

Your Christmas Recycling Guide with Times & Dates

Christmas is a time of plenty... but that also means plenty of waste. Check out our Christmas recycling tips

- An estimated 1 billion cards will be sent in the UK. You can recycle these in your green box or why not save them to make individual gift tags for next year and recycle the leftovers.
- We waste more food at Christmas time than any other time of the year. Make the most of your leftovers by visiting www.lovefoodhatewaste.com for fantastic recipe ideas. Remember you can recycle Turkey bones and carcasses in your brown food waste bin along with all your other food waste.
- Almost 5,000 tonnes of foil are used over Christmas, enough to cover 1500 square miles. Remember to recycle used foil and foil trays in your grey box. Did you know that large biscuit tins can also be recycled in your grey box? If you're not using them for handy storage then please put them out with your recycling.
- 500 tonnes of old Christmas tree lights are thrown away each year yet they can be recycled. Small



household electrical appliances, cables and batteries can all be recycled in your green box.

- More than 80,000 tonnes of old clothes are thrown away over Christmas – donate your unwanted clothes to charity or place them out for recycling in a sealed bag next to your green box.

Extra recycling

Remember - the main sources of extra rubbish are packaging and cards, glass bottles, drinks cans and



food all of which can be recycled! It may not all fit in your boxes but you can still put out your extra recycling in a clearly labelled bag or box that will be returned to you. Please still separate the materials as you usually would in the grey and green boxes.

You can also take all the extra cardboard from your presents and the extra party bottles and cans to your nearest recycling centre to be recycled.

Many of us receive some great gifts at Christmas, many of which are a newer version of what we already have.

Why not donate your unwanted treasures to the recycling centre reuse shops. We are always on the lookout for unwanted electricals, toys and general brick a brack. Find your nearest reuse shop www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk



Christmas FAQ'S

Will my collection day change over the Christmas period?

Yes, collection days will change during the last two weeks in December. Please check the day changes below carefully. You will also have recently received your annual collection calendar which details changes to your collections over the festive period.

Are the Recycling Centres open over Christmas?

Some recycling centres will be open more days over Christmas to help you with your extra recycling. All sites will be closed on Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day. See the opening times below

Can I recycle my real Christmas tree?

Yes, you can recycle your real Christmas tree in your garden waste bin when collections resume in mid-January. Please ensure they are cut up and contained in your green wheeled bin with the lid closed.



You can also, if you prefer, take your tree to your local recycling centre where the staff will help you put it in the correct recycling container.

Another option is to support your local hospice charities by registering for their Christmas tree collection. For a small donation you can take the hassle out of disposing of your tree and help a great cause too!

Hospice of the Good Shepherd in Chester, St Lukes Hospice in Northwich and St Johns Hospice in Mirral have all teamed up with the Charity Christmas tree collection service this year. Help them to help others and arrange a collection by visiting

www.charityxmastreecollection.com



JUSTHELPING

Registered Charity number 1140968

Christmas Tree Recycling

Register online, donate and have your Christmas tree collected and recycled this Christmas supporting local charities across Cheshire

Register today

www.charityxmastreecollection.com

Register your tree by the beginning of January



Household Waste Recycling Centre Christmas 2017 opening hours

| | | Northwich | Neston | Frodsham | Tattenhall |
|-----------|------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Wednesday | 27 December 2017 | *8am - 4pm | *8am - 4pm | 8am - 4pm | *8am - 4pm |
| Thursday | 28 December 2017 | *8am - 4pm | 8am - 4pm | *8am - 4pm | 8am - 4pm |
| Friday | 29 December 2017 | 8am - 4pm | 8am - 4pm | 8am - 4pm | 8am - 4pm |
| Saturday | 30 December 2017 | 8am - 4pm | 8am - 4pm | 8am - 4pm | 8am - 4pm |
| Sunday | 31 December 2017 | 8am - 4pm | 8am - 4pm | 8am - 4pm | 8am - 4pm |
| Monday | 1 January 2018 | Closed | Closed | Closed | Closed |
| Tuesday | 2 January 2018 | 8am - 4pm | *8am - 4pm | *8am - 4pm | *8am - 4pm |
| Wednesday | 3 January 2018 | *8am - 4pm | *8am - 4pm | 8am - 4pm | *8am - 4pm |
| Thursday | 4 January 2018 | Closed | 8am - 4pm | Closed | 8am - 4pm |
| Friday | 5 January 2018 | 8am - 4pm | 8am - 4pm | 8am - 4pm | 8am - 4pm |

*Extra opportunities to recycle over the Christmas and New Year period at the Household Waste Recycling Centres.

Sites at Winsford, Ellesmere Port and Chester will keep to normal opening hours over the Christmas period. All sites will be closed on Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day.



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Christmas 2017 waste and recycling collection dates

| Normal collection date | Revised collection date |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Monday, 25 December 2017 | Saturday, 23 December 2017 |
| Tuesday, 26 December 2017 | Wednesday, 27 December 2017 |
| Wednesday, 27 December 2017 | Thursday, 28 December 2017 |
| Thursday, 28 December 2017 | Friday, 29 December 2017 |
| Friday, 29 December 2017 | Saturday, 30 December 2017 |
| Monday, 1 January 2018 | Tuesday, 2 January 2018 |
| Tuesday, 2 January 2018 | Wednesday, 3 January 2018 |
| Wednesday, 3 January 2018 | Thursday, 4 January 2018 |
| Thursday, 4 January 2018 | Friday, 5 January 2018 |
| Friday, 5 January 2018 | Saturday, 6 January 2018 |



GARDEN WASTE

Garden waste collections will be suspended for two weeks commencing Monday, 1 January 2018, resuming on Monday, 15 January 2018. Find out what you can recycle over Christmas at: www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk



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