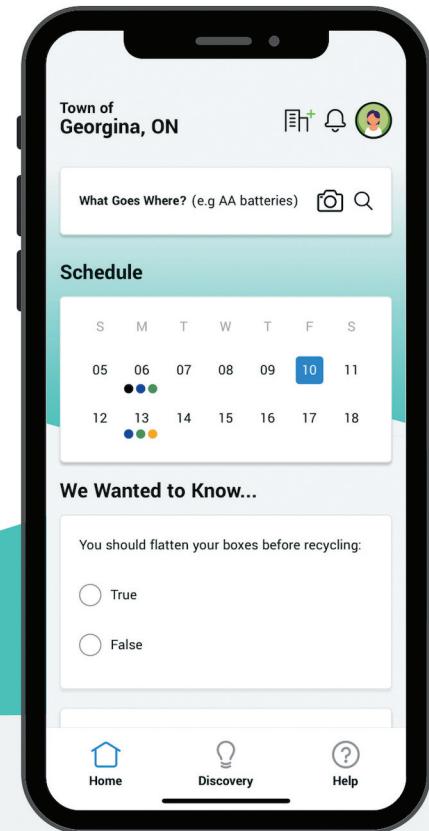
Better recycling habits matter.

Download the free app and learn to recycle better:

- Personalized collection schedule
- Custom notifications
- “What Goes Where” Search Tool
- Report A Problem Tool



Download the free
app today



February 2026

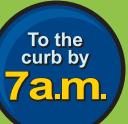
Have a question?
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Mark your calendars for Georgina's annual SnoFest —
for more details visit georgina.ca/events.



Learn how to recycle **better**

Download Recycle Coach now



1	2	3	4	5	6	7 SnoFest
8	9	10	11	12	13	14 Valentine's Day
15	16 Family Day No service Collection is one day later this week.	17	18	19	20	21
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BI-WEEKLY on your regular day.

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 Green Bin is collected WEEKLY.
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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.



March 2026

Have a question?
Consult the back cover.

Thinking of spring cleaning? Large or oversized items like furniture, mattresses and appliances require a \$12 large item tag. Call GFL at 1-866-421-5625 to schedule pickup.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						
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8 Daylight Saving Time begins (turn clocks forward one hour)  Remember to change the batteries in your smoke and CO alarms.	9	10	11	12	13	14
15 	16	17 St. Patrick's Day	18	19	20 First day of Spring	21
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 Garbage Collection Week
BI-WEEKLY on your regular day.

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Yard waste

Yard Waste is collected with recycling every second week from April to December, as noted throughout this calendar (there are some exceptions due to statutory holidays).

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:

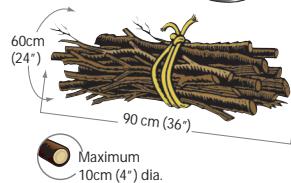
Place weeds, plant trimmings, and leaves in paper yard bags or any regular garbage container that has handles.

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

No plastic bags.



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 2026

Have a question?
Consult the back cover.

Stay up to date with all Town events by visiting
georgina.ca/events.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Leaf and yard waste collection begins this month. Use Kraft paper bags or containers marked "yard waste." No plastic bags or blue boxes. 			1	2	3 Good Friday	4
5 Easter Sunday	6 Easter Monday	7	8	9	10	11
						
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
						
19	20	21	22	23	24	25 Curbside Giveaway
						
26	27	28	29	30	Are you new to Georgina? Take some time and find out how best to dispose of your waste and recycling. Visit georgina.ca/WasteandRecycling to learn more.	

 Garbage Collection Week
BI-WEEKLY on your regular day.

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 Yard Waste Collection

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May 2026

Have a question?
Consult the back cover.

Apply for permits and sign up for recreation programs anytime through the Online Services portal at georgina.ca/OnlineServices.

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

Stay safe and make sure broken glass and sharp objects are securely packaged in a separate box and labelled before setting at the curb.

To the
curb by
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Electronic
Recycling Event
Swap n' Sell

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18 Victoria Day

No service
Collection is one day
later this week.

