

# 2018 Waste & Recycling Calendar

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What \*Goes Where?



• Green Bin  
• Garbage

• Recycling  
• Yard Waste



GEORGIA

# A Message from the Mayor

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On behalf of Town Council, I am pleased to present Georgina's 2018 Municipal Waste and Recycling calendar.

This publication provides our residents with the necessary information about our waste programs and recycling efforts to help reduce the amount of waste that is sent to landfill. You will find answers to questions you may have about what items should be included in your blue boxes and green bins, as well as how to dispose of large items or electronics or hazardous goods. You can read about the benefits of composting, not just for the environment, but for the nutritional advantages for your home garden as well.

In addition, this calendar lists all of the dates for the various collection services, bag tag exemption days and special events, such as "Pitch-In Week" and "Swap & Sells" that are held throughout the year to assist with all of our efforts in reducing waste.

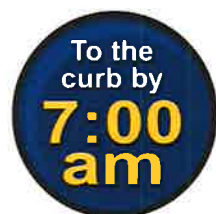
Through all of these efforts and with your help, we are doing our part to reduce waste and keep our community beautiful. I encourage you to keep up the great work!

Sincerely,

**Margaret Quirk**  
**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.** One container or item can be placed out for collection without a tag every other week. Each additional container/item requires a bag tag prominently displayed to a **MAXIMUM of 5 item limit** only. Tags are non-refundable and can be obtained at your local stores, libraries and the Town office.

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

## 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)

**my-waste** - FREE App for garbage, recycling and more!



## Plastic Recycling Bags & 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 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 & 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 and Collection Map

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## 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 any-time, without notice.
- **No garbage or food shall be put in the blue box or plastic bags.**
- Blue boxes and green bins can be purchased at all municipal libraries and at the Civic Centre. \*Remember: You must bring in your broken/damaged blue box or green bin to ensure replacement at **no charge**. Please rinse all containers prior to returning them.

## USER PAY GARBAGE PROGRAM

Our User pay garbage program allows each household **one container/item to be set out without a tag and up to 4 more with tags to a maximum of 5 items**. 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

As of January 1, 2005, the Town of Georgina has banned the use of plastic bags for yard waste collection as required by the Region of York. Approved containers are open topped, regular garbage container, reusable containers, or kraft paper bags intended for that purpose. Twigs and branches should be tied and bundled (with string only) in lengths no greater than 90cm (3'). \*Kraft paper bags, unlike plastic bags, can be composted along with the yard waste and produces a much higher quality compost. **No Grass Clippings.**

Yard waste can be delivered to the **York Region Transfer Station** at 23068 Warden Avenue or to the **Miller Compost Site** in Richmond Hill at 1351 Bloomington Road.

## 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 garbage 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 and 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.

