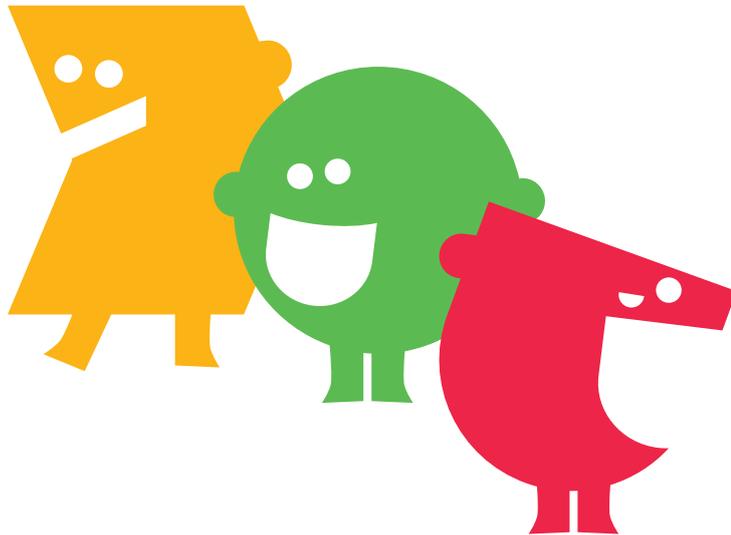


**Residential
Waste Services**
Information

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Towards Zero Waste

Hello and welcome!



Snowy Valleys Council is excited to transition to a three-bin kerbside waste service for the collection of waste, recycling and food organics garden organics (FOGO).

Our goal is to decrease the amount of waste we send to landfill. To do this we need to avoid unnecessary waste, decrease total waste and increase the amount of material being repurposed, reused and recycled.

By actively providing ways to move towards zero waste, we can generate financial and environmental benefits and create a resilient community where resources are processed and re-utilised locally.

The three-bin system helps to improve the way we manage waste – it's not just about choosing the right bin, it's about changing the way we think about waste.

We understand change can sometimes be hard, but by making small changes to the way we separate waste, we can make a big difference.

Did you know?

When organic material is buried in landfill, apart from taking up space, it creates methane gas as it breaks down. Methane is 25 times more harmful to our environment than carbon dioxide.

Our goal is to divert almost 1,000 tonnes of organic waste away from landfill annually by using the green-lid bin.

Audits show that almost 50% of what we put in our red-lid bins can actually be placed in our green-lid bins to be composted.

Landfill operation costs keep increasing, meaning disposing of waste into a landfill is not only bad for the environment, it is bad financially.

The three-bin system provides a cost-effective solution for Council and the community and helps us meet the NSW State target of 75% from going to landfill by 2022.

What does a three-bin service mean for collection?

The three-bin service includes a weekly organics service and a fortnightly recycling and waste service. This means that each week two bins will be collected – your **organics service** as well as either your **recycling** or **waste service**.



KITCHEN CADDY



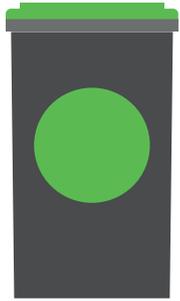
GREEN LID



RED LID



YELLOW LID



Organics

Green-lid bin

I just love turning
your food organics
and garden organics
into soil and mulch
that can be used in
farms, parks and
sportsfields

Weekly collection

Food scraps and garden clippings in the green-lid bin will be collected and processed at the new Composting Facility at Gilmore. The facility is due to be completed in 2022.

In the interim, FOGO material will be processed at a neighbouring compost facility. The nutrient-rich finished product will be used in the local environment.



I'm Composter!

YES



- Garden waste and lawn clippings



- Food scraps



- Meat/fish scraps and bones



- Eggs and dairy products



- Food soiled paper towel and tissues



- Shredded or soiled paper



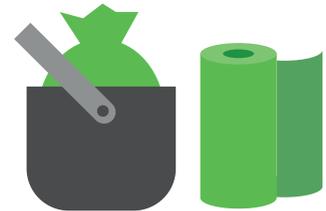
- Soiled pizza boxes

NO we cannot compost:

- ✗ Plastic bags
- ✗ Nappies
- ✗ Pet waste or kitty litter
- ✗ Glass
- ✗ Plastics
- ✗ Tins and cans
- ✗ Timber
- ✗ Gravel or rocks
- ✗ Building material

Use your kitchen caddy to separate and collect food scraps while cooking.

