

# A-Z Waste and Recycling Guide

## GENERAL WASTE BIN

Animal droppings	Mirrors
Band-aids/dressings	Paper cups
Candles	Pens/pencils/crayons
Carbon paper	Plastic bread bags*
Coffee cups & lids	Plastic bread tags
Cotton buds	Plastic bags*
Chewing gum	Plastic cereal box inserts*
Chips/snack bags*	Plastic straws
DVDs	Plastic toys
Ceramics	Plastic wrap*
Clothes	Polystyrene cups & packaging
Crockery & cutlery	Pyrex
Cutlery (plastic, disposable)	Receipts
Disposable nappies	Supermarket bags (reusable)*
Drinking glasses	Toothbrushes
Foam cups & packaging	Toothpaste tubes
Food waste	Treated timber
Garden hose	Vacuum cleaner dust
Hygiene products	Waxed paper/cardboard
Kitty litter	Window glass
Lolly/chocolate wrappers*	Wipes
Meat trays	

## RECYCLING BIN

Aerosol cans (empty)	Motor oil containers (empty)
Aluminium cans	Newspapers
Aluminium foil/trays	Pet food tins (empty)
Books	Pizza boxes (clean)
Cardboard	Phone books
Cereal boxes	Plastic bottles, tubs & jars
Cosmetic jars (clean)	Printer/office paper
Envelopes	Shampoo & conditioner bottles
Fruit punnets	Steel & tin cans
Glass bottles/jars (lids removed)	Steel jar lids
Greeting cards	Takeaway food containers (empty)
Ice cream containers	Tetrapaks/poppers
Juice bottles	Toilet roll tubes
Junk mail	Wine/beer bottles
Magazines	Wrapping paper
Margarine tubs	Yoghurt containers
Milk bottles/cartons	

**NO PLASTIC BAGS PLEASE**

## GARDEN WASTE BIN

Branches (no larger than 15mm diameter)  
 Fresh and dry leaves  
 Grass clippings  
 Plant cuttings  
 Sticks and twigs  
 Weeds (all)  
 Wood, untreated (no larger than 15mm diameter)

**NO COMPOSTABLE BAGS OR FOOD WASTE PLEASE**



\*Acceptable in REDcycle program.

Drop-off points available at participating Coles and Woolworths stores for soft plastic recycling.

Visit [www.redcycle.net.au](http://www.redcycle.net.au) for a full list

If you're unsure whether or not an item can be recycled, call the Waste Helpline on 1800 208 141.

When in doubt, throw it out!

Please remember to chop up large garden waste into small pieces (no more than 15cm in diameter) so it can be processed.

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## COMMUNITY RECYCLING CENTRE

The following items can be dropped off at the **Gunnedah Community Recycling Centre** for free and will be recycled.

Only household quantities (20kg or 20L) of each waste type are accepted.

- Batteries (car and household)
- E-waste (electronic items)
- Fire extinguishers
- Fluoro tubes and light globes
- Gas bottles and cylinders
- Oil (cooking, motor and heating)
- Paint & paint tins (oil-based and water-based)
- Smoke detectors

## GUNNEDAH WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITY

The following items should not be placed in kerbside bins, and instead can be dropped off at the **Gunnedah Waste Management Depot** for recycling and correct disposal.

- AgVet chemical drums
- Excess green waste
- Excess household recyclables
- Scrap metal

## OPENING HOURS

**Gunnedah Waste Management Facility**  
**Open:** 7 days a week  
8am-5pm

**Community Recycling Centre**  
**Open:** Tue to Sun, 9am-4pm  
**Closed:** Good Friday, ANZAC Day, Christmas Day and New Years Day

**Both located at 418 Quia Rd, Gunnedah**

## FOOD WASTE

Food waste can be diverted from landfill via a home compost or worm farm. Set one up and enjoy turning food scraps into free fertiliser to make your garden thrive!

- Upcycle an old bin or container to make a compost/worm farm, or purchase one from your nearest hardware store
- Create layers in the compost bin of food scraps alternating with dry garden waste
- Be sure to feed your compost/worm farm the correct foods so it stays healthy
- Remove finished fertiliser and spread on any plants in the garden
- See the Composting and Worm Farming factsheets available on the Council website!

## RETURN & EARN

Deposit eligible containers to a Return & Earn checkpoint and earn money!

- Aluminium cans (soft drink, beer, etc)
- Glass bottles (beer only, no wine/spirit bottles)
- Plastic bottles (water, juice, etc)
- Juice boxes & poppers

**Reverse vending machine:** Woolworths  
Gunnedah, 119/129 Conadilly St  
**Donation station:** Service NSW Gunnedah,  
387 Conadilly St

## DONATE PRE-LOVED ITEMS

Unwanted household items, clothes and furniture in saleable condition can be donated instead of sent to landfill. Visit Gunnedah's secondhand shops to donate or to pick up a bargain!

- Bowerbird Shop
- Salvation Army Gunnedah
- Vinnies Gunnedah