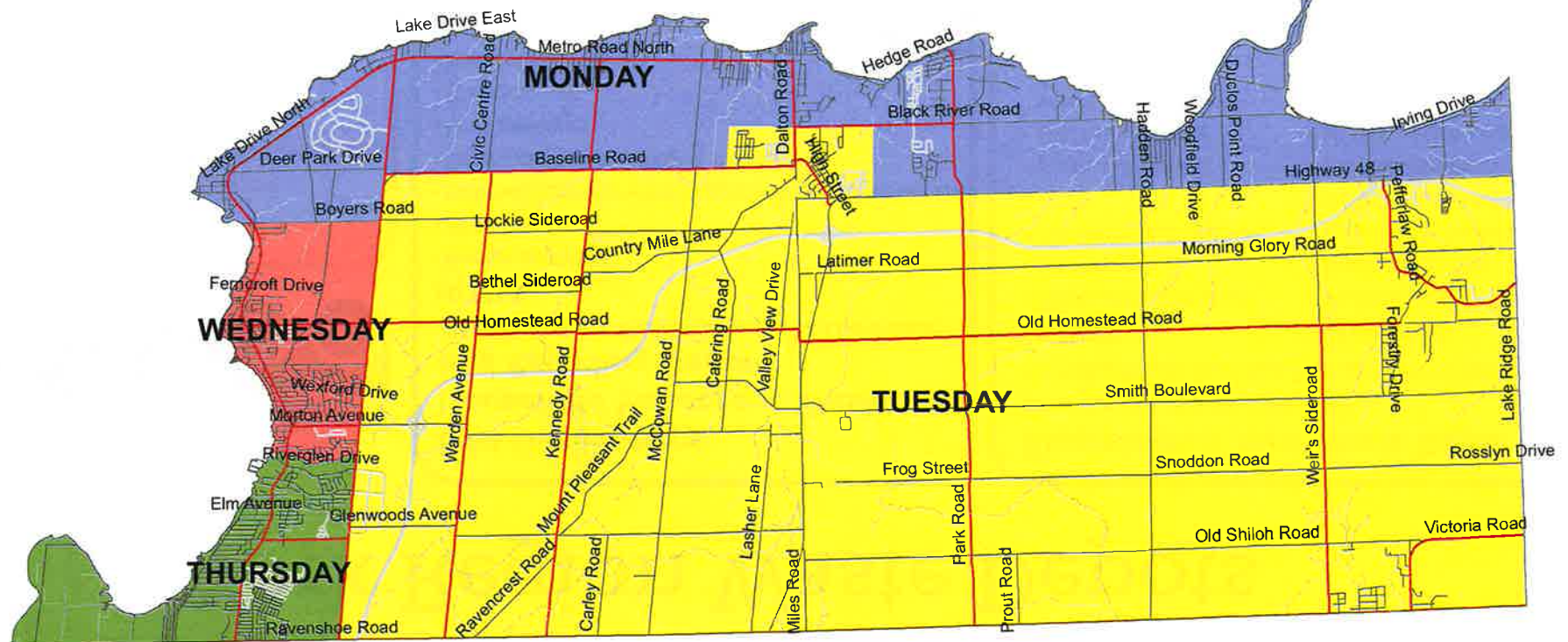
### SEAWEED

Seaweed will now be collected bi-weekly as yard waste. Rigid containers can be used. \*Please 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 special curbside collection, please contact Green for Life at **1-866-421-5625**.

**OTHER LARGE ARTICLES:** Chesterfields, chairs, tables, desks, etc. \*Non-metallic shall be placed at the curb on your regular garbage day, with a garbage tag prominently displayed, prior to the 7 a.m. guideline.



# York Region Waste Depots



## Markham Household Hazardous Waste Depot

Rodick Road, South of Miller Avenue, City of Markham

### ACCEPTED:

- Electronic waste
- Household hazardous waste (maximum 60L per vehicle per day)
- Liquid cooking oil (maximum 4L container)
- Pharmaceuticals
- Sharps (in puncture-proof container)

**FEES:** No charge, limits apply



## East Gwillimbury Household Hazardous Waste and Recycling Depot

225 Garfield Wright Boulevard, Town of East Gwillimbury

### ACCEPTED:

- Blue box recyclables
- Electronic waste
- Household hazardous waste (maximum 60L per vehicle per day)
- Liquid cooking oil (maximum 4L container)
- Metal appliances\*
- Pharmaceuticals
- Refrigerated appliances\*
- Scrap metal
- Sharps (in puncture-proof container)

### \*FEES APPLY

Cash only.



