

# Gold Coast City Council

## A-Z Waste and recycling guide

### Key to Symbols

|           |                                |            |  |          |                                       |
|-----------|--------------------------------|------------|--|----------|---------------------------------------|
| <b>R</b>  | Household recycling bin        | <b>WTS</b> | Recycling station at Waste Transfer Station (WTS)* | <b>B</b> | Local recycling business^             |
| <b>G</b>  | Household garbage bin (bagged) | <b>W</b>   | Home compost bin/worm farm                         | <b>S</b> | Local supermarket                     |
| <b>Gr</b> | Greenwaste collection at WTS#  | <b>LF</b>  | Disposal at WTS or landfill                        | <b>O</b> | Charity shop (saleable quality items) |
| <b>C</b>  | Contact Council (07) 5581 6799 |            |  |          |                                       |

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| A   |  |       |                                    |       |                                     |
|-----|--|-------|------------------------------------|-------|-------------------------------------|
| R   | Aerosol cans (empty)                         | LF%   | Chemical drums (empty), drumMUSTER | G     | Foam boxes/cups                     |
| R   | Aluminium cans                               | G     | Cigarette butts                    | G     | Foam meat trays                     |
| R   | Aluminium foil                               | R     | Cigarette packets (remove plastic) | G     | Foam underlay                       |
| C   | G Animal carcasses                           | G     | Cleaning rags                      | R     | Foil (aluminium)                    |
| G   | Animal droppings                             | G     | Cling wrap                         | R     | Food cans                           |
| C   | LF## Asbestos                                | G     | Cockroach baits                    | G     | W Food waste                        |
| B   |  | G     | Clothing                           | LF    | WTS Fridges (de-gassed)             |
| G   | Bag ties                                     | O     | G Coffee tins/jars                 | G     | W Fruit and vegetable scraps        |
| G   | Band aids                                    | G     | W Coffee grounds                   | B     | LF Furniture                        |
| G   | O Baskets                                    | R     | Computer paper                     | B     | O Furniture (good quality)          |
| WTS | G Batteries (Alkaline: household/single use) | B     | WTS** Computer equipment           | G     |                                     |
| B   | WTS Batteries (lead-acid: car)               | B     | LF Concrete                        | W     | Gr Garden waste                     |
| B   | WTS Batteries (rechargeable)                 | B     | WTS Cooking oil                    | B     | WTS Gas bottles/cylinders           |
| G   | BBQ chicken bags                             | G     | Corks                              | R     | Gift wrapping paper                 |
| R   | Beer bottles/cans                            | R     | Cosmetic jars                      | G     | Glad wrap                           |
| R   | Bottle tops (plastic)                        | G     | Cotton reels                       | WTS   | R Glass bottles and jars            |
| R   | Bottle tops (metal)                          | G     | Cotton wool buds                   | G     | Glass (other than bottles and jars) |
| R   | Bottles (glass, plastic)                     | G     | Cups and saucers (broken)          | W     | Gr Grass clippings                  |
| B   | R Boxes (cardboard)                          | O     | Cups and saucers (intact)          | R     | Greeting cards                      |
| Gr  | Branches                                     | O     | Cutlery (metal)                    | H     |                                     |
| LF  | Bricks                                       | R     | Cutlery (plastic)                  | WTS** | Hazardous waste                     |
| G   | Bubble wrap                                  | D     |                                    | G     | Heat resistant glass (pyrex)        |
| B   | LF Building materials                        | R     | Detergent bottles (plastic)        | B     | WTS Hot water systems               |
| C   |  | G     | Disposable nappies                 | WTS** | Household chemicals                 |
| R   | Cake trays (plastic)                         | G     | Dog poo                            | C     | Hypodermic needles                  |
| R   | Cans   | LF    | B Doors                            | I     |                                     |
| B   | WTS Car parts                                | R     | Drink cans                         | R     | Ice-cream containers                |
| B   | LF Car tyres                                 | LF    | B%% Drums (empty)                  | R     | Ice-cream container lids            |
| G   | Carbon paper                                 | G     | Dust (wrapped)                     | B     | Ink cartridges                      |
| R   | Cards  | E     |                                    | J     |                                     |
| R   | Cardboard                                    | W     | R Egg cartons                      | R     | Jar lids (metal)                    |
| B   | LF Carpet/carpet underlay                    | WTS** | Electrical appliances              | R     | Jar lids (plastic)                  |
| B   | Cartridges (printer/toner)                   | B     | WTS** Electronic waste (eWaste)    | R     | Jars                                |
| G   | Cassette tapes                               | WTS   | G Engine oil containers            | R     | Juice cartons                       |
| G   | Cellophane                                   | R     | Envelopes (plastic window)         | R     | Junk mail                           |
| G   | Ceramics                                     | R     | Envelopes (no window)              | K     |                                     |
| R   | Cereal boxes                                 | O     | Eye glasses                        | G     | Kitty litter                        |
| G   | Cereal box inserts                           | F     |                                    |       |                                     |
| G   | Chip packets                                 | B     | C Fluorescent tubes                |       |                                     |
| B   | WTS** Chemicals                              | B     | C Fire extinguisher                |       |                                     |