You can use compostable liners that meet the Australian Standard AS4736, newspaper or paper towel to line your caddy.



Green-lid



Recycling

Yellow-lid bin

Fortnightly collection

Your recyclables are collected and taken to the Tumut Resource Recovery Centre (RRC) where they are hand sorted by staff from Valmar (Council's Resource Recovery partner).

At the RRC, materials are sorted according to what they are made of. Once they are squashed and baled into cubes they are then sent for further processing to be converted into new items.



I'm an ideas man and I love taking your recycling and turning it into something new!

I'm Regenerator!

YES



- Paper and cardboard items



- Milk and juice cartons



- Hard plastics, plastic bottles and plastic containers



- Glass bottles and jars



- Aluminum and steel cans



- Foil and foil containers



- Empty aerosol cans

NO we cannot recycle:

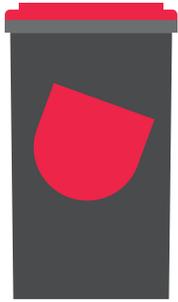
- ✗ Plastic bags
- ✗ Plastic wrap, soft plastics and polystyrene
- ✗ Nappies
- ✗ Medical waste inc. sharps
- ✗ Food scraps and garden organics
- ✗ Soiled pizza boxes
- ✗ Timber or wood
- ✗ Broken glass, mirrors and crockery
- ✗ Toys, clothing and shoes

Top tips:

- Keep it loose** — Don't bag or box your recyclables
- Keep out soft plastics** — No plastic bags or wrapping
- Keep out small items** — Nothing smaller than a credit card
- Keep it safe** — Keep out strapping, hose, netting, wires, cords and cables
- Keep it clean** — Rinse or wipe out containers



Yellow-lid



Waste

Red-lid bin

Fortnightly collection

There's actually not a lot that should be going in your red-lid bin and then to landfill – most things can be recycled or composted!

By donating and reselling household items, sorting items for recycling and reusing our food and garden waste we are able to recover resources that would otherwise be taking up landfill space and reduce our impact on the environment.

There are no landfill sites within the Snowy Valleys and landfill opportunities in our region are limited.



I'm happy
when I haven't
seen you for
a while!

I'm Landfiller!

What you CAN put in your red-lid bin!

Let's all keep our landfill for those few things that actually need it.

- Disposable nappies and incontinence aids
- Glass, pyrex and ceramics (broken or whole)
- Disposable cups, plates and cutlery (check that they aren't certified compostable first!)
- Garden hoses and rope
- Clingwrap and plastic films
- Soft plastics that cannot be cleaned for recycling
- Styrofoam or polystyrene
- Textiles and shoes beyond reuse or repair

The following items don't have to take up space in your red-lid bin, they can be disposed of free-of-charge at your local Community Recycling Centre.

- Cooking oil
- Fluoro tubes & light bulbs
- Smoke alarms
- Batteries
- Gas cylinders
- Electrical appliances
- Household paint
- Motor oil

Managing smells in your bins

Store bins in the shade and out of direct sunlight if possible.

Close the lid — it's simple, but it helps.

Sprinkle bicarbonate of soda in the bottom of your bins (it's a natural odour neutraliser).

Use insect spray around bin lid if flies become a problem.

Rinse bins after collection with water and a dash of tea tree oil or lemon juice.

Managing nappies

Wrap the nappy into itself using the tabs.

Seal nappies tightly in plastic bags (you can use scented bags) before placing in the garbage bin.

It's not always practical, but where possible, tip the contents of the nappy down the toilet before disposing.

Reusable cloth nappies have come a long way in the past decade. Whether using them part-time or full-time, they save space and reduce odours in the red-lid waste bin.

Free Disposal

Community Recycling Centres

What can I take to a Community Recycling Centre?

- **E-Waste**
- **Paint**
- **Motor oils**
- **Household batteries**
- **Gas bottles**
- **Other oils**
- **Smoke detectors**
- **Fire extinguishers**
- **Car batteries**
- **Fluoro globes and tubes**



You can recycle common household problem wastes that can't be collected via Council kerbside collection services at the Tumbarumba and Tumut Resource Recovery Centres.

