

A – Z of Recycling

Material Name:	How to recycle:
Aerosols (Spray Cans)	Empty aerosols can be recycled in your Burgundy Bin. Please remember - you should never puncture, burn or crush aerosol spray cans because they can explode and the gases can damage the environment.
Aluminium Foil and Trays	E.g. washed milk bottle tops, food trays, baking foil, chocolate foil and wrapping from the neck of drinks bottles. Clean aluminium foil and aluminium food trays can be put in your burgundy bin. Please ensure that they are clean - not contaminated with any food waste.
Asbestos	This requires careful handling and disposal. Contact the Derbyshire County Council help line on 01629 580000 ext 7532
Ashes	Ashes can be disposed of in your black bin*. However, all ashes should be allowed to cool before being placed in the wheelie bin, as hot ashes can damage your bin.
Batteries	You can recycle batteries in the burgundy bin in a securely tied clear plastic bag - simply place the bag containing the batteries on the top of the paper in your caddy.
Blankets and Bedding	You can recycle sheets, blankets etc. via the Burgundy Bin. Please remember to make sure textiles are clean and are placed in a carrier bag.
Books	You can recycle them via your Burgundy Bin. If the book is a hardback, please remove the hardback cover before placing the book in your Burgundy Bin inner box (caddy). You may be able to recycle the hardback cover in the main part of the Burgundy Bin with your cardboard.
Bottles	All colours of glass bottle can be washed and put in your Burgundy Bin.
Bric-a-brac	Most charities accept these or look out for advertisements for jumble sales or bring & buy sales supporting good causes. Car boot sales and advertising in the local newspaper are very popular ways of making cash from your unwanted things - they may be just what someone wanted.
Bulky Household Waste	North East Derbyshire operates a bulk collection service for certain items. Most other items can be taken to the Stonegravels, Buttermilk Lane or Loscoe Household Waste Recycling Centres. North East Derbyshire District Council Tel: 01246 217610
Burglar Alarm Batteries	If you have an old burglar alarm battery to dispose of, you should take this to a Household Waste Recycling Centre. Residents cannot recycle burglar alarm batteries in the burgundy bin.
Cans	Both steel and aluminium cans can be rinsed, squashed and put in the Burgundy Bin or they can be taken to your local recycling site.
Car Batteries	See also Batteries, Watch Batteries, Mobile Phones. Ask the garage/shop to take the old battery for return to the

	manufacturers for recycling. Alternatively these can be taken to the Household Waste Recycling Centre at Stonegravels for recycling.
Cardboard	Residents can recycle all white, grey and brown cardboard, cereal boxes, toothpaste boxes, clean ready meal boxes etc in the Burgundy Bin. Please flatten card before putting it in the burgundy bin. You can also leave large-sized card flattened next to the burgundy bin.
Carpets	They can be taken to the Household Waste Recycling Centre at Stonegravels, Chesterfield, or use the bulk household waste collection service.
Carrier Bags	Please do not dispose of carrier bags in the burgundy bin. The burgundy bin service does not recycle carrier bags, which is why the only plastic bags accepted in the burgundy bin are those used to contain textiles and batteries.
Cartons	Since 1st November 2015, residents can recycle food and drink cartons (such as those used for milk, orange juice, smoothies), via the burgundy bins - please place the carton in the main part of the burgundy bin. Please remember to rinse the carton clean, flatten the carton the carton and leave the lid off.
CDs, Records, Tapes and Videos	Charity shops, hospitals and residential homes may welcome these. Some may have a secondhand value. Old CDs can be used as mats, bird scarers or hanging ornaments.
Charcoal	Try to buy charcoal which has been produced from a sustainable managed source. Ask your supplier
Christmas Cards	Further information about the Christmas Card Recycling Scheme can be found on the Woodland Trust website.
Christmas Trees	If you cut your real Christmas tree into small parts then it can go in your green bin, or take it along to your local Household Waste Recycling Centre
Clothes	Many charities accept clothing, curtains, bedding and other textiles for sale or recycling. You can recycle textiles, including old clothes, shoes tied in pairs, sheets, curtains, towels and blankets in your Burgundy Bin. Please make sure textiles are clean and placed in a carrier bag. Alternatively, take to a textile bank.
