

## Accepted / Not Accepted Items

YES	NO
Fruit and vegetable scraps	NO Compostable or biodegradable bags
Food leftovers, plate scrapings	NO Plastic containers and cutlery (even if it's compostable)
Meat, fish and bones	NO Plastic bags and wrap, or Styrofoam
Dairy products, butter, yogurt	NO Chip or cookie bags
Eggshells, eggs	NO Pet food bags and other lined bags
Bread, cereal, grains	NO Butter wrappers
Pasta, pizza	NO Plastic clips, rubber bands, twist ties, dental floss
Soiled paper towels, paper food packaging (paper cups/plates)	NO Foil wrap, pouches and pie plates
Baked goods, candies	NO Make-up remover pads, cotton swabs and balls
Coffee filters and grounds	NO Cigarettes and butts
Nuts and shells	NO Hygiene products / diapers / baby wipes
Baking ingredients, herbs, spices	NO Dryer sheets and lint
Tea bags	NO Vacuum contents and bags
Solidified fat and grease	NO Pet feces and pet litter
Houseplants (no soil), cut and dried flowers	NO Coffee cups and lids
Wooden utensils (chopsticks, toothpicks)	NO hair or fur
Sauces, mayo, jam, nut butters	No metal or glass



## Organics Recycling at UEL

### Your yard waste cart can now be used for all your organic waste

Organics recycling includes:

- **Food scraps:** including meat, fish, poultry, bones, dairy products, bread, pasta, solidified fats and grease, fruit, vegetables, egg shells, coffee grounds, tea bags and plate scrapings
- **Food soiled paper products:** including paper towels and tissues, parchment paper and paper takeout food packaging (make sure it's not coated in plastic!)
- **Yard trimmings:** including grass clippings, leaves, prunings, plants and branches

For additional info go to  
[www.universityendowmentlands.gov.bc.ca/residentialservices](http://www.universityendowmentlands.gov.bc.ca/residentialservices)

这份通知包含重要信息. 请找人替您翻译.

## How to Participate In the kitchen

- ✓ Collect your food scraps in your kitchen container. Please do not include rubber bands, twist ties and other non-food items.
- ✓ Use newspaper, paper bags or paper towels to line your kitchen container which will help control odours and absorb moisture to keep your container clean. For instructions on how to make a newspaper liner for your kitchen container, visit [www.universityendowmentlands.gov.bc.ca/residentialservices](http://www.universityendowmentlands.gov.bc.ca/residentialservices).
- ✓ Empty your kitchen container **frequently**; wash or rinse containers as needed.

## In your cart

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- ✓ Empty the contents of your kitchen container into your organics recycling cart frequently.
- ✓ Layer your kitchen scraps and leftovers with yard trimmings such as grass, clippings, leaves, prunings, plants and branches.
- ✓ Have your organics recycling picked up every collection day **even if it is not full**.
- ✓ When placing your carts curbside, take care to ensure they do not impede vehicle, bicycle and pedestrian traffic.

## Helpful Tips

- ✓ Wrap kitchen scraps in newspaper or soiled paper towel.
- ✓ Freeze meat, poultry and fish scraps in a paper bag – then on collection day add them to your organics recycling cart.
- ✓ Use paper towels to wipe fat and grease off cookware before placing the towels in your kitchen container.
- ✓ Keep kitchen container and cart lids closed at all times.
- ✓ Store your carts in a secure, cool, ventilation location out of direct sunlight.

## What can I put in my organics recycling cart?

All food (cooked and raw), compostable paper products and yard trimmings can go into your organics recycling cart. Please refer to the list of accepted and not accepted items.

## What type of soiled paper can I add to my organics recycling?

Soiled paper can be added to your organics recycling as long as it contains no plastic. Food contaminated paper like **napkins, tissues, waxed paper, parchment paper, cardboard and muffin liners can be added**. However, plastic coated paper (like coffee cups and plastic lined paper bags) **cannot** be added. If you are not sure what you have, try tearing the paper – plastic coated paper will stretch.

## I compost at home, why do I need organics recycling collection?

Organics recycling complements backyard composting by accepting a wider range of food waste that may not be suitable for backyard composting such as cooked food, meat, bones, fish, baked goods, food-soiled paper and paper food packaging.

## I have a garburator, do I need to collect my kitchen scraps?

If you've been using a garburator, now you can put your kitchen scraps to good use by placing them in your organics recycling cart and help create a cleaner, greener and more sustainable community. It will use less water too!

## Do I need to line my kitchen container?

No, although using newspaper or other paper products like paper bags is inexpensive and will help absorb moisture to keep your container clean.