## Bloomington Yard Waste Depot

Miller Compost Bloomington Facility

1351 Bloomington Road East, Town of Richmond Hill

### ACCEPTED:

- Flowers and garden plants
- Grass clippings
- Hay (clean, small quantities)
- Leaves
- Shrubs and branches
- Sod (small residential quantities, dirt removed)
- Weeds

### NOT ACCEPTED:

- Animal droppings
- Branches larger than 15 centimetres (six inches) in diameter or 1.8 metres (six feet) in length
- Kitchen and food waste
- Rocks
- Root balls and stumps
- Soil

*Yard waste in plastic bags must be emptied.*

### FEES:

Residential loads less than one cubic yard (9 paper bags): \$0

Loads over one cubic yard: \$65 per tonne

*Cash, debit and credit cards accepted.*



For current fees and hours please visit  
[york.ca/wastedepots](http://york.ca/wastedepots) or call 1-866-665-6752



# York Region Waste Depots

## Georgina Transfer Station

23068 Warden Avenue, Town of Georgina

### ACCEPTED:

- Blue box recyclables
- Cardboard
- Concrete\*
- Electronic waste
- Garbage\*
- Household hazardous waste (maximum 60L per vehicle per day) (Saturdays only)
- Liquid cooking oil (maximum 4L container)
- Metal appliances
- Refrigerated appliances\*
- Scrap metal
- Tires (limit of four per day)
- Yard waste\*

### \*FEES APPLY

Cash, debit and credit cards accepted.



## Elgin Mills and McCleary Court Community Environmental Centres

1124 Elgin Mills Road East, Town of Richmond Hill

130 McCleary Court, City of Vaughan (Highway 7 and Creditstone Road)

### ACCEPTED:

- Blue box recyclables
- Cardboard
- Compact fluorescent light bulbs
- Concrete\*
- Drywall\*
- Electronic waste
- Garbage\*
- Household hazardous waste (maximum 60L per vehicle per day)
- Large, clean polystyrene foam
- Liquid cooking oil (maximum 4L container)
- Metal appliances\*
- Refrigerated appliances\*
- Scrap metal
- Shredded paper
- Tires (limit of four per day)
- Wood\*

### \*FEES APPLY

Cash, debit and credit cards accepted.

Vehicle restrictions may apply.

Vehicles with hydraulic lifts, not permitted.



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



Don't know where it goes?  
Visit [york.ca/bindicator](http://york.ca/bindicator)

York Region's online, easy-to-use waste database



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## Binny's waste and recycling tips

To help make waste and recycling pick-up 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 not** leave items half way up the driveway for operators to collect.



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



- **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. 1 container without a tag, up to 4 more with tags, maximum 5 item limit, can be set out for collection every other week. Please ensure the garbage tag is prominently displayed.



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



Binny also reminds residents to **have your waste and recycling items at the curb by 7 a.m.** on your scheduled collection day. For more information, please visit us online at [www.georgina.ca](http://www.georgina.ca), download the 'my-waste'™ app on your Android or Apple smartphone, follow us on Twitter [@georginatown](https://twitter.com/georginatown) or call Service Georgina at **905-476-4301**.



# Blue Boxes and Green Bins are Collected Every Week

**Available for purchase at all libraries and at the Civic Centre. Visit our website 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 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 to be used as of May 2011 for the green bin.



**For replacement of broken bins please contact GFL 1-866-421-5625.**

## 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





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or contact Access York at 1-877-464-9675


  
York Region



# January 2018

Have a question?  
Consult the back cover.

Find out how to get your mitts on a ROC Season Pass:  
[georginaroc.ca](http://georginaroc.ca)

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 <b>New Year's Day</b>  Collection is ONE DAY LATER this week.	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15 Maximum 1.8m (6') Cut in pieces (if necessary)	16 Maximum 1.8m (6') Cut in pieces (if necessary)	17 Maximum 1.8m (6') Cut in pieces (if necessary)	18 Maximum 1.8m (6') Cut in pieces (if necessary)	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	 <b>CHRISTMAS TREE COLLECTION IS WEEK OF JANUARY 15 ONLY.</b> Remove ALL decorations, nails, tree stands, and plastic tree bags. Please note crews will not dig out a tree or climb a snow bank to retrieve one.		



Garbage  
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For Your Zone:  
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Tree Pick Up:  
Week of Jan 15, 2018  
for each day Mon-Thurs.



