

2020 Waste & Recycling Calendar

Green for Life (GFL) 1-866-421-5625

For all your waste management needs, visit gflenv.com



What *Goes Where?



- Green Bin
- Garbage
- Recycling
- Yard Waste



A Message from the Mayor



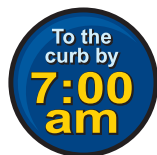
On behalf of Town Council, I am pleased to present the Town of Georgina's 2020 Municipal Waste and Recycling calendar.

I am certain you will find this quick-reference guide extremely helpful in providing you with all of the information you need for any questions you have about waste collection initiatives in our community. Included are the dates for the year for collection of waste, recycling and yard waste pick-up. It provides 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. In addition, you will find information pertaining to special recycling initiatives, such as 'curbside giveaway' days and our electronics recycling program, as well as 'Swap & Sell' events and 'Pitch-In Week' in our community.

Please take the time to review all of the information in this guide, to assist with our efforts in reducing waste going to landfill and help keep our town 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, pickup 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.

Recycle Coach - FREE App for garbage, recycling and more!



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 & 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 • 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 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 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.

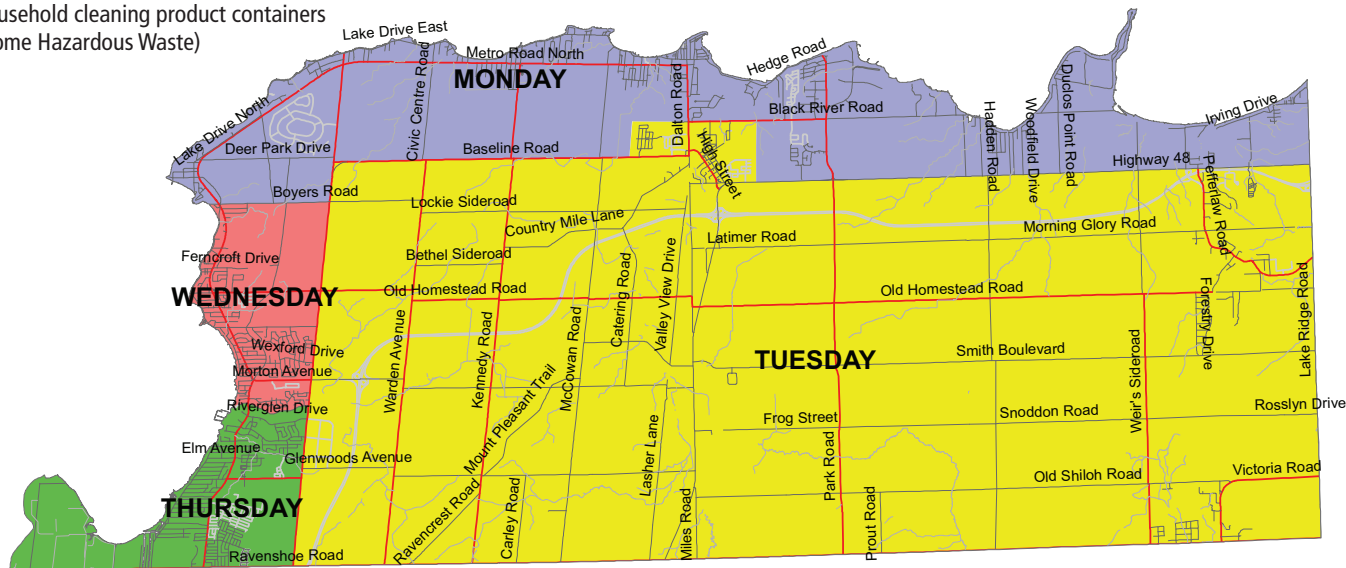
SEAWEED

Seaweed 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.



Georgina Transfer Station

23068 Warden Avenue, Town of Georgina

Hours of Operation:

Transfer Station

Monday through Saturday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Sunday Closed

Household Hazardous Waste Depot

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

Materials Accepted:



- Blue box recyclables
- Clothing and fabric items
- Cooking oil (limit of 4L per day)
- Electronic waste
- Household Hazardous Waste (Tues. and Sat. only)
- Large, polystyrene foam
- Refrigerated appliances with valid CFC removal sticker (residential only)
- Scrap metal
- Shredded paper
- Tires (limit of 10 per day)

Materials Accepted - Chargeable:

- Concrete
- Drywall
- Garbage
- Refrigerated appliances
- Wood
- Yard Waste

Fees: (cash, debit and credit accepted)

- Loads of chargeable material \$125 per tonne
- Mixed loads of chargeable/no charge material \$125 per tonne
- Loads up to 100kg minimum \$10 fee
- Loads of no charge material only \$0

Refrigerated Appliances

- Residential/Commercial without valid CFC removal sticker \$20
- Commercial with valid CFC removal sticker \$10



Waste Depot Information



Elgin Mills and McCleary Court Community Environmental Centre

1124 Elgin Mills Road East, City of Richmond Hill | 130 McCleary Court, City of Vaughan

Hours of Operation:

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.

