

# Rubbish and Recycling FAQs...

For more information about these questions, please call **0161 770 6644** or visit [www.oldham.gov.uk/waste](http://www.oldham.gov.uk/waste) for full details.

## What recycling services can I use?

In Oldham there are blue bins for paper & cardboard, brown bins for glass, cans and plastic bottles and green bins for food and garden waste.

## When are my bins collected?

Your rubbish and recycling will be collected on the same day of each week. Apart from your weekly food & garden collection all your other recycling and waste collection services are collected on a rolling fortnightly basis.

## How do I get new recycling bins?

Get in touch to order new recycling bins or swap your current bins for a larger or smaller bin free of charge. Please also contact us if you are struggling to manage your rubbish and we will try to help you.

## Can I put plastic bags in my recycling bins?

No. We cannot empty recycling bins which contain plastic bags.

Supermarkets often offer a plastic bag recycling facility or you can take them to your local recycling centre at Arkwright Street. Alternatively, you can put them in your grey bin.

## What should I do with big items that won't fit in my grey bin?

We offer a bulky waste collection service for things like mattresses, fridges and other unwanted household items. Bulky collections are £15.50 for three items and £7.75 for each additional item and we take bagged up textiles and small electrical goods for free with any collection.

Alternatively, you can take them to the recycling centre at Arkwright Street, donate to charity, give away or swap on the internet using sites like Freecycle.

## Why hasn't my bin been emptied?

There are many reasons why your bin may not have been emptied from vehicle break downs, roadworks or other access issues. Please also make sure to put the right materials in your recycling bins as we simply cannot empty bins which are contaminated with the wrong stuff.

# Recycling and waste disposal in Oldham



# Recycling your small electrical items.



## Do you have any small unwanted or broken electrical items?

If you can answer **YES** to any of the following then we can take it!

- Have a plug?
- Use batteries?
- Need charging?
- Have the crossed out wheelie bin logo?

You can take these to your nearest Household Waste Recycling Centre located at:  
Arkwright Street, Oldham, OL9 9LZ

## Collection calendar



Your collection day for all collections is **Monday**.  
Your recycling and rubbish services will be collected in the following way:

Green week		Blue week		
Food Caddy or Garden bin	Cans, glass and plastic bottles	Food Caddy or Garden bin	General rubbish	Paper and cardboard

Mar 2014		Apr 2014		May 2014		June 2014		July 2014		Aug 2014	
	3	7	14	5*	12	2	9		7		4
10	17	21*	28	19	26*	16	23	14	21	11	18
24	31					30		28		25*	
Sept 2014		Oct 2014		Nov 2014		Dec 2014		Jan 2015		Feb 2015	
	1	6	13	3	10	1	8		5		2
8	15	20	27	17	24	15	22	12	19	9	16
22	29					29		26		23	
Mar 2015		Apr 2015		May 2015		June 2015		July 2015		Aug 2015	
	2	6*	13	4*	11	1	8		6		3
9	16	20	27	18	25*	15	22	13	20	10	17
23	30					29		27		24	31*

\* Please note that on the Monday Bank Holidays 21st April, 5th May, 26th May, 25th August 2014 and 6th April, 4th May, 25th May and 31st August 2015 your waste collections will take place as normal

For more information about your waste and recycling services why not log on to our website at: [www.oldham.gov.uk/waste](http://www.oldham.gov.uk/waste)

Here you can find out all the latest news, information on our bulky household item collection, report a missed bin, request a new recycling container and much more.