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# CURBSIDE GIVEAWAY

April 28 | May 26 | June 23 | July 28  
Aug 25 | Sept 30 | Oct 20



These days are when residents can put out unwanted items at the curb from 7am - 5pm (**FREE**) for other residents to take away.

"What do I do with my pesky old electronics?"



**May 12 | September 8**  
from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.  
**Georgina Ice Palace** (back parking lot)

*Leave them with us and we'll recycle them for you!*

Computers, cables, keyboards, printers, scanners, electronic games (Nintendo), telephones, cell phones, answering machines, pagers and fax machines, VCRs, DVD players, radios, camera, video cameras, televisions, GPSs, etc.




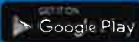
*\*Remove all packaging and batteries before delivering items for disposal.*



# February 2018

Have a question?  
Consult the back cover.

Watch for exciting events including Sno\*Fest and  
Festivities celebrating Georgina's 200<sup>th</sup>!

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
For every million cell phones we recycle, 35 thousand pounds of copper, 772 pounds of silver, 75 pounds of gold, and 33 pounds of palladium can be recovered.				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14 Valentine's Day	15	16	17
18	19 Family Day NO SERVICE Collection is ONE DAY LATER this week.	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	Download Georgina's FREE Waste & Recycling App   <div>             Search "My-Waste"                GET IT ON   </div>		



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## SHARPS COLLECTION PROGRAM

### You Can Return:

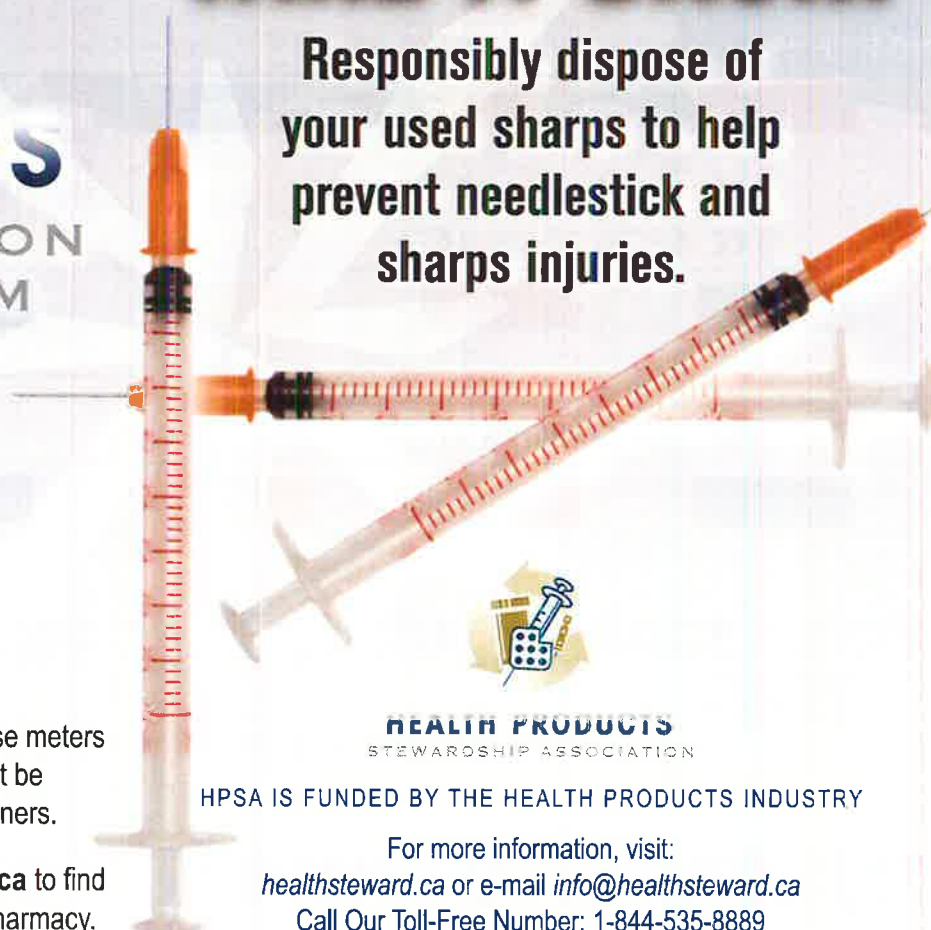
- Needles, needle tips and syringes
- Insulin pens
- Lancets
- Other used medical sharps

Components such as glucose meters and cotton swabs should not be disposed of in sharps containers.

