

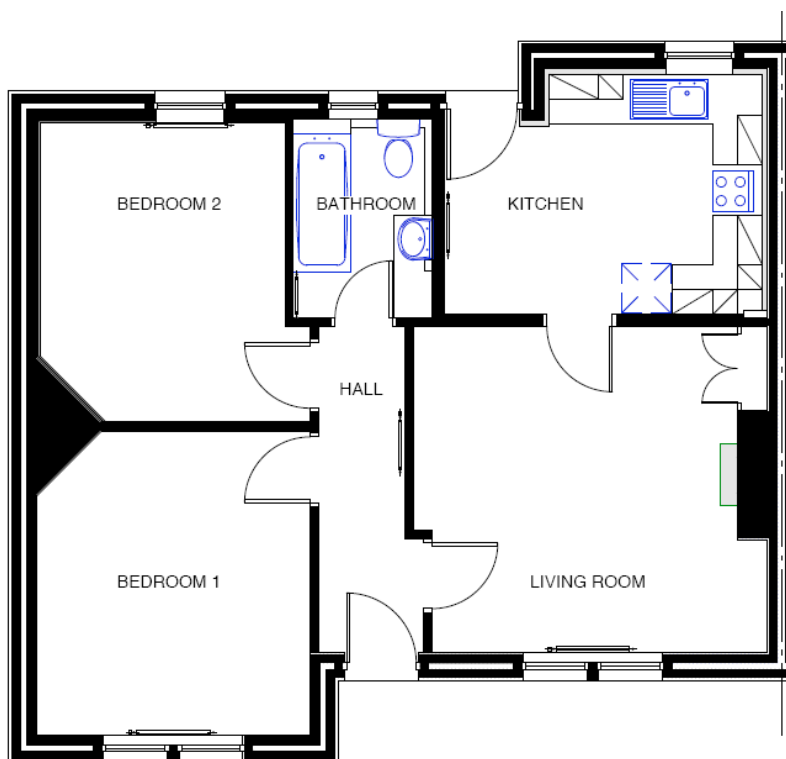


ROOM BY ROOM GUIDE

While we appreciate that most people are good at recycling at home, our audits of household waste bins show there is still more that could be done.

An audit carried out in April 2014 revealed that 51% of the average household waste bin was still made up of recyclable material, costing us around £3000 extra per day to send to landfill.

To try and help you get even more from your recycling service we have designed a room by room guide showing all materials and items from each room in the house that should be getting recycled, either by using your own recycling containers or at your nearest recycling centre.



For further information please contact us on:

☎ 01343 557 045 or visit

✉ waste@moray.gov.uk



BATHROOM

Aerosols

Deodorants, body sprays, air fresheners, shaving foams. Once emptied, remove any plastic lids/caps etc and simply place in your purple bin or nearest can bank at your local recycling centre or point.

All tins / cans in Moray are delivered to sorting plant in Lossiemouth where they are segregated into steel and aluminium, crushed and baled into cubes for transfer. The steel goes to Gray's Recycling and Williamsons in Moray for reprocessing and the aluminium goes to Novelis Aluminium Recycling in Alloa.

Cardboard

Toilet roll holders, tissue boxes, toothpaste packets. These can go in your Blue bin or your nearest paper / card skip. The mixed paper and card collected in Moray is good quality with low contamination, it is transferred to SAICA NATUR, Kirkcaldy who send it to UPM Newsprint Mill in Wales for recycling, primarily into newsprint.

Glass Bottles

Aftershaves and perfumes as well as some gift soaps & bubble bath come in glass bottles. These can simply be rinsed out and put in your orange Box or nearest glass bank at your local recycling centre or point.

The mixed glass from Moray is delivered to MKD32 Ltd in Leith where it is crushed and stored before being shipped to make further glass products Medicines

Most pharmacies operate a take back service for un-required medication and tablets. Disposing of medicines in landfill or by flushing them down the toilet can potentially cause a build up of chemicals in the water supply. Ask your local pharmacy for more information. Glass bottles that held medication should be thoroughly rinsed out and put in your orange recycling box or nearest glass bank.

Plastic Bottles

Hand wash, Shampoo & Conditioner, Shower Gel, Mouthwash, Contact Lens Solutions, Bathroom Cleaner, Bleach – all come in plastic bottles which can be recycled in your purple bin or at your nearest Recycling Centre/Point. Please rinse out the bottles first - to avoid the build up of chemicals when they are reprocessed- flatten them and put the lids back on to keep them flat.