| L   |       |                                   |
|-----|-------|-----------------------------------|
| W   | Gr    | Leaves                            |
|     | R     | Lids (plastic or metal)           |
|     | G     | Light bulbs (incandescent)        |
| B   | C     | Light bulbs (compact fluorescent) |
| M   |       |                                   |
|     | R     | Magazines                         |
| G   | W     | Manure                            |
|     | R     | Margarine tubs                    |
|     | G     | Matchboxes                        |
|     | LF    | Mattresses                        |
|     | G     | Meat scraps                       |
|     | G     | Meat trays (foam)                 |
| C   | B^^   | Medicines                         |
|     | R     | Medicine bottles (glass)          |
|     | R     | Milk cartons                      |
|     | R     | Milk bottles (plastic)            |
|     | O     | Mirrors (intact)                  |
|     | G     | Mirrors (broken)                  |
| B   | WTS   | Mobile phones                     |
| B   | WTS   | Motor oil                         |
| WTS | G     | Motor oil containers              |
| N   |       |                                   |
|     | G     | Nappies (disposable)              |
|     | G     | Nappies (cloth)                   |
|     | C     | Needles                           |
|     | R     | Newspapers                        |
| O   |       |                                   |
| B   | R     | Office paper                      |
| B   | WTS   | Oils                              |
|     | WTS   | Ovens                             |
|     | G     | Oven proof glass (pyrex)          |
| P   |       |                                   |
| G   | WTS** | Paint                             |
|     | LF    | Paint tins (dry/empty)            |
| B   | Gr    | Pallets                           |
|     | G     | Paper plates                      |
|     | G     | Paper towel                       |
|     | R     | Paper towel rolls                 |
|     | G     | Pens and pencils                  |
| B   | R     | Pet food tins (rinsed)            |
| B^^ | C     | Pharmaceuticals                   |
|     | R     | Phonebooks                        |

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|-----|----|--------------------------------|
|     | G  | Picture frames                 |
|     | G  | Pill packets                   |
|     | R  | Pizza boxes (clear of food)    |
| O   | G  | Placemats                      |
| W   | Gr | Plant cuttings                 |
|     | G  | Plant pots (terracotta)        |
| WTS | R  | Plant pots (plastic)           |
|     | LF | Plasterboard                   |
| S   | G  | Plastic bags                   |
|     | R  | Plastic containers (codes 1-6) |
|     | R  | Plastic lunch boxes            |
|     | G  | Plastic strapping              |
|     | G  | Plastic trays/baskets          |
|     | G  | Plastic wrappers               |
| B   | G  | Plate glass (wrapped)          |
| B   | G  | Polystyrene                    |
| B   | C  | Printer/toner cartridges       |
|     | G  | Pyrex ovenware (broken)        |
|     | O  | Pyrex ovenware (intact)        |

