

E-Waste

Some other household items can't be recycled in your kerbside bin including:

- Computers, monitors, TVs, printers.
- Print & ink cartridges
- CDs, DVDs & tapes
- Mobile phones, chargers
- Household batteries
- Fluorescent tubes and globes



They can be recycled in special locations:

Libraries: [Recycling Stations](#) in Moonee valley and [Hume Recycling Stations](#)

Officeworks: [Bring It Back](#) program in store.

ALDI: accepts [battery recycling](#) in store

Recycle mobile phones with [Mobile Muster](#) or [Zoos Victoria](#). [Green Collect](#) accepts various household e-waste and stationery items. And most council **Transfer Stations** have dedicate e-waste sorting bins and services.

Personal & Household Items

These can be donated to [opportunity shops](#) and charities, like [Savers](#) and [Upparel](#) But they must be in good condition and immediately usable

Other Recycling

For specialised recycling try [TerraCycle](#)

- Oral care products: toothbrushes & tubes
- Dishwashing liquid bottles & packaging
- Cosmetic packaging & surplus cosmetics
- Coffee Pod aluminium capsules
- Mailing Satchels
- Writing Instruments & Balloons
- Branded toys
- Safety Equipment & PPE
- Sundry Kitchen & Office plastic items



Other places are:

Plastic bread tags - [Aussie Bread Tags for Wheelchairs](#) or [The Bread Tag Project](#)

Plastic bottle tops - [Lids4Kids](#)

Plastic Cutlery & Picnic Ware - [Banish](#)

[CupRescue](#) stations at 7-Eleven stores accept all brands of disposable cups, plastic lids and straws

Plastic Coat Hangers - [YCA Recycling](#)

Source: Alina's Eco Ideas - Recycling

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Recycling Your Waste

Activating Sustainable Living in Moonee Valley

Australians are producing 540kg of household waste per person each year (2020 data).

As a result, the country is generating around 67 million tonnes of waste, but only 37% of this being properly recycled.

One of the biggest contributors to plastic waste in Australia is packaging, of which there is one million tonnes in our shops and supermarkets at any given time. Only about 32% of this is recovered and less than 5% is made of already recycled plastic.

The Australian Government has pledged to ensure that 100% of Australian packaging will be recyclable, compostable or reusable by 2025 and has charged the Australian Packaging Covenant Organisation (APCO) with delivering on that target, but there is no requirement for manufacturers to choose recycled over virgin plastic. Nor are they responsible for waste disposal at the end of a product's life.

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Kerbside Recycling

Council kerbside recycling rules can be confusing. Most councils allow you to recycle: paper and cardboard, some plastics, some metals and glass containers.



Here are a few [guidelines](#) for [recycling](#)

- Recyclables should be clean, dry and empty (no liquids)
- The bigger the better (bigger than a tennis ball - scrunch up foil into a ball or block)
- Flatten cardboard boxes
- Recycle all clean paper (not tissues or oil-stained pizza boxes - they go to landfill)
- Don't put recyclables in plastic bags
- Do not put in hazardous waste (including batteries, electronics, e-waste and nappies)

If you are unsure - most councils have a detailed waste, recycles, and green waste list. The Moonee Valley Council list is [here](#).

- <https://mvcc.vic.gov.au/live/my-house/a-z-recycling-guide/>

Green Waste - Organics

Some councils provide green bins that allow you to recycle food scraps and organic waste from the garden, which is then composted saving them from landfill. You can also home compost.

Soft Plastics Recycling

You can now recycle your soft plastics through [REDcycle](#) so they don't end up in landfill. Drop off points are at [Coles](#) and [Woolworths](#)

- Plastic bags
- Old re-useable bags
- Cereal box liners
- Pasta and rice bags
- Fresh produce bags
- Frozen food bags
- Confectionary bags
- Paper goods bags
- Biscuit pack outers
- Bread bags

Transfer Station

Moonee Valley's [Transfer Station](#) accepts many items including:

- Aluminium (cans, pots, window frames)
- Household batteries
- Fluorescent tubes and compact bulbs
- Cardboard boxes & paper
- Cooking oil & engine oil
- Electronic waste & mobile phones
- Milk & bread crates, pot plants & plastic wrap
- Clean polystyrene in household amounts
- Paint (water & oil-based)
- Steel & metal (guttering, appliances, bicycles)
- Textiles (re-useable shoes & clothing only)