

Your new food and garden waste service is here!

From Monday 4 July, your garden waste bin will become your food and garden waste (FOGO) bin. This means your food waste will now go in your green bin along with your garden waste.

We'll then begin to collect your FOGO bin weekly and turn your waste into nutritious compost.

As you will have less waste going into your rubbish bin, from Monday 4 July your new, larger rubbish bin will be collected fortnightly.

There is no change to your recycling bin. The recycling bin will continue to be emptied fortnightly, on alternate weeks to your rubbish bin.



Get in touch

Find out more about this change at banyule.vic.gov.au/FOGO

For any other questions or queries please call **9490 4222**.

You can also email enquiries@banyule.vic.gov.au with any questions or concerns.

Together, let's rethink our waste.



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Interpreter Services

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Why is this change happening?

Did you know that more than half of the waste that goes to landfill in Banyule can be composted?

When our food scraps, garden waste and organic matter go to landfill, they release methane – a powerful greenhouse gas that contributes to climate change.

Instead, we want to compost our food and garden waste – turning it into nutritious compost that can be used on farms, gardens and parks.



How to manage your food waste



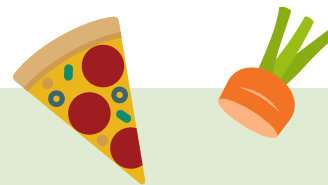
Your kitchen caddy

Along with this flyer you will have also received your new kitchen caddy!

Use your kitchen caddy to easily collect your food scraps as you prepare meals and clean up leftovers. Then, empty contents into your FOGO bin as required!

You can use your caddy without any lining, or you can line with one to two pieces of newspaper or paper towel. Please do not place plastic of any kind including bags and liners (even ones labelled as compostable) in your kitchen caddy or food and garden waste bin, as these cannot be processed through our facilities.

Make sure you rinse your caddy regularly. To prolong the label life, hand washing is recommended however it is dishwasher safe. Your kitchen caddy is made of 100% post-consumer recycled materials!



Top tip!

To keep your caddy clean, try lining the bottom with a couple of sheets of newspaper or paper towel, these can be composted in small quantities. You can also try sprinkling some bi-carb soda in your caddy, to absorb any potential odours.



Your FOGO bin

Your FOGO bin will be collected every week! Here are a few simple tips and tricks to help manage your FOGO bin. Where possible;

- Place grass clippings or garden prunings at the base of your FOGO bin before adding food waste, and in layers between.
- Let hot food cool down before placing in your FOGO bin.
- Keep your bin in a shaded area out of the sun.
- Don't overfill your bin, as an overfilled bin will not be collected! Your bin lid must be closed.
- Refrigerated foods - like meat, seafood and dairy - may benefit from being kept in the fridge or freezer until bin night.