Coat Hangers	Refuse to accept them in shops if you don't really need them, charity shops may welcome them
Coins	Foreign coins are collected by the Guide Dogs for the Blind and Leukaemia Research Fund. Some banks, travel agents and airlines collect left over foreign coins for various charities.
Computer Equipment	Remove sensitive information before donating your machine - software is available for this purpose. The following companies may also be able to use your unwanted equipment: Bruce Electronics Recycling, March Street, Sheffield S9 5DQ Tel: 0114 2448050 Mercantile Re-Marketing IT Disposals, 12 Broombank Park, Sheepbridge, Chesterfield, S44 5JL, Tel: 01246 268777 Mercantile, 81 Chatsworth Road, Chesterfield Tel: 08707 650096
Computer inkjet and laser toner cartridges	Many printer, fax and copier cartridges could be re-used or recycled. The following organisations accept used items. Some may collect and deliver free of charge. Greensource Solutions (formerly ActionAid) - offers a toner cartridge recycling scheme with proceeds going to charity and to support re-manufacturing industry. You can also recycle your cartridges and raise money for charities such as NSPCC and Guidedogs. Laser Friend - Specialists in the recycling of printer, fax and

	copier consumables.
Cooking Oil	Householders can take small quantities of cooking oil to the Household Waste Recycling Centre.
Crisp Packets	Crisp packets are not recyclable via the burgundy bin service. Please dispose of your crisp packets in your black (residual waste) bin.
Drink Pouches	Drink pouches, e.g. Capri-Sun, are not recyclable via the burgundy bin service. Please dispose of drink pouches via the black (residual waste) bin.
Electrical Equipment	Householders can:- ask the retailer if they'll take products back;- take old appliances to the local Household Waste Recycling Site;- contact the Council's Bulky Household Waste Collection Service (this is a chargeable service);- arrange for an electrical retailer delivering new equipment to take away the old appliance. Locally two furniture projects run by 'Lighthouse' and the YMCA also take small electrical items for re-use. Under the Waste Electrical & Electronic Equipment (WEEE) Regulations, retailers of WEEE should ensure that their customers can return their WEEE free of charge. This will be on a one-for-one basis, as long as the new equipment is of a similar type and has the same function as the old equipment. Note: Householders are now covered by the duty of care and must ensure they only pass their waste to a registered waste carrier or other approved person.
Envelopes	Residents can recycle envelopes via the Burgundy Bin. White envelopes should be put in the inner box; brown envelopes in the main part of the recycling bin.
Fire extinguishers	A household fire extinguisher is classed as hazardous waste. It SHOULD NOT be disposed of in a household bin. If the fire extinguisher is less than 5 litres or 5kgs in size, then it can be taken to a household waste recycling site. If the fire extinguisher is bigger than this, or if you are in any doubt, please contact Derbyshire County Council for advice.
Flowers	Spent cut flowers and arrangements can be disposed of in your green bin or composted at home. Remember to remove any oasis, wires, plastic, tapes, ribbons etc. before disposing of arrangements.
Fluorescent Tubes (including low energy lightbulbs)	You can take the used lightbulb to a household waste recycling site. Alternatively, it is possible to dispose of a used lightbulb in your domestic residual waste (black) bin.
Foil	Residents can recycle aluminium foil and aluminium food trays in the burgundy bin. Please make sure that they are clean. Please do not put foil/food trays which still have food on them into your burgundy bin, as this will contaminate the contents. See also: Aluminium Foil & Food Trays
Fruit Scraps and Peelings	Uncooked vegetable or fruit waste, e.g. windfall apples can be put in your green bin. Vegetable peelings can be also be home-composted. Please note, from May 2014 residents will be able to dispose of food waste in the green bin.