Materials Accepted - no charge:



- Blue box recyclables
- Clothing and fabric items
- Cooking oil (limit of 4L per day)
- Electronic waste (limits apply)
- Household hazardous waste (limits apply)
- Large, polystyrene foam
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Vehicle size restrictions may apply. Items must be manually unloaded, no mechanical lifts allowed.



Time to let it go? Cut the clutter.

Discover where you can get rid of unwanted stuff using the Bindicator, a helpful online search tool.

Visit york.ca/bindicator to find out where it goes.

Bloomington Yard Waste Depot

1351 Bloomington Road East, City of Richmond Hill

Hours of Operation:

April 1 to November 30

Monday through Saturday 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Sunday Closed

December 1 to March 31

Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Saturday and Sunday Closed

Materials Accepted:

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

Yard waste in plastic bags must be emptied.

Materials Not Accepted:

- Animal droppings
- Branches larger than 15 centimetres in diameter or 1.8 metres in length
- Kitchen and food waste
- Rocks, root balls, stumps, soil

Fees: (cash, debit and credit accepted)

Residential

- Less than one cubic yard (up to 9 paper bags) \$0
- More than one cubic yard \$65 per tonne

Commercial (business) \$65 per tonne

East Gwillimbury Household Hazardous Waste and Recycling Depot

225 Garfield Wright Boulevard, Town of East Gwillimbury

Hours of Operation:

Monday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Tuesday and Wednesday Closed
Sunday 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Materials Accepted - no charge:



- Blue box recyclables
- Cooking oil (limit of 4L per day)
- Electronic waste
- Household hazardous waste
- Refrigerated appliances with valid CFC removal sticker (residential only)
- Scrap metal

Fees: (cash only)

Refrigerated Appliances

- Residential without valid CFC removal sticker \$20



Blue Box Recyclables



Household Hazardous Waste



Electronic Waste



Scrap Metal/
Metal Appliances



Garbage



Yard Waste

Markham Household Hazardous Waste Depot

Rodick Road, South of Miller Avenue, City of Markham

Hours of Operation:

Monday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Tuesday and Wednesday Closed
Sunday 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Materials Accepted - no charge:



- Cooking oil (limit of 4L per day)
- Electronic waste
- Household hazardous waste

Get to know your depot before you go.

Find tips on how to pack your vehicle, what's accepted and limits that may apply.

york.ca/wastedepots

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 more information on fees and limits,
please visit

york.ca/wastedepots

or call 1-866-665-6752.



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, download the **Recycle Coach™** app on your Android or Apple smartphone, follow us on Twitter **@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 the preferred option when lining your green bins.

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



YOUR ACTIONS MAKE A DIFFERENCE

**REDUCE.
REUSE.
RECYCLE.**

*Data Source:

Annual Diversion Report 2018 Solid Waste Management



TOGETHER, WE'VE DIVERTED
94%
OF SOLID WASTE FROM
LANDFILL*


York Region

January 2020

Have a question?
Consult the back cover.

Join us at the ROC for Winter Fun. Tube for \$20.
More details at georginaroc.ca

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 CHRISTMAS TREE COLLECTION IS WEEK OF JANUARY 13 ONLY. 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.			1 New Year's Day Collection is ONE DAY LATER this week.	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	29	30	31	



Garbage Collection Week
BI-WEEKLY on your regular day.



For Your Zone:
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Christmas Tree Collection
Week of Jan. 13-16, 2020



Green Bin and Blue Box
are collected WEEKLY.



CURBSIDE GIVEAWAY

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

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 9 | Sept. 12



Swap & Sell



Georgina's Annual **Giant Garage Sale!**

Saturday, May 9
8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Georgina Ice Palace Parking Lot
90 Wexford Dr., Keswick

To register a spot, please call
905-476-4301 ext. 2232

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

February 2020

Have a question?
Consult the back cover.

Watch for exciting events including Sno*Fest.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
CFLs 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 all remnants immediately at a Household Hazardous Waste depot.						1 Sno*Fest
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14 Valentine's Day	15
16	17 Family Day NO SERVICE Collection is ONE DAY LATER this week.	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29



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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 to find your nearest participating pharmacy.

