

# 2026 COLLECTION

## GARBAGE, GREEN CAN, AND YARD TRIMMINGS GUIDE



### DOWNLOAD THE WESTVANCOLLECT APP

Receive instant service change alerts, collection reminders, and personalized collection calendars.



### Questions?

Contact us Monday–Friday, 8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

### Garbage and organics collection:

604-925-7176

[westvancouver.ca/collection](http://westvancouver.ca/collection)

**Missed collections:** Please report by 11 a.m. the following day.

### Recycling collection

**provided by Recycle BC:**

778-589-3223

[recyclebc.ca/west-vancouver](http://recyclebc.ca/west-vancouver)

**EVERY OTHER WEEK**  
GARBAGE



**EVERY WEEK**  
GREEN CAN



YARD TRIMMINGS



CONTAINERS



GLASS



MIXED PAPER



**EVERY 4 WEEKS**  
FLEXIBLE PLASTICS



## Coexisting with wildlife

Prevent wildlife encounters by responsibly managing garbage, food scraps, and other attractants. Feeding bears, even unintentionally, is against the law.

### How to responsibly manage your garbage and food scraps:

1. Store all materials inside the house, shed, or secure enclosure until the morning of collection
2. Wash your bins with mild soap or vinegar and water solution to reduce odours
3. Wrap your food scraps in newspaper or paper bags to minimize odours and mess
4. Freeze plate scrapings and food scraps until collection day

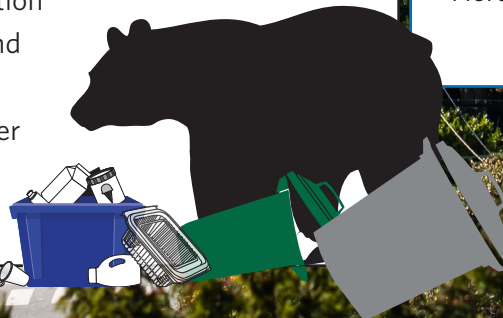
### Please report bear attractants to:

Bylaw & Licensing Services:  
604-925-7152

### More information about bears:

North Shore Black Bear Society:  
604-317-4911

[westvancouver.ca/bears](http://westvancouver.ca/bears)



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# GREEN CAN & YARD TRIMMINGS

set out between 5-7:30 a.m.

COLLECTED WEEKLY

## Green Can



meat, bones & fish



wooden stir sticks & chopsticks



grains & pasta



fruit & vegetables



dairy products, eggs & shells



plate scrapings



food-soiled paper & cardboard



coffee filters & tea bags

## Yard trimmings



grass clippings



leaves



flowers



pumpkins

## What stays out



NO PLASTIC  
not even compostable  
or biodegradable



no diapers or  
baby wipes



no pet waste  
or kitty litter



no dirt, rocks,  
or sod\*

### Wrap your scraps in newsprint for a cleaner can

To minimize odours, consider keeping your kitchen container in your freezer.



### Dumping is not allowed

Dumping yard trimmings and food scraps in parks and utility corridors is illegal. It can spread invasive plants, restrict access to utilities, increase fire hazard, and is costly to clean up. Dispose of yard trimmings through curbside collection, backyard composting, or by taking them to a designated drop-off depot.

Learn more at [westvancouver.ca/collection](http://westvancouver.ca/collection).

### Need a new Yard Trimmings decal?

Replacement decals are free. Send address and the number of decals you require to [westvancollect@westvancouver.ca](mailto:westvancollect@westvancouver.ca) or pick up at Municipal Hall, 750 17th Street.

### Set out instructions

\* Dirt, rocks & sod cannot be collected curbside.

- Place food scraps and food-soiled paper in a 46-litre container (e.g. Orbis NPL 280A) clearly labelled as a Green Can
  - Place grass clippings, leaves, small trimmings, plants, and flowers in a lidded 77-litre can with a yard trimmings decal—kraft paper bags are also accepted
  - Limit of six yard trimmings cans, bags, or bundles, including Green Can
  - Bundle twigs and branches with biodegradable string or twine (no wire, nylon rope, or plastic strapping) and place beside, not inside, cans
    - maximum bundle size: one metre long and 30 centimetres in diameter
    - maximum branch thickness: 7.5 centimetres
  - Maximum weight per can, bag, or bundle: 20 kilograms
- Visit [westvancouver.ca/collection](http://westvancouver.ca/collection) for a complete list of accepted materials.