Funding for the centres comes from the NSW EPA's waste levy, as part of Waste Less, Recycle More. For more information visit the website www.epa.nsw.gov.au/your-environment

What happens to waste items after they have been dropped off?

Paints are mixed with other waste solvents and used as an alternative to fuel in cement kilns. The metal containers are recycled.



Tumut Re-Use Shop

You can now take your old, but reusable items to the Re-Use Shop at Tumut Resource Recovery Centre.

Goods dropped off at the Re-Use Shop will be cleaned and sold through the shop. Not only a great way for you to clean up, but you may also find yourself quite the bargain!

Return and Earn

As part of the NSW Government's container deposit scheme Return and Earn, a collection point has been established at the Tumut Resource Recovery Centre.

The NSW Return and Earn scheme will help to reduce the 160 million drink containers littered in our environment each year. Drink containers make up almost half of the volume of litter in NSW.

Eligible drink containers include most between 150mls and three litres, uncrushed, unbroken and with the original label attached.

Lead acid batteries are sent to recyclers where the lead, acid and plastic are recovered and recycled.

Gas cylinders have remaining gas recovered, and steel sent for recycling. Many cylinders are retested and recycled into the hire market.

Fluorescent tubes and globes contain mercury. Recyclers crush the tubes to separate the phosphor powder from the glass. They feed the powder through receiving containers, where it is filtered to capture fugitive mercury emissions. The mercury is then separated by distillation and sold for a range of industrial uses. The remaining glass and metals are also recycled.

Gas bottles have residual gas captured for reuse. Undamaged bottles are retested, restamped and entered into the hire industry. Damaged bottles are punctured and recycled as scrap metal.

Used oils are processed to become a lubricator used for waste to energy.

Free disposal

Have you heard about the Snowy Valleys Council Waste App?

Snowy Valleys' ratepayers now have access to a quarterly electronic domestic waste voucher to redeem at a time that suits them within that quarter.

As well as access to the waste vouchers, use the SVC Waste app to:

- **set alarms for bin night**
- **report missed services**
- **learn more about what to put in each bin**
- **locate your nearest SVC Resource Recovery Centre**

and much more.



Download the app to your mobile in three easy steps:

- 1** Go to the app store or google play store
- 2** Search for 'Snowy Valleys Council Waste'
- 3** Install the free app and accept push notifications.

If you don't have an app supported device, and would like to receive your quarterly waste voucher, contact our customer service team during business hours on 1300 275 782 (1300 ASK SVC).



SVC Waste App

Resource Recovery Centre

Opening Hours



**I'm your
absolute
last resort!**

	Adelong	Batlow	Khancoban	Talbingo	Tumbarumba	Tumut
MONDAY	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	12pm – 5pm
TUESDAY	9am – 11am	12pm – 2pm	3pm – 5pm	2pm – 3pm	Closed	12pm – 5pm
WEDNESDAY	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	8am – 2pm	Closed
THURSDAY	3pm – 5pm	11am – 2pm	Closed	2pm – 3pm	Closed	12pm – 5pm
FRIDAY	Closed	Closed	3pm – 5pm	Closed	1pm – 5pm	Closed
SATURDAY	8am – 12pm	1pm – 5pm	Closed	12pm – 3pm	9am – 2pm	9am – 3pm
SUNDAY	1pm – 4pm	8am – 12pm	1pm – 5pm	11am – 1pm	12pm – 5pm	12pm – 3pm

Services

SERVICE	COST	Adelong	Batlow	Khancoban	Talbingo	Tumbarumba	Tumut
Asbestos, loose or bonded HAZARDOUS WASTE	NOT ACCEPTED	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
Ag chemical drums (DrumMuster)	FREE	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
Batteries — Single use	FREE	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES	YES
Batteries — Vehicular	FREE	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
Cooking oils bulk containers	FREE	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES	YES
Fire extinguishers	FREE	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES	YES
Fluorescent tubes & bulbs	FREE	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES	YES
Gas bottles	FREE	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES	YES
Green waste	FEES APPLY	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO
Mixed recycling	FREE	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
Motor oil	FREE	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
Scrap metals bulk loads	FREE	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
Return and Earn	FREE	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES



This project is supported by the Environmental Trust as part of the NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment's Waste Less, Recycle More initiative funded from the waste levy.