Furniture	Several charities and voluntary groups welcome donations of furniture, and some can arrange collection. Locally there are two furniture projects run by 'Lighthouse' and the YMCA. Contact details are in reuse your waste / Charities section of this website. Alternatively, take items to the Stonegravel Civic Amenity Site or contact the bulky household waste collection service operated by us.

Garden Waste	Garden waste such as grass cuttings can be recycled as compost. Most garden waste can be put in your green bin. If you have excessive amounts of garden waste, North East Derbyshire District Council can pick up garden waste as a Bulk Collection - please note this is a chargeable service by no-obligation quotation. The Household Waste Recycling Centres also have garden waste recycling facilities.
Gas Cylinders	Empty cylinders should be returned (at no charge) to the place of purchase where they are refilled for re-use, often you will be able to collect the deposit refund if you have the original receipt. If the place of purchase is not known they should be taken to your nearest dealer for that type of gas - look in the Yellow Pages under Bottled Gas & Equipment. If you do not know which company owns the cylinder, a list is available (by clicking on the Adobe Acrobat icon) on the uklpg website (see Website link below). See also HELIUM CANISTERS
Glass	Return bottles where possible, re-use or recycle other glass containers. Remove lids & tops and wash containers in left over washing up water before putting in the burgundy bin, there is no need to remove labels. Sheet glass, lightbulbs, Pyrex glass & glass tableware should not be put in the bottle banks. Keep sites clean and take bags and boxes home. Take sheet glass such as broken windows to a Household Waste Recycling Centre.
Hard Hat	Residents can dispose of hard hats in the burgundy bin. Remember, for your safety, if there is impact to the hard hat it should be replaced, and the plastic deteriorates over time so hard hats only have a recommended 5 year shelf life.
Hazardous Waste	Waste such as pesticides, mercury and petrol and products that carry a warning label that reads Toxic, Flammable, Corrosive, Explosive or Reactive are hazardous. Small amounts of hazardous household waste can be taken to Household Waste Recycling Centre at Stonegravels, Buttermilk Lane or Loscoe.
Helium Canisters	Please refer to the safety instructions supplied with the canister. Specific disposal instructions should be obtained from the manufacturer or supplier if it is not displayed on the cylinder. Residents with disposable helium canisters from filling party balloons can take the empty cylinder to the local Household Waste Recycling Centre. To recycle the disposable helium cylinder, it must be fully discharged - to ensure the discharged cylinder is completely empty, leave it outside overnight with the valve open. See also GAS CYLINDERS
Household Chemicals	Many products used in the house and garden can be hazardous if poured down the drain e.g. paint stripper, white spirit, weed killers, fertilisers, pesticides and photographic materials. Recent regulations have made possession of some items illegal, for more information click on the link below.
Ink Cartridges	See Computer Ink Cartridges
Jars	Re-use for jam/preserve making, dry food storage, sauces, mayonnaise etc. Glass jars can also be recycled in the Burgundy Recycling Bin. Please remove lids and rinse the jars before putting them in your Burgundy Bin. SEE ALSO 'GLASS' FOR FURTHER INFORMATION
Jigsaws	Complete jigsaws can be accepted by charity shops, playgroups, schools, hospitals and residential homes.
Jumble sales	Often advertised locally or in the local press, these are a valuable source of funds for many worthwhile causes and would

	welcome many of your unwanted items.
Kitchen Knives	Kitchen knives should be disposed of with care. Cover the blade of the knife securely, i.e. with cardboard, for safety, and hand to a member of staff at Household Waste Recycling Centre for safe disposal.
Medicine / Medicine Bottles	Unused medicines and tablets should be returned in their containers to the pharmacy (or vets for animal medicines) for safe disposal. Empty bottles can also be returned for re-use. Alternatively, recycle empty glass bottles in the Burgundy Recycling Bin. See 'GLASS' for further information.
Metal	Take to the Household Waste Recycling Centre or take to a scrap metal merchant - look in the Yellow Pages.