### Noxious weeds like knotweed and giant hogweed need special care.

For proper disposal of invasive plants visit [westvancouver.ca/invasiveplants](http://westvancouver.ca/invasiveplants) or call 604-925-7275.

# RECYCLING

set out between 5-7:30 a.m.

COLLECTED  
by Recycle BC

Recycling collection in West Vancouver is provided by Waste Control Services on behalf of Recycle BC.

Contact Waste Control Services directly to report missed recycling collection and to request delivery of replacement boxes or bags:

778-589-3223 | [recyclebc@wastecontrolservices.com](mailto:recyclebc@wastecontrolservices.com)

For more information, including a list of accepted materials, visit [recyclebc.ca/west-vancouver](http://recyclebc.ca/west-vancouver) or check Recycle BC's annual guide.



### IMPORTANT

Recycle BC will mail a separate annual recycling guide in **JUNE**. Please keep both collection guides.



RECYCLEBC

# GARBAGE

set out between 5-7:30 a.m.



## Not accepted in curbside garbage



yard trimmings



food scraps



small appliances



oversized items



construction material



recyclables



paint



medications



batteries



pesticides



used oil & antifreeze



dirt, sod & rocks



tires



explosives



electronics

### Have more garbage?

Check you've sorted all materials into recycling, Green Can, and depot drop-off. If you still have garbage, tags for additional 77-litre bags can be purchased for \$6 at Municipal Hall, and West Vancouver and Gleneagles community centres.



### Set-out instructions

- Garbage bags must be placed at the curb in lidded cans
- Limit of **two** 77-litre garbage bags in cans no larger than 121 litres
- Maximum weight is 20 kilograms per can or bag



# DESIGNATED DROP-OFF DEPOTS

for oversized recyclables and items *not* accepted at curbside

## Accepted materials (no charge) All materials must be clean and sorted



foam packaging



corrugated cardboard



beverage containers



curbside recyclables



electronics & cell phones



lamps & light fixtures



flexible plastics



scrap metal



clothing & books



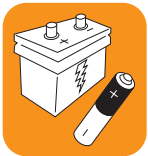
cooking oil



propane tanks



smoke alarms & thermostats



car & household batteries



small appliances & power tools



large appliances



used oil, solvents, antifreeze, flammables, paint & pesticides

### North Shore Recycling and Waste Centre

Residents can also drop off gypsum/drywall, mattresses, food scraps (100 litres or less), and green waste for recycling at 30 Riverside Drive West, North Vancouver. For more information, call 604-681-5600 or visit [metrovancover.org](http://metrovancover.org).

### Provincial Take-Back Programs

Many common items are recyclable. Visit [rcbc.ca](http://rcbc.ca) or call the Recycling Hotline at 604-732-9253 to find a designated drop-off depot. Not all depots accept all items.