Visit [www.healthsteward.ca](http://www.healthsteward.ca) to find your nearest participating pharmacy.

# TAKE IT BACK!

Responsibly dispose of your used sharps to help prevent needlestick and sharps injuries.



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For more information, visit:

[healthsteward.ca](http://healthsteward.ca) or e-mail [info@healthsteward.ca](mailto:info@healthsteward.ca)

Call Our Toll-Free Number: 1-844-535-8889

SAFELY DISPOSE OF YOUR USED SHARPS DEVICES BY FOLLOWING THESE STEPS:

1



Visit any participating pharmacy to receive an approved sharps container, free of charge.

2



Place your used sharps into the container, needle tip first.

3



Once the sharps waste has reached the designated fill line, secure the latch (double click) and return to a participating pharmacy.


*Always use an approved sharps container when disposing of used sharps to help reduce the risk of needlestick injuries.*



# March 2018

Have a question?  
Consult the back cover.

Check out what's happening at The ROC over the March Break:  
[georginaroc.ca](http://georginaroc.ca)

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Register for Pitch-In Week 2018 by contacting Service Georgina at 905-476-4301.				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10 <b>DST begins</b> (turn clocks forward one hour at bedtime) 
11	12	13	14	15	16	17 <b>St. Patrick's Day</b>
18	19	20 <b>First day of spring</b>	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30 <b>Good Friday</b>	31



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# Yard Waste

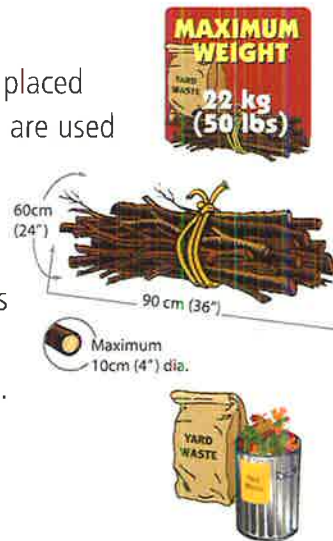
Yard Waste is collected **WITH RECYCLING EVERY SECOND WEEK** from April to November, as noted throughout this calendar (there are some exceptions due to statutory holidays).

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).

## 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 2018

Have a question?  
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 <b>Easter Sunday</b>	2 <b>Easter Monday</b>	3	4	5	6	7
						
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	 	 	 	 		<b>Curbside Giveaway</b>
<b>Pitch-In Week April 22-29, 2018</b>						
29	30	<p>The automobile is the most recycled consumer product in the world today. It takes about 45 seconds to shred the average automobile into fist-sized pieces for recycling.</p>				
<b>Pitch-In Week</b>						
						



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# DISCOVER YOUR FOREST

**Own land in York Region?  
Let your adventures begin.**

If you own two or more acres in York Region, we'll plant a forest for you. Experts will help you every step of the way — from funding assistance, to planning and planting, to tending your growing forest.

Your own forest is an incredible destination.

Contact us to find out more.



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LEGACY**

[york.ca/treeplanting](http://york.ca/treeplanting)



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YOUR  
YARD**

Let us help you create the backyard you've always dreamed about with full service and do-it-yourself tree planting and garden options.

1-888-453-6504  
[yourleaf.org](http://yourleaf.org)





# May 2018

Have a question?  
Consult the back cover.

