What can go in your recycling container

Please place your recycling containers at the kerbside by 7am on collection days.

First blue box
✓ Paper
✓ Newspapers, magazines and junk mail
✓ Leaflets, brochures and soft back catalogues
✓ Telephone directories and Yellow Pages
✓ Greetings Cards

No envelopes. Please don't put anything into plastic bags.

Second blue box
✓ Glass bottles and glass jars
✓ Food tins and drinks cans
✓ Pet food tins

Please don't put anything into plastic bags.

Garden waste bin
✓ Grass clippings
✓ Plants, flowers and leaves
✓ Hedge prunings and weeds
✓ Twigs and small branches
✓ Real Christmas trees

Please don't put plastic sacks or bags into your bin.

For further information please contact:
South Lakeland District Council, South Lakeland House, Lowther street, Kendal, LA9 4UD
☎ 0845 050 4434 customer.services@southlakeland.gov.uk ✉️ southlakeland.gov.uk
My recycling has not been collected - why?

If you accidentally contaminate your recycling containers by putting items in them that are not accepted your container will not be collected.

The collection crew will put a card in your container explaining why they have not taken your recycling.

Recycling is easy. Just be sure to follow the simple guidelines overleaf and everything will be fine. If you are still unsure about what to put in your recycling containers or you have further problems with your collection do not hesitate to contact South Lakeland District Council on 0845 0504434.

Useful information

Try to make sure your containers are visible to the collection crews.

Take your boxes, bags and bins back in as soon as possible following collection.

If you have too much recycling and require a second blue box or green garden waste bin please contact South Lakeland District Council to arrange a delivery.

Suffering from health problems that prevent you putting out your recycling? Contact South Lakeland District Council about the free assisted collection scheme for green bins and grey general waste bins.

Don't lose your recycling containers -

Write your house number on the stickers provided within this pack and attach them to your box or bin. This will prevent the collection crews mixing you and your neighbours' containers.

Handy recycling hints

✓ Make it easy and part of your routine.
Keep your recycling container close to your grey wheelie bin for general waste.

✓ Keep it clean.
It's a lot nicer when items are clean. Try to give them a rinse with the dishwater before draining it away.

✓ Squash it up.
Squashed items take up less space in your container and are easier to collect.