# 2026 WEST VANCOUVER COLLECTION CALENDAR

westvancouver.ca/collection

| JANUARY 2026 |    |    |    |    |
|--------------|----|----|----|----|
| M            | T  | W  | T  | F  |
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| G            | G  | G  | G  | G  |
| 12           | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |
| G            | G  | G  | G  | G  |
| 19           | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 |
| G            | G  | G  | G  | G  |
| 26           | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |
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| FEBRUARY |    |    |    |    |
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| APRIL |    |    |    |    |
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| JUNE |    |    |    |    |
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| JULY |    |    |    |    |
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| AUGUST |    |    |    |    |
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| SEPTEMBER |    |    |    |    |
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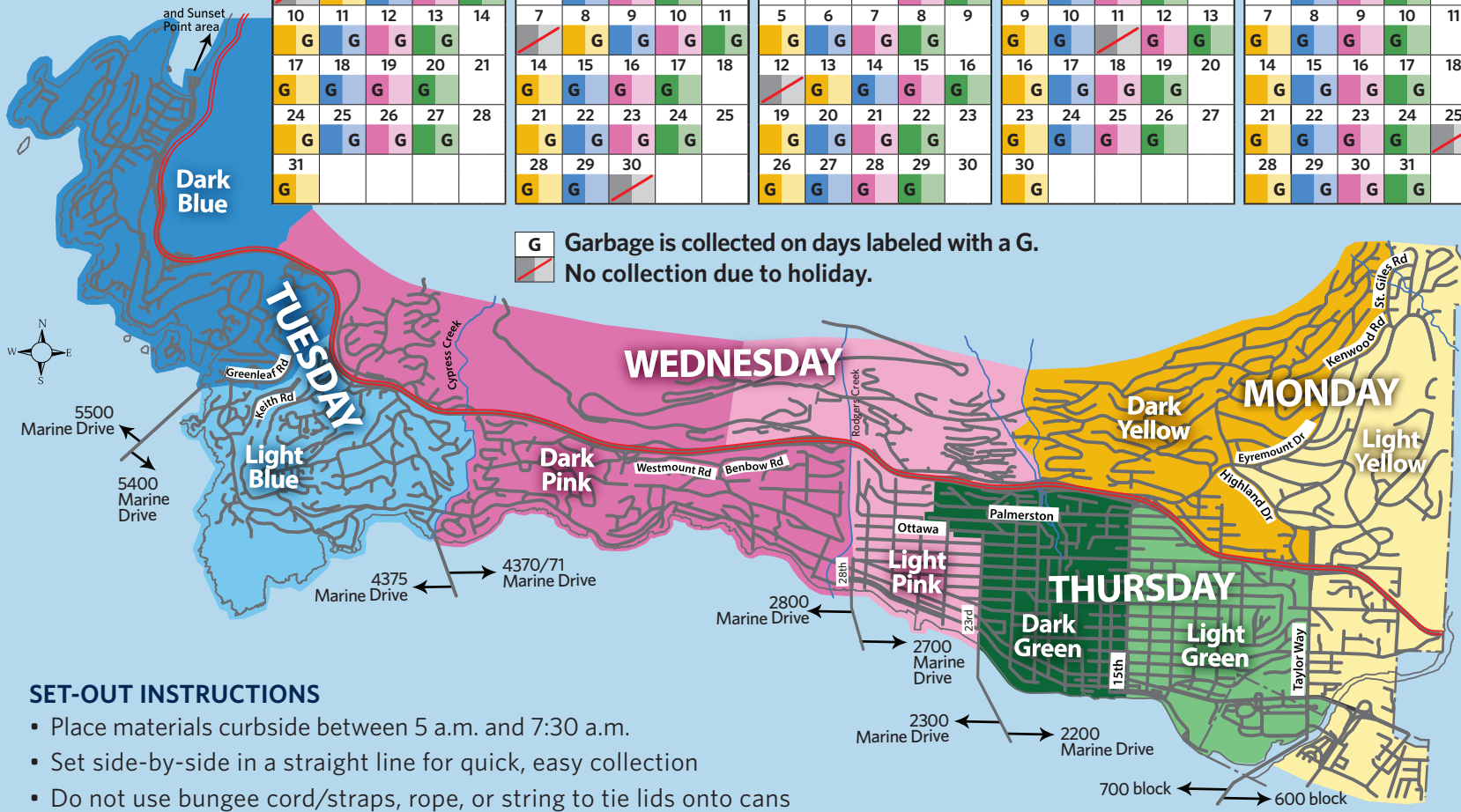
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| NOVEMBER |    |    |    |    |
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| DECEMBER |    |    |    |    |
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| JANUARY 2027 |    |    |    |    |
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**G** Garbage is collected on days labeled with a G.  
 No collection due to holiday.



## SET-OUT INSTRUCTIONS

- Place materials curbside between 5 a.m. and 7:30 a.m.
- Set side-by-side in a straight line for quick, easy collection
- Do not use bungee cord/straps, rope, or string to tie lids onto cans

## WEEKLY

**Green Can Yard trimmings**

**Recycling**

provided by Recycle BC

## EVERY 4 WEEKS

**Flexible plastics**

provided by Recycle BC

## EVERY OTHER WEEK

**Garbage**