| R |   |         |
|---|---|---------|
|   | G | Ribbons |
| O | G | Rope    |

| S |     |                         |
|---|-----|-------------------------|
|   | R   | Sauce bottles           |
|   | G   | Seedling containers     |
| B | WTS | Scrap metal             |
|   | G   | Shoes                   |
|   | R   | Softdrink bottles/cans  |
|   | G   | Smoke alarms            |
|   | O   | Spectacles              |
|   | R   | Spirit bottles          |
|   | G   | Sporting goods (broken) |
|   | O   | Sporting goods (intact) |
|   | R   | Steel cans              |
| B | G   | Styrofoam               |
|   | G   | Sweet wrappers          |
|   | C   | Syringes                |
|   | G   | String                  |

| T |   |                                      |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|
|   | R | Take away containers (clean)         |
|   | G | Take-away cups (milkshake/softdrink) |
| G | W | Tea bags                             |
|   | R | Telephone books                      |

|   |       |                         |
|---|-------|-------------------------|
| B | WTS** | Televisions             |
| O | G     | Textiles                |
| B | Gr    | Timber (untreated)      |
|   | LF    | Timber (treated)        |
|   | R     | Tin cans                |
|   | G     | Tissues                 |
|   | R     | Toilet paper rolls      |
| B |       | Toner cartridges        |
|   | O     | Tools                   |
|   | G     | Toys (broken)           |
|   | O     | Toys (clean and intact) |
|   | Gr    | Tree prunings           |
|   | G     | Twine                   |
| B | LF    | Tyres                   |

| U |   |                    |
|---|---|--------------------|
|   | G | Umbrellas (broken) |
|   | O | Umbrellas (intact) |

| V |   |                               |
|---|---|-------------------------------|
|   | G | Vacuum cleaner dust (wrapped) |
| G | W | Vegetable scraps              |
|   | G | Vinyl                         |

| W |     |                          |
|---|-----|--------------------------|
|   | G   | Washing baskets          |
|   | WTS | Washing machines         |
|   | G   | Waxed cardboard          |
|   | G   | Waxed paper              |
| G | Gr  | Weeds                    |
| B | WTS | White goods              |
|   | G   | Window glass             |
|   | R   | Wine bottles             |
| B | Gr  | Wood (untreated/offcuts) |
|   | LF  | Wood (treated/large)     |
|   | R   | Wrapping paper           |

| X |   |       |
|---|---|-------|
|   | B | Xrays |

| Y |   |                    |
|---|---|--------------------|
|   | R | Yoghurt containers |

| Z |   |               |
|---|---|---------------|
|   | G | Zip lock bags |

| Remember to remove lids and rinse all containers of food/residue before placing in your household recycling bin |  |
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| #   | Clean green waste can be deposited in separate collection points at all Council Waste Transfer Stations and Landfills.   |
| ##  | Asbestos can be disposed of for a fee at Stapylton Landfill and Reedy Creek Landfill. Residents can dispose of 10m <sup>2</sup> of asbestos material and it must be wetted down, double wrapped in builders' grade black plastic, securely taped and labelled with 'asbestos' in white writing for transportation. These bundles must be placed on the ground intact when directed at the landfill (EPA Guidelines). Contact Council for full details. |
| *   | Separate collections of recyclable materials at Council Waste Transfer Stations and Landfills may vary at different locations. For full details please contact Council or check <a href="http://www.greengc.com">www.greengc.com</a>   |
| **  | Household hazardous waste and eWaste collections are currently located at Helensvale Waste Transfer Station and Merrimac Waste Transfer Station.   |
| ^   | For local businesses that accept waste materials for recycling please consult <a href="http://www.greengc.com">www.greengc.com</a> , contact Council or check local business directories.  |
| ^^  | Unwanted or unused medications and pharmaceuticals may be returned to your local pharmacy or chemist for safe disposal. Do not flush them down the toilet or put them in your rubbish bin.   |
| %   | Disposal of empty, clean drumMUSTER chemical containers is available by appointment at the Stapylton Landfill (07) 3287 1238. Contact Council for full details.  |
| %%  | Disposal of empty, clean drums is available at all Council landfills. Steel drums are to be punctured at the top, middle and bottom along their height in two rows on opposite sides. The punctures must be at least 30mm by 30mm. Labels must also be removed from drums. Contact Council for full details.   |