Did you know building permit applications are available online?  
Get ready for those summer projects! [georgina.ca](http://georgina.ca)

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<div><div></div><div>We use over 80,000,000,000 aluminum soda cans every year.</div></div>		1 <div><div></div></div>	2 <div><div></div></div>	3 <div><div></div></div>	4	5
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13 <div><div>Mother's Day</div></div>	14 <div><div></div></div>	15 <div><div></div></div>	16 <div><div></div></div>	17 <div><div></div></div>	18	19
20	21 <div><div>Victoria Day</div><div>Collection is ONE DAY LATER this week.</div></div>	22 <div><div></div><div></div></div>	23 <div><div></div><div></div></div>	24 <div><div></div><div></div></div>	25 <div><div></div><div></div></div>	26 <div><div>Curbside Giveaway</div></div>
27	28 <div><div></div></div>	29 <div><div></div></div>	30 <div><div></div></div>	31 <div><div></div></div>	<div><div>Download Georgina's FREE Waste &amp; Recycling App</div><div><div><div>MY WASTE</div></div><div><div><div>MY WASTE</div></div><div><div>Download on the App Store</div></div><div><div>GET IT ON Google Play</div></div></div></div></div>	
<div><div>BAG TAG EXEMPTION – Put out up to 5 items untagged.</div></div>						



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# Fight the Bite! against Lyme disease and blacklegged ticks



## What is Lyme disease?



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



## 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

## 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



## Tips for removing ticks



- Use tweezers to grasp tick as close to skin as possible
- Pull straight out
- Do not put anything on the tick or try to burn it off
- Disinfect the area with alcohol or soap and water
- Wrap the tick in a moist paper towel and put in a sealed container
- Store in the fridge until you can take it to a York Region Public Health location



























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](http://york.ca/lymedisease)**



# June 2018

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Consult the back cover.

Follow us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram  
for your daily updates!

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 In a lifetime, the average North American will throw away 600 times his or her adult weight in garbage. A 68 kg adult will leave a legacy of 40,825 kg of trash.					1	2
3	4  	5  	6  	7  	8	9
10	11 	12 	13 	14 	15	16
17 <b>Father's Day</b>	18  	19  	20  	21 <b>First day of summer</b>  	22	23 <b>Curbside Giveaway</b>
24 	25 	26 	27 	28 	29	30



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Hey Ontario,  
you can now recycle at  
over 300 locations  
across the province!



Paint



Pesticides



Solvents



Fertilizers

Find your nearest drop-off  
location at [ReGeneration.ca](http://ReGeneration.ca)




























**ReGeneration**

Special Waste Recycling by **productcare**

# July 2018

Have a question?  
Consult the back cover.

Join us for our Canada Day Festival & Fireworks!

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 <b>Canada Day</b>	2  	3  	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 <b>Curbside Giveaway</b>
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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, TTY 1-866-512-6228 or visit [york.ca/westnile](http://york.ca/westnile)

# August 2018

Have a question?  
Consult the back cover.

Looking for something to do in Georgina?  
Check out our Event Listing page: [georgina.ca](http://georgina.ca)

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>Download Georgina's FREE Waste &amp; Recycling App</b>   <p>Search "My-Waste"</p> <p>Download on the App Store</p> <p>GET IT ON Google Play</p>			1	2	3	4
5	6 <b>Civic Holiday</b> Collection is ONE DAY LATER this week.	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25 <b>Curbside Giveaway</b>
26	27	28	29	30	31	An ink cartridge takes 1,000 years to bio-degrade.



