

Garden Waste

No garden waste is allowed in your black household waste bin and we will not collect garden waste left at the side of the bin.

Home Composting

Composting is an inexpensive, natural process that transforms your kitchen and garden waste into a valuable and nutrient rich food for your garden. For more information about home composting and for details of the latest compost bin offers visit www.thanet.getcomposting.com or call 0844 571 4444

Alternatively, you can take your garden waste to the Kent County Council household waste recycling sites.

Garden waste from these sites is taken to a centralised composting facility where it is shredded and composted.



Kent County Council household waste recycling sites:

Manston Road,
Margate CT9 4LX

Richborough,
Ramsgate Road,
Sandwich CT13 9NW



Kent County Council household waste and recycling sites accept a number of different items including:

- Glass
- Textiles
- Garden waste, soil and rubble
- Metal
- Wood
- TV's, VCR's, white goods and batteries

For a full list of materials, which can be recycled, visit www.kent.gov.uk

Bulky Waste

The council offers a charged collection service for items such as fridges and freezers and items of furniture.

For details and charges please call Customer Services on 01843 577115.



Your wheeled
bin has arrived
A guide to your new service

Environmental Protection Act 1990

This Act states that the council has a duty to collect household waste. It also allows the council to determine the arrangements for the collection of household waste. These include what container (eg bin, bag etc) the rubbish should be stored in as well as where the waste must be placed for collection.

Please take care to follow these guideline as Thanet District Council has the power to fine those individuals who put rubbish out on the wrong day and/or in the wrong container.

About your wheeled bin

Wheeled bins in Thanet have resulted in cleaner streets and safer working conditions for our refuse collection crews. The bins prevent rubbish sacks being attacked by seagulls and other vermin reducing the amount of rubbish spread across roads and footpaths from split rubbish sacks.

Unless you have requested a different size, the bin provided is 140 litre capacity. This is equivalent to one and a half standard dustbins. You will continue to receive a weekly collection.



Remember!

- Always put your rubbish in bags before placing in the bin - this will help keep the bin clean and odour free.
- Always keep the lid closed - this will prevent seagulls and other vermin attacking your rubbish.
- On day of collection place your bin at the very front of your property close to your nearest footpath.
- Your bin must be available for collection by 6am on your day of collection.
- Occasionally rinse your bin with a mild detergent - this will help keep your bin clean.

Assisted Collection

If you have a mobility disability that prevents you from pulling out your wheeled bin for collection and do not live with anyone who can move the bin please phone 01303 577115 to request an assisted collection.

You may be required to provide a medical certificate.

Side Waste

The Council has a policy not to collect excess waste. This "no side waste" policy means that we will only collect waste placed within your black household waste wheeled bin. Any waste that is left beside the bin, on top of your bin or which prevents your bin lid from closing will not be collected.



Trouble fitting your rubbish in the wheeled bin?

Reduce

A third of all the food bought in the UK ends up being thrown away. For advice about saving food waste and great recipe ideas visit [Love Food Hate Waste www.lovefoodhatewaste.com](http://www.lovefoodhatewaste.com). Visit www.thanet.gov.uk for more tips about how to reduce your waste.

Reuse

Donate your good quality clothes, shoes, toys, and china to your local charity shop. Clothes and shoes can also be donated via the textile banks at the bring sites in major supermarket car parks. Thanet Freegle is a web based group where you can offer, and receive, items for free. For more information visit www.thanetfreegle.org.

Recycle

Recycle your glass, tins and cans at one of Thanet's recycling sites. Recycle your paper and card using your fortnightly collection service.

Still having problems?

Try using smaller rubbish bags ie carrier bags – you will be able to fit more into the bin. If you have five or more people permanently living in your home or if someone in your home suffers from a medical condition which produces additional waste you may be eligible for a larger 180ltr bin or a clinical waste collection.

For more details about Thanet District Councils waste collection service, the garden waste and paper/card collection or to apply for a larger bin please contact Customer Services 01843 577115 or visit our web site www.thanet.gov.uk