

HOW TO SORT YOUR GARBAGE

Takahashi City asks all residents to separate household garbage into 11 types. This guide provides information on how to sort your garbage.

Please refer to this guide, separate your garbage accordingly, and place it at the designated collection point by 8:30 a.m. on the collection day.

Please note that collection days and garbage types may vary depending on your area.

① Burnable Garbage

Collection Day:

Types:

Kitchen waste, paper waste, wood scraps, cloth items, leather items, leftover cooking oil, Styrofoam products, and other burnable garbage excluding recyclable garbage



How to dispose:

- Drain kitchen waste well.
- Soak up cooking oil with paper or cloth, or solidify it with a coagulant.
- Remove waste from diapers before throwing them away.

- Cut furniture and branches into small pieces and tie them with string.
- Fold *futons*, blankets, and carpets, and tie them with string.
- Put garbage in clear or semi-clear bags up to 45 liters.
- Long items must be under 1 meter long and 10 cm thick, and tie them with string.
- Each bag or bundle must be under 10 kg.

Recyclable Garbage (No② to No⑩)

② PET bottles

Collection Day:

Types:

- PET bottles used for water, tea, juice, etc.
- PET bottles used for condiments such as soy sauce, sauce, *mirin* etc.)
- Plastic bottles with the PET



How to dispose:

- Rinse the inside of the bottle with water.
- Do not crush.
- Remove caps and labels before putting them out for the “Other Plastics” collection day.

At the collection site:

- Put PET bottles directly (not in bags) into the blue collection bag.



③ Other Plastics (Bags and containers with the plastic mark)



Collection Day:

Types:

- Snack bags, food trays, plastic shopping bags, instant noodle cups, *bento* boxes, shampoo and detergent bottles, etc.



How to dispose:

- Remove food and rinse items.
- Empty bottles and tubes completely, and clean them before disposal.
- If dirty and cannot be cleaned, put them out on the “Burnable Garbage” collection day.

At the collection site:

- Put items directly (not in bags) into the green collection bag.



④ — ⑧ Paper Items

(④ Magazines / ⑤ Newspapers /⑥ Cardboard / ⑦ Drink Cartons /
⑧ Mixed Paper)

Collection Day:

Types:



- ④Magazines ⑤Newspapers ⑥Cardboard ⑦Drink carton(milk, juice, alcohol cartons with recycle mark) ⑧Mixed paper(wrapping paper, paper bags, snack boxes, tissue boxes)



How to dispose:

- Please sort the items into the proper categories ④ to ⑧ written above.
- Tie the items together with string in a cross shape.
- Each bundle must be under 10kg.
- Put mixed paper into a paper bag and tie it.
- Remove plastic and metal parts.
- Remove metal parts from cardboard.
- Wash drink cartons and cut them open.

*DO NOT include dirty paper, receipts, and waterproof paper, and put these out in Burnable Garbage.

⑨Cans

Collection Day:

Types:

- Cans for juice and beer, snack cans, food cans, milk cans, spray cans, gas canisters, etc.

(Size: up to half of an 18-liter can)



How to dispose:

- Empty and rinse.
- Pierce a hole in spray cans and gas canisters.
- Do not crush cans.

At the collection site:

- Put cans directly (not in bags) into the blue collection bag.



⑩ Glass Bottles

Collection Day:

Types:

- Glass bottles for beverages such as juice and alcohol etc.
- Glass bottles for condiments such as soy sauce, *mirin* etc.
- Glass bottles for jam, jars for *tsukudani* (food preserved in soy sauce), and cosmetic bottles.

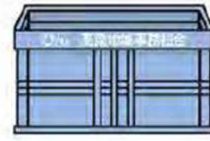


How to dispose:

- Remove caps.
- Rinse the inside.
- Labels do not need to be removed.
- Remove metal caps and put them out in " Non-Burnable Garbage".
- Remove plastic caps and put them out in " Other Plastics".

At the collection site:

- Put bottles directly into the blue collection container.



⑪ Non-burnable Garbage

Collection Day:

Types:

- Metal, glass (except recyclable bottles), ceramics, small appliances, dry cell batteries, lighters, bicycles, etc.



How to dispose:

- Use clear or semi-clear bags up to 45 liters.
- Keep under 10 kg.
- Cut long items to under 1 meter.
- For sharp items, write "Danger" on the bag.
- Remove gas from lighters.
- Remove fuel from heaters such as oilstoves etc.
- Remove dry cell batteries from appliances.

Note:

- Dry cell batteries and fluorescent tubes can also be taken to collection boxes at the city hall or the local branch offices.
- Attach a note “ Not needed” to bicycles.



FAQ

Q: Can I put anything in “Non-Burnable Garbage”?

A: No. Please follow the rules below.

- Shoes, bags, plastic items should be sorted into “ Burnable Garbage”.
- Cans and bottles should be put out on their designated collection days.

Requests:

- Non-burnable garbage is crushed and disposed of in a landfill site. To extend the life of the site, please sort your garbage properly.

Please sort properly to reduce landfill use.

- About lithium-ion batteries:

Small rechargeable batteries, such as lithium-ion batteries, can cause fires during collection. Please use the designated collection boxes available at the city hall or the local branch offices.

Items the city cannot collect:

- For appliances such as TVs, refrigerators, washing machines, computers, etc., please consult the store where those products are sold.
- For items such as beds, wardrobes, sofas, etc., please consult a

specialized disposal service provider.

If you have any questions about how to sort and dispose of garbage,

Please contact:

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