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Bag tag exemption – Put out up to 5 items untagged.

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Curbside
Giveaway

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Yard Waste
Collection



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June 2026

Have a question?
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Get ready for summer fun at the ROC with outdoor programs like rock climbing, cycling and archery. Visit georginaroc.ca for more information.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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14	15	16	17	18	19	20
						
21	Father's Day First day of Summer	22	23	24	25	26
						27 Curbside Giveaway
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Curbside Giveaway

Residents can put unwanted items at the curb from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. (free) for others to take.

April 25 | May 30
June 27 | July 25
Aug. 29 | Sept. 26
Oct. 24

Georgina's Annual
Giant Garage Sale



Swap and Sell

Saturday, May 9,
8 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Georgina Ice Palace parking lot

Check out all the new-to-you treasures. To register to be a vendor, call Service Georgina.



georgina.ca/WasteandRecycling



Electronic Recycling event

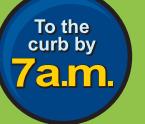
Properly recycle those pesky old electronics for FREE
Saturday, May 9 and
Saturday, Sept. 12.

Reminder: no lightbulbs.
Batteries are accepted.

July 2026

Have a question?
Consult the back cover.

Get your free resident parking pass online at georgina.ca/ParkingPass. It's easy!

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 Household hazardous waste (HHW) includes anything corrosive, explosive, flammable or poisonous. Take HHW to a depot for safe disposal. Visit york.ca/waste or call 1-866-665-6752 for more information.			1 Canada Day No service Collection is one day later this week.	2	3	4
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Service Georgina - Contact us

We're here to help!

Service Georgina is committed to providing a high-quality and efficient customer service experience. The goal is to provide the public with a central place to obtain information about Town-related concerns, or to ask questions or provide comments about Town services and programs.

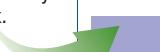
Visit georgina.ca/ContactUs for a convenient list of phone extensions for everything from Animal Services and the Building Division to Municipal Law Enforcement and the Planning Division. You can reach us Monday to Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. by calling 905-476-4301, ext. 3001, or by email at info@georgina.ca.



August 2026

Have a question?
Consult the back cover.

Textile recycling is available year-round. Bring unwanted clothing, linens and textiles to donation bins at the Ice Palace, Civic Centre or Sutton Arena.

<p>For waste collection inquiries, missed collection or to arrange for a 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 delivered directly to their home.</p>							1
2  	3 Civic Holiday No service Collection is one day later this week. 	4 	5 	6 	7 	8	
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23  	24 	25	26 	27	28	29 Curbside Giveaway	9
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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 and must be scheduled by call in. 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 large item 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.

Large/bulky items

Large or bulky items such as furniture, mattresses, box springs, plastic lawn furniture, toilets, and carpeting, etc. must be scheduled for pickup by contacting GFL at 1-866-421-5625. These items are collected on your regular garbage day, require a \$12 large item tag for each item, and must be placed at the curb by 7 a.m.

Preparation:

- Break down or separate large or heavy items where possible.
- Bundle small loose pieces.
- Tie carpeting or linoleum into rolls no longer than 1.2 m (4 ft.) and under 20 kg (44 lbs.).
- Toilets must be separated into two pieces.

Construction and demolition waste

Take these materials to one of the York Region Community Environmental Centres. Visit york.ca/wastedepots for more information.



September 2026

Have a question?
Consult the back cover.

Join us at cultural and seasonal events.
Visit georgina.ca/events.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
  To the curb by 7 a.m.		1 	2 	3 	4	5
6 	7 Labour Day No service Collection is one day later this week.	8 	9 	10 	11 	12 Electronic Recycling Event
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20 	21 	22 	23 First day of Fall 	24 	25	26 Curbside Giveaway
27 	28 	29 	30 National Day for Truth and Reconciliation 	Did you know? Renovation materials like concrete, wood and drywall are not collected at the curb. For disposal options, visit york.ca/WasteDepots .		

