

Food & Garden Organics Kerbside Collection Service (FOGO) Coming Soon

A guide to Launceston's new organic waste service

What's this about?

FOGO is a new organic waste service in Launceston. The average Launceston household's garbage bin contains 50% organic material, so we want to make better use of that and significantly reduce the city's contribution to landfill.

How does it work?

Everyone who receives a kerbside recycling service in the urban areas of Launceston and Lilydale is eligible for the FOGO service. Once you've registered and paid the one-off fee, you'll receive a 240 litre (green lid) bin and a kitchen caddy. Then, just follow the instructions for what can be placed in these bins and what can't.

Keep collected organics free from contamination and as it is difficult to distinguish between compostable, biodegradable and ordinary plastic bags, no bags will be accepted. Keep your kitchen caddy clean by lining it with newspaper, junk mail or paper (all of which can be composted) and rinse regularly.

Collected material will be composted at a custom built organics recycling facility at the Launceston Waste Centre. The composted product will be used as mulch and soil conditioner in Council parks and gardens and at the landfill site as part of rehabilitation projects. When fully operational, this will be available for the community to purchase.

What's the cost?

For a one-off fee of \$65 you'll receive a 240 litre FOGO (green lid) wheelie bin and a 7 litre kitchen caddy.

How do I register?

Registration is voluntary and opens in August 2017. You can register online or through our Customer Service Centre and choose to prepay or pay closer to the delivery date.

I've registered and paid, now what?

Bin and caddy delivery will begin in September 2017 and collection starts October 2017. FOGO start date subject to approval.

Questions?

Call our Customer Service Centre on 6323 3000 or visit us at the Town Hall.

www.launceston.tas.gov.au/FOGO



What to put in your organics bin:

✓	Meat and bones
✓	Fish
✓	Dairy
✓	Fruit
✓	De-packaged out of date food
✓	Branches
✓	Hair and fur
✓	Weeds
✓	Grass clippings
✓	Small garden waste – leaves, flowers, etc.
✓	Pizza boxes
✓	Paper - newspapers, paper towel, junk mail, etc.
✗	Green waste in bags*
✗	Plastic bags*
✗	Packaged food

*even if marked as biodegradable or compostable.

Use the free **Recycle Coach™** app to receive collection alerts on your phone.

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