TAKE IT BACK!

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



HEALTH PRODUCTS
STEWARDSHIP ASSOCIATION

HPSA IS FUNDED
BY THE HEALTH PRODUCTS INDUSTRY

For more information, visit:
healthsteward.ca or e-mail info@healthsteward.ca
Call Our Toll-Free Number: 1-844-535-8889

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

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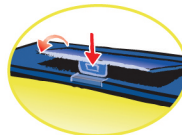
Recap needle and place into approved sharp container offered free of charge at any participating pharmacy.

2



Once the sharp waste has reached the designated fill line, snap lid closed by securing the strip.

3



To permanently close the sharps container, insert the tab into the opening to secure the lid down.

4







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

March 2020

Have a question?
Consult the back cover.

Check out what's happening at The ROC over the March Break:
georginaroc.ca

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 	2	3	4	5	6	7
8 Daylight Saving Time begins (turn clocks forward one hour)	9	10	11	12	13	14
15 	16	17 St. Patrick's Day	18	19 First day of Spring	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29 	30	31	 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.			



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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.

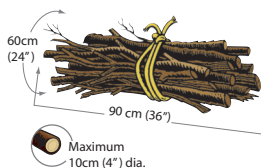
Bundle branches as shown. Use twine only, no ropes please.

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 2020

Have a question?
Consult the back cover.

Don't miss out on Easter activities, such as an in-water
Easter Egg Hunt. More details at georgina.ca

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10 Good Friday	11
12 Easter Sunday	13 Easter Monday	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25 Curbside Giveaway
Pitch In Week (April 19-26)						
26	27	28	29	30	Download the Town of Georgina 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. Available on the  App Store  Google play	
Pitch In Week						



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Relax AND Enjoy

FALL IN LOVE WITH YOUR YARD

It is easy to find statistics on how spending time in nature is good for you. What the numbers can't show you is 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.

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 tree planting
- Full service forest planning and planting
- Do-it-yourself bulk seedlings

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



DISCOVER YOUR FOREST

Get outside and soak up the wonder of the York Regional Forest at one of our monthly guided events.

Forest events include:

- Tree planting
- Snowshoe strolls
- Forest festivals
- Walks to discover plants and animals
- Holiday themed events for the whole family

Registration required and opens one month before event. Events are held rain or shine.

Check out the upcoming events.
york.ca/forestevents



DISCOVER YOUR GROUP'S NEXT GREAT adventure

TAKE YOUR GROUP EXPLORING IN THE FOREST

We offer year-round educational programs for groups of 10 or more. Every program includes a guided walk through the York Regional Forest to learn about wildlife, fitness, snowshoeing, forest history or innovation.

Program guidelines include:

- Open to not-for-profit groups of 10 to 25 people including families, social groups, Scouts and Guides
- Programs available for ages four and up
- Each program runs 1.5 to 2 hours in length
- Provided at no cost in the York Regional Forest

Register your group today.
york.ca/naturesclassroom

May 2020

Have a question?
Consult the back cover.

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

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
E-WASTE More than 140,000 tonnes of e-waste accumulates in Canadian landfills each year. That's equivalent to the weight of one and a half times the CN Tower. <i>(Environment Canada 2007)</i>					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9 Electronic Recycling Event Swap n' Sell
10 Mother's Day	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18 Victoria Day NO SERVICE Collection is ONE DAY LATER this week.	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30 Curbside Giveaway
31	BAG TAG EXEMPTION – Put out up to 5 items untagged.					



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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

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

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

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

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

June 2020

Have a question?
Consult the back cover.

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

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1  	2  	3  	4  	5	6
7 	8 	9 	10 	11 	12	13
14 	15  	16  	17  	18  	19	20 First day of Summer
21 Father's Day 	22 	23 	24 	25 	26	27 Curbside Giveaway
28	29  	30  	 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.			



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Keep these products out of landfill:

- ✓ Paint
- ✓ Solvents
- ✓ Pesticides
- ✓ Fertilizers

Find a recycling location in the Town of
Georgina at [productcare.org](https://www.productcare.org).



July 2020

Have a question?
Consult the back cover.

Join us for our Canada Day & Fireworks!
Visit georgina.ca/CelebrationEvents for full details.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
BUY LOCAL Reduce the amount of emissions required to transport food to your table: buy locally grown foods!			1 Canada Day NO SERVICE Collection is ONE DAY LATER this week.	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
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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 2020

Have a question?
Consult the back cover.

Taking fun to new heights. Check out the ROC, York
Regions Adventure Headquarters. Visit georginaroc.ca

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2	3 Civic Holiday 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



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.