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Safely dispose of batteries

Batteries should never go in the trash or regular recycling — they can get damaged and cause fires at waste facilities. The Town has partnered with Call2Recycle to provide safe drop-off locations for used batteries.

How to prepare your batteries:

- Tape terminals with clear or electrical tape to prevent short-circuits.
- Ensure batteries are intact, not leaking or corroded.
- Keep batteries separated; avoid loose contact. Use a small container or plastic bag if needed.

Drop off:

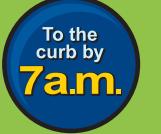
Bring prepared batteries to an official Call2Recycle bin at a municipal facility. For a list of locations, visit georgina.ca/WasteandRecycling.



October 2026

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
 Broken green bin? Contact GFL at 1-866-421-5625 to schedule a free replacement.				1 	2	3
4 	5 	6 	7 	8 	9	10
11 	12 Thanksgiving Day No service Collection is one day later this week. 	13 	14 	15 	16 	17
18 	19 	20 	21 	22 	23 	24 Curbside Giveaway
25 	26 	27  	28  	29  	30	31 Halloween

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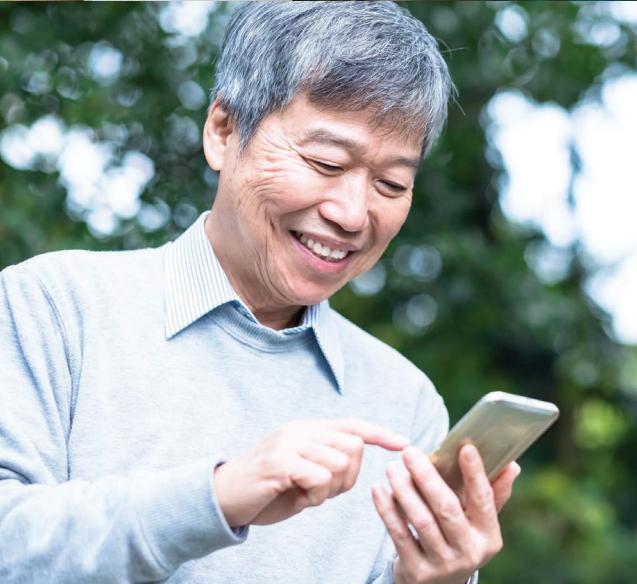
Self-serve at your finger tips

The Town has made it easier to pay, apply, find or connect. From building permits and marriage licences to burn permits and parking passes – you can find it online. Visit georgina.ca/OnlineServices.

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November 2026

Have a question?
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Welcome the upcoming holiday season with Vintage Christmas at Georgina Village Museum. For details, visit georgina.ca/events.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>Not sure what goes where? Visit georgina.ca/WasteandRecycling for sorting guides, collection schedule, accepted materials, and drop-off options for items not collected at the curb.</p>						
1  Daylight Saving Time ends (turn clocks back one hour)	2	3	4	5	6	7
						
8 	9  	10  	11 Remembrance Day  	12  	13	14
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Report a streetlight, pothole or other problem from your phone!

1. Download the **Recycle Coach** app
2. Go to 'Help'
3. Report your problem

It's free and easy!



Scan to download



For more information, visit
georgina.ca/WasteandRecycling

December 2026

Have a question?
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Winter at the ROC includes tubing, skiing, snowboarding and snowshoeing – perfect for family fun. Visit georginaroc.ca for more information.

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
	13	14	15	16	17	18
	20	21 First day of Winter	22	23	24	25 Christmas Day
	27	28	29	30	31	
						 To the curb by 7a.m.

 Garbage Collection Week
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 Christmas Tree Collection
Weeks of Jan. 4 & Jan. 18, 2027

 Yard Waste Collection

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Service Georgina
26557 Civic Centre Rd., Keswick, ON L4P 3G1
905-476-4301, ext. 3001



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

york.ca



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@georginatown



@townofgeorgina

Calendar Information:

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Turnkey solutions for effective waste
management education & outreach.