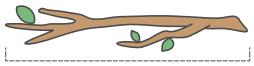
SORTING GUIDE

Regional District of Nanaimo

Organics
GREEN LID

- FRUITS AND VEGETABLES
- MEAT, POULTRY, FISH, SHELLFISH AND BONES
- BREAD, DOUGH, PASTA AND GRAINS
- EGGS AND DAIRY PRODUCTS
- TEA BAGS, COFFEE GROUNDS AND FILTERS
- FOOD-SOILED PAPER TOWELS AND NAPKINS AND CONTAINERS MADE OF CARDBOARD/ BOXBOARD
- LEAVES, GRASS AND LIGHT YARD TRIMMINGS
- INCLUDES TWIGS, SMALL BRANCHES AND PRUNINGS



*Maximum length **60 cm (2 ft)***



*Maximum diameter **1.5 cm (0.5 in)***

Friendly Reminders: Please leave your carts in the unlocked position when out for collection. If you use a liner bag (optional), make sure it is stamped with one of these logos to guarantee it is **certified compostable**.

COMPOSTABLE BPI

COMPOSTABLE www.compostable.info

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE PROHIBITED:

- Plastics
- Soil, sod or rocks
- Diapers and other personal hygiene items
- Pet waste, including cat litter
- Cigarettes
- Invasive plants

Recyclables
BLUE LID

- PRINTED PAPER AND CARDBOARD
- NEWSPAPERS AND MAGAZINES
- ALUMINUM CONTAINERS AND FOIL
- PAPER PACKAGING FOR LIQUIDS
- ICE CREAM BOXES
- HARD/RIGID PLASTIC CONTAINERS
- EMPTY AEROSOL CANS AND CAPS (NON HAZARDOUS)
- METAL CONTAINERS AND LIDS

Keep items loose – do **NOT** stack items inside one another.
Rinse and **flatten** before placing in bin.

Garbage (Landfill)
GREY LID

- DIAPERS
- PLASTIC SQUEEZE TUBES
- PET WASTE, INCLUDING CAT LITTER *Please bag and securely tie.*
- PERSONAL HYGIENE PRODUCTS
- PET FOOD BAGS *(with multi-layer lining)*

BEFORE PLACING ANYTHING IN THE GARBAGE CART, PLEASE CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING:

- Can it go into my recycling or organics cart?
- Can it be fixed or refurbished?
- Can it be recycled at a depot?
- Can it be donated?

Take to Drop-off Depots

- GLASS CONTAINERS
- FLEXIBLE PLASTIC
- FOAM
- SCRAP METAL
- ELECTRONICS AND APPLIANCES
- BATTERIES AND LIGHT BULBS
- PAINT, FLAMMABLES, PESTICIDES AND MOTOR OIL CONTAINERS

To access the **What Goes Where** recycling directory, visit **rdn.bc.ca/what-goes-where**, scan the QR code or download the free **RDN Curbside** smartphone app.