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
- 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 per day and 20 compact fluorescent tubes 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:

- 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

**Residents may bring two televisions and four units of computer equipment per day. 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 2020

Have a question?
Consult the back cover.

Celebrate the arrival of Autumn and join us for
Harvest Festival. Visit georgina.ca

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		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
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
BAG TAG EXEMPTION – Put out up to 5 items untagged.						
20	21	22 First day of Fall	23	24	25	26 Curbside Giveaway
27	28	29	30	WASTE Canadian households generate 12 million tonnes of waste each year. That's more than a kilogram per person per day! (Statistics Canada, 2005)		

 Garbage Collection Week
BI-WEEKLY on your regular day.


 For Your Zone:

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 Yard Waste
Collection

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TOP 5 WAYS to save time, money and reduce 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:

- Plan ahead and shop with a list
- Buy only what you need; bulk buying or buying on sale is only cost effective if the product is actually used
- Choose recipes you can make ahead
- Serve smaller portions; preparing more than you can eat is more food wasted
- Freeze leftovers to enjoy later

#PlanPrepareEnjoy
york.ca/goodfood

NOT THIS.



BUT THIS.



Food doesn't belong in the blue box.
Empty and clean all containers.

YOU GOT THIS.

Contaminated blue boxes may be left behind.
york.ca/bluebox

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.

Fats, oils and grease include:

butter and margarine, meat fats, salad dressings, cooking oils (including deep frying oils), sauces, gravies, shortening and lard.

Proper Disposal

- Fats, oils and grease 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


Cool it, Scrape it, Green Bin it
york.ca/fog

 York Region

October 2020

Have a question?
Consult the back cover.

Visit Georgina's Events Listing page for some great
Halloween events! georgina.ca

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 Pumpkins, cornstalks, and straw are great additions to the yard waste collection. When leaf and yard waste is included, organic waste makes up as much as 40% of residential waste.				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



Garbage Collection Week
BI-WEEKLY on your regular day.



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Yard Waste
Collection



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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), 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

In small quantities only, no yard waste



November 2020

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
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
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					



Garbage Collection Week
BI-WEEKLY on your regular day.



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Yard Waste
Collection



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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 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 2020

Have a question?
Consult the back cover.

Watch for your 2021 Waste & Recycling Calendar
in the Georgina Advocate.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Your new calendar will be delivered in late December 2020		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	26 Boxing Day
27	28 	29 	30 	31 	1 New Year's Day	2
					January 2021	



Garbage Collection Week
BI-WEEKLY on your regular day.



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Christmas Tree Collection
Week of Jan. 11-14, 2021



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are collected WEEKLY.



What goes in the blue box?

All containers must be
EMPTY and RINSED.

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 | • Plastic bags/film (of any kind) |
| • Black plastic | • Food scraps/residue | • Propane cylinders/tanks |
| • Coffee cups | • Medical waste (needles/syringes) | • Take-out cups |
| • Coffee pods/discs | | |
| • Dishes/glasses | | |

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 foods (cooked, raw, bones or spoiled)
- Diapers
- Paper products
 - Food-soiled cardboard
 - 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 york.ca/greenbin



Place unwanted, gently used items at the curb for others to take for their own use.

Place your items at the curb, marked 'FREE' from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

June 27, July 25, August 29 and September 26

#yrcurbalert
york.ca/curbsidegiveaway

Anything remaining must be
 brought back inside by 5 p.m.



The Lendery is a library where you sign out things rather than books and it's free with your library card!

Save money and space by borrowing items like:

camping equipment, garden tools, hand tools, lawn games, party supplies, sports equipment, kitchen appliances and toys

Find out where you can borrow things.

york.ca/lendery



Bring broken things back to life at a

REPAIR CAFÉ

Bring in your tools, appliances, clothing and other items in need of repair. Our volunteer fixers will bring your item back to life.

Fixer specialties include:

bikes, toys, small appliances, clothing and fabric items and tools

Sign up for the next Repair Café.

york.ca/repaircafe

WALKED A MILE IN THAT SHOE?

BRING IT.



Bring your unwanted fabric items to a participating waste depot to be donated to Diabetes Canada.

We accept almost anything including:

backpacks, bedding, belts, clothing, curtains, hats, jackets, shoes, sleeping bags and stuffed toys

Find out where you can bring your stuff.

york.ca/wastedepots



Service Georgina
26557 Civic Centre Road, Keswick, ON, L4P 3G1
(905) 476-4301

Who to Call:

Collection Inquiries:

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

www.york.ca



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