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Collection Week



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Yard Waste  
Collection



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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 include:

- Aerosol cans (full or partially full)
- Batteries
- Cleaning products
- Fertilizers
- Compact fluorescent light bulbs
- Gasoline
- 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 tanks
- Sharps (in puncture proof container)
- Used motor oil and filters

### WASTE DEPOTS:

**East Gwillimbury HHW and Recycling Depot**  
225 Garfield Wright Boulevard  
East Gwillimbury

**Elgin Mills CEC**  
1124 Elgin Mills Road East  
Richmond Hill

**Georgina Transfer Station**  
23068 Warden Avenue  
Georgina

**Markham HHW Depot**  
Rodick Road,  
South of Miller Avenue  
Markham

**McCleary Court CEC**  
130 McCleary Court  
Vaughan

Maximum 60L per vehicle 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 include:

- 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 (limit of two per day)
- VCRs, DVD players, radios, stereos, speakers

Disassembled electronics will not be accepted.

\* Clear all personal information from devices prior to drop off.  
Limits apply.



For more information visit [york.ca/waste](http://york.ca/waste) or call 1-866-665-6752





# September 2018

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tree planting and garden options.  
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
It can take as many as 15 years to grow a tree of typical height (6 - 7 feet) or as little as 4 years, but the average growing time is 7 years.						1
2	3 <b>Labour Day</b> Collection is ONE DAY LATER this week.	4	5	6	7	8 <b>Electronic Recycling Event</b>
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22 <b>First day of fall</b>
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

**BAG TAG EXEMPTION – Put out up to 5 items untagged.**



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# 5 WAYS to save time, money and food

For many families, shopping and preparing meals comes with a lot of food waste. On average, York Region households throw away \$1,500 worth of food each year. Here are some simple tips to reduce food waste and save time and money:

- 1 Plan ahead and shop with a list (check your cupboards in advance to avoid buying duplicates)
- 2 Buy only what you need; bulk buying or buying on sale is only cost effective if the product is actually used
- 3 Save your leftovers for lunch or dinner later in the week; saves time and money
- 4 Serve smaller portions; preparing or setting out more than they can eat is more food wasted
- 5 Plan your week so the most perishable items are eaten first

#PlanPrepareEnjoy



Discover tips for planning healthy family meals at [york.ca/goodfood](http://york.ca/goodfood)

## FATS, OILS AND GREASE

Cool it, Scrape it, **Green Bin it.**



**Fats, Oils and Grease (FOG) can clog your pipes and our sewers when poured down the sink, drain or toilet.**

FOG is a byproduct of cooking, which includes: butter and margarine, cooking oils (including deep frying oils), meat fats, salad dressings, sauces, gravies, shortening and lard.

### Proper Disposal

- FOG is an organic waste that should be allowed to cool and harden, then scraped into the green bin
- Use a small amount of paper towel to help wipe and absorb the liquid before placing it in your green bin
- Liquid cooking oil can also be dropped off at a York Region waste depot to be recycled into biodiesel

**Cool it, Scrape it, Green Bin it.**

Visit [york.ca/fog](http://york.ca/fog)



**York Region**



# October 2018

Have a question?  
Consult the back cover.

Visit Georgina's Events Listing page for some great  
Halloween events! [georgina.ca](http://georgina.ca)

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8 <b>Thanksgiving Day</b> Collection is ONE DAY LATER this week.	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20 <b>Curbside Giveaway</b>
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31 <b>Halloween</b>	 <b>Pumpkins, cornstalks, and straw are great additions to the yard waste collection.</b> When leaf and yard waste is included, organic waste makes up as much as 40% of residential waste. Canadians produce approximately 7 million tonnes of organic waste each year.		



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# What Goes in the Green Bin?

**Green Bin Tip:** Lining your green bin with compostable bags is now mandatory. 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), moulded pulp take-out trays, ice cream boxes, microwave popcorn bags, flour and sugar bags, muffin paper, paper plates, paper towels and tissues, paper serviettes, paper candy wrappers, and any 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 (no yard waste)



# November 2018

Have a question?  
Consult the back cover.

Welcome the upcoming holiday season by taking in  
Old Fashioned Christmas at Georgina Pioneer Village & the  
Civic Centre Festival of Lights!