Mobile Phones	Over 1200 mobile phone and electronics shops countrywide will take your old mobile phone and battery for recycling or refurbishment. Numerous charities including Greensource, Oxfam, Arthritis Research Campaign and Guide Dogs for the Blind will also recycle your phone.
Music	(Records/tapes/CD's) Hospitals, residential homes and charity shops may accept unwanted music. Some may have a second hand value. Tapes can be used to re-record over and over again.
Musical Instruments	Local schools and playgroups or community groups may welcome these.
Nappies	If the 3,000 babies born in North East Derbyshire each year each use five disposable nappies per day then almost five and a half million nappies would be going to local landfill sites each year. There is an alternative - cotton nappies are available shaped to fit, in different sizes, have velcro fastenings, breathable, waterproof coverings and one way nappy liners to keep your baby comfortable and dry. Using washable nappies can save parents several hundreds of pounds a year.
Newspaper	Recycle your newspapers in your Burgundy Bin
Oil	It is illegal to pour oil down the drain. More information about the Oil Care Campaign including details on the Oil Care Code can be found on the Environment Agency website.
Paint	It can be taken to the local Household Waste Recycling Centre. Small quantities of paint left in tins can be disposed of in the refuse bin - paint should be allowed to skim over and the lid replaced firmly before being placed in the dustbin, only 1 or 2 per collection. It is, however, one of the worst pollutants in landfill sites.
Paper	You can recycle your paper in the Burgundy Bin. If you cannot fit all the paper in the inner box, simply put it in a bag, i.e. carrier, and present the bag at the side of the Burgundy Bin. Household Waste Recycling Centres have paper recycling facilities. From 1 November 2015, shredded paper can be recycled via the burgundy bin - please place the shredded paper in the bottom the the caddy, weighted down with other papers and magazines. To reduce the amount of shredded paper created, shred only paperwork containing personal information.
Pegs	Dolly style pegs can be used for craft activities by The St John Ambulance or local play and community groups.
Pet Food Pouches	Pet food pouches, e.g. Whiskas pouches, Felix pouches, are not recyclable via the burgundy bin service. Please dispose of pet food pouches via the black (residual waste) bin.
Pet Waste	Waste from herbivores (animals that eat only vegetables) can be disposed of in your green bin. This includes shavings, hay,

	straw and droppings from animals such as rabbits, hamsters and guinea pigs. Waste from meat-eating animals, such as dogs and cats should not be put in your green bin.
Photos (Glossy)	If you have a small amount of glossy photos which you wish to dispose of, you can recycle them in the caddy (inner box) of your burgundy bin.
Plant Pots and Seed Trays	Unfortunately most garden centres won't re-use old seed trays. If you grow your own plants from seed, try re-using cleaned old plant pots and seed trays rather than buying new. Mixed plastics can be recycled, so clean plastic plant pots and seed trays can be put in your burgundy bin.
Plastic	Plastic bottles, e.g. milk bottles, soft drink bottles, detergent bottles, shampoo bottles, household cleaning product bottles and the plastic bottle lids, and plastic containers, e.g. yoghurt pots, butter tubs, food trays, can be recycled via the new Burgundy Bin service. Bottles should be rinsed out and squashed, where possible, with their lids removed.
Plastic lids	Plastic lids, off drinks bottles, yogurt and cream tubs, cleaning product bottles, aerosols, and other food containers (e.g. the plastic lid from custard powder tubs) can be recycled via the burgundy bin service. Residents are advised to remove the lids from plastic bottles before placing the bottle and lid in the burgundy bin.
Postcards	Postcards are collectable items. There are stalls dealing in second hand / collectable items on the Chesterfield Thursday market.
Sanitary Protection Products	Two billion sanitary items are flushed down toilets each year causing damage to marine life and offensive pollution. Choose towels with minimum packaging and don't flush sanitary towels and tampons down the toilet. 75% of blocked drains are caused this way.
Seed Trays	See 'Plant Pots and Seed Trays' for information.
Sheet Music	Oxfam accepts sheet music.