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 <p>Real Christmas trees are a renewable, recyclable resource. At most farms, up to three seedlings are planted for every real Christmas tree harvested. Artificial trees contain non-biodegradable plastics.</p>				1	2	3 <b>DST ends</b> (turn clocks back one hour at bedtime) 
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	 	 	 	 		
11 <b>Remembrance Day</b>	12	13	14	15	16	17
						
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	 	 	 	 		
25	26	27	28	29	30	
						



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# Metal Item Recycling & Bulky Item Pick-up

Large metal items such as appliances, barbecues (no propane tanks), bed frames, furnaces, hot water heaters, metal bath tubs, storage sheds, and bicycles must be recycled. To arrange a special curbside collection, please contact Green for Life at **1-866-421-5625**. \*Please 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. Please 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 (1) item limit.

## **Construction & 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 2018





Have a question?  
Consult the back cover.

Watch for your 2019 Waste & Recycling Calendar  
in the Georgina Advocate.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
One acre of Christmas trees produces the daily oxygen requirement for 18 people.						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 Collection is ONE DAY LATER this week.	26 Boxing Day	27	28	29
30	31					

JANUARY 2019

Your new calendar will be delivered in early January 2019

<b>Download Georgina's FREE Waste &amp; Recycling App</b>    		1 New Year's Day Collection is ONE DAY LATER this week.	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12



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Tree Pick Up: Week  
of Jan 14, 2019 for  
each day Mon-Thurs.



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# What goes in the blue box?

## Paper

### Cardboard

- Cardboard boxes (flattened)
- Pizza and shoe boxes

### Newsprint/Paper/Posters

- Calendars
- Flyers
- Magazines
- Newspapers (no bags)



### Polycoat Containers

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

### Other Paper

- Boxboard (e.g. cereal boxes)
- Bristol board
- Egg cartons/flats
- Greeting cards (no glitter)
- Paper bags
- Paper tubes/rolls
- Wrapping paper (non-metallic)

## Plastic (empty containers)

### Plastic household containers

- Baby wipe containers
- Detergent bottles
- Household cleaning product containers
- Medicine bottles (larger than two-inches in diameter)
- Plastic bottles/jugs/pails
- Plastic plant pots/trays
- Windshield washer bottles

### Plastic food and drink containers

- Bakery trays
- Microwaveable plastic food trays
- Plastic egg cartons
- Plastic tubs and lids (ice cream, margarine, yogurt tubs, etc.)
- Take-out food containers (no foam)
- Water and pop bottles

## Metal

### Steel containers

- Aerosol cans (empty)
- Cookie tins
- Food and soup cans
- Paint cans (empty, lids off)



### Aluminum Containers

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

## Glass

- Bottles
- Jars



*All containers must be empty and clean. Metal lids must be removed and placed in blue box separately.*

## What does NOT go in the blue box?

- Batteries
- Coffee pods/discs
- Dishes/glasses
- Foam packaging
- Medical waste (needles)
- Plastic bags/film (of any kind)
- Propane tanks

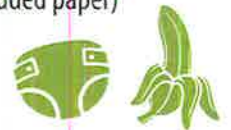


For more information visit [york.ca/bluebox](http://york.ca/bluebox) or call 1-866-665-6752

# What goes in the green bin?



- Food products (all foods, cooked, raw or spoiled)
- Paper products (tissues, paper towels, food-soiled cardboard, newspaper, shredded paper)
- Personal hygiene products
- Pet/animal waste



## What does NOT go in the green bin?

- Baby/cleaning wipes
- Clothing
- Cutlery
- Dryer lint
- Plastic bags/film

*Green bin materials are not accepted at York Region Depots.*

For a full list of what is accepted in the green bin visit [york.ca/greenbin](http://york.ca/greenbin)





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## Who to Call:

### Collection Inquiries:

1-866-421-5625

[wasteline@gflenv.com](mailto:wasteline@gflenv.com)

[gflenv.com](http://gflenv.com)

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

### Hazardous Materials:

1-866-665-6752

[www.york.ca](http://www.york.ca)

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