Shoes, Boots & Wellingtons	Take to charity shops, recycle in the Burgundy Bin or put in textile banks if listed on the bank as acceptable. Tie them together in pairs. Shoes which are in good condition are passed onto developing countries, others can be recycled.
Shredded Paper	Shredded paper can be recycled via the burgundy bin service. Please place your shredded paper in the bottom of your paper caddy, weighted down by the other papers. If you are on the rural route and have clear bags provided instead of a caddy, please put the shredded paper in the clear bag with your other paper recycling.
Smoke Alarms	Household smoke alarms can be disposed of in your black bin. However, due to regulations, no more than one smoke alarm should be disposed of in the same bin for the same collection day.
Spectacles	Many opticians collect old spectacles which are passed onto developing countries. Send any spectacles that are in good condition to VisionAid (free of charge), where they will be passed on to projects in developing countries. Please do not send cases, broken glasses or bifocals. Pack them in a sturdy cardboard box clearly addressed : Vision Aid Overseas, 12 The Bell Centre, Newton Road, Manor Royal, Crawley, West Sussex. RH10 2FX enclosing a compliment slip.
Stamps	Deaf & Hearing Support (CAMTAD) North Derbyshire, Guide Dogs for the Blind and the Leukaemia Research Fund all

	collect used stamps.
Telephone Directories	All of these, including the BT 'Phone Book', Yellow Pages and 'Business Pages' directories can be recycled in the Burgundy Bin.
Telephones	BT Phoneshops accept cordless phones for recycling as well as mobile phones. You can also telephone Freephone 0800 800 150, to request a padded jiffy bag to send back your unwanted rented telephone (BT models only). (See Mobile phones).
Textiles	Old clothes, sheets, curtains, towels and blankets etc can be recycled in the Burgundy Bin. Please make sure textiles are clean and placed in a clear plastic bag.
Toiletries	Look out for those sold in recycled or refillable bottles. Buy large bottles and decant into smaller ones to save money and packaging. Plastic bottles from shampoo, hand wash etc can be recycled in the Burgundy Bin.
Tools	Hand tools - Tools for Self Reliance (see link) need good quality hand tools for carpenters, mechanics and blacksmiths which they refurbish and send to village development groups in Africa. Garden tools - DYNAH (Do You Need A Hand?) require garden tools including lawnmowers. Their address is:11 Nesbit Street Hillstown Bolsover S44 6LW Tel: 01246 241108
Toys & Games	Charity shops schools, playgroups, hospitals & play schemes may all accept toys & games that are in reasonable condition.
Tyres	Ask at tyre dealers whether they will send tyres brought in by individuals for recycling, some may ask for a small fee. Never burn tyres as this is illegal and gives off toxic fumes.
Vegetable Scraps and Peelings	Uncooked vegetable waste can be disposed of in your green bin or home-composted.
Wallpaper	Wallpaper CANNOT be recycled in the burgundy bin. If you wish to dispose of used or excess (unused) wallpaper, please put it in your black residual waste bin or take to one of the Household Waste Recycling Sites (Stonegravels, Buttermilk Lane etc).
Wood	The Arkwright Society, Sir Richard Arkwright's Cromford Mill, Mill Lane, Cromford, would welcome reasonable quality reclaimed timber e.g. solid wood doors, beams etc. for use in their woodworking workshop. Collection is often possible. This Society helps the young, the long term unemployed and community offenders. Contact Peter Bowler on: Tel/Fax 01629 823256
Wool	Schools and playgroups may use wool as a craft material. Charity shops and other voluntary groups may accept wool for sale or re-use.
Wrapping Paper	many types of wrapping paper having plastic and metallic coatings, and glitter, which make the paper look nicer, mean that residents unfortunately will not be able to recycle their wrapping paper in the burgundy bins. Also, some wrapping "paper" is not actually paper but is in fact made of plastic or foil, and therefore cannot be recycled. Residents are therefore advised to put their wrapping paper into the black residual waste bin
Yoghurt / Dessert Pots	Yoghurt pots and other plastic containers can be recycled in the Burgundy Bin.
Zips	Charity shops may accept working zips.