The plastic bottles are taken to the sorting plant in Lossiemouth, where they are sorted and baled before going to SAICA NATUR in Kirkcaldy and then sold on to a reprocessor within Scotland.



BATHROOM CONTINUED

Textiles

Towels & Linen. All textiles can be recycled. If an item is not good enough to be given to charity shops or put in charity banks, they can still be put in your nearest textile bank. All textile banks at Moray Council recycling points are operated by A1 Textiles Ltd, Glasgow who grades all textiles and shoes. A lot of textiles go to Africa & India for re-use, or are either shredded to re-use the fibres in new textiles or used as rags for the cleaning and engineering sector. Don't forget – you can always reuse your old textile items as cleaning rags in your home or garage.

WEEE (Waste Electrical & Electronic Equipment)

Electric toothbrushes, shavers, and digital scales. All household electrical items that use electricity or have the capacity to do so, including battery powered items, are now covered by the WEEE Directive – the main aim of which is to ensure greater recycling of these items. All the items can be recycled at your nearest Recycling Centre. From here they are transferred to Viridor Electrical Recycling, Perth, where they are broken down and all recyclable components removed for recycling.

BEDROOM

Aerosols

Deodorants, body sprays, air fresheners. Once emptied, remove any plastic lids/caps etc and simply place in your purple bin or nearest can bank. All tins / cans in Moray are delivered to sorting plant in Lossiemouth where they are segregated into steel and aluminium, crushed and baled into cubes for transfer. The steel goes to Gray's Recycling and Williamsons in Moray for reprocessing and the aluminium goes to Novelis Aluminium Recycling in Alloa.

Media

All unwanted media (books, cd's, DVDs, vinyl records, and computer games etc) can be recycled in the Media banks at your nearest recycling centre. These are run by the British Heart Foundation, who sells on these items in their shops. You can also hand in these items to Waste Busters in Forres (www.moraywastebusters.org) or for re-sale, place your unwanted goods on the Freecycle network (www.freecycle.org/group/UK/Scotland/Moray), or put details on the notice boards in your local supermarket or shop so they can be re-used by someone else.

Textiles

Clothes, linen, curtains, and shoes. If an item is not good enough to be given to charity shops or put in charity banks, they can still be put in your nearest textile bank.



BEDROOM CONTINUED

Textiles Continued

All textile banks at Moray Council recycling points are operated by A1 Textiles Ltd, who grades all textiles and shoes before transferring them to Glasgow. A lot of textiles go to Africa & India for re-use, or are either shredded to re-use the fibres in new textiles or used as rags for the cleaning and engineering sector. Don't forget – you can always reuse your old textile items as cleaning rags in your home or garage. Please note – pillows and duvets cannot be recycled at this time due to the high levels of polyesters / plastics used to make them. However, they can be donated to many local charities, in particular The Salvation Army, New Street, Buckie or to Shelter (The National Campaign for Homeless People), 85 High Street, Elgin.

WEEE (Waste Electrical & Electronic Equipment)

Lamps, hair dryers, straighteners, shavers, chargers, TV's, clock radio's etc. All household electrical items that use electricity or have the capacity to do so, including battery powered items, are now covered by the WEEE Directive – the main aim of which is to ensure greater recycling of these items. All the items can be recycled at your nearest Recycling Centre. From here they are transferred to Viridor Electrical Recycling, Perth, where they are broken down and all recyclable components removed for recycling.

KITCHEN

Cardboard

Food packaging, cereal boxes, washing powder boxes, beverage cartons, milk & juice containers etc. These can go in your Blue bin or your nearest paper/card skip. The mixed paper and card collected in Moray is good quality with low contamination, it is transferred to SAICA NATUR, Kirkcaldy who send it to UPM Newsprint Mill in Wales for recycling, primarily into newsprint.

Glass

Jars and bottles. These can simply be rinsed out and put in your Orange Box or nearest glass bank. The mixed glass from Moray is delivered to MKD32 Ltd in Leith where it is crushed and stored before being shipped to make further glass products. Alternatively, why not rinse out any glass jars or bottles and re-use them for storage!

Food Waste

All types of food waste (except liquids) can now be placed in your brown garden waste.



KITCHEN CONTINUED

Food Waste Continued

The co-mingled food and garden waste collected from Moray households will be transported to [Keenan Recycling Ltd](https://www.keenanrecycling.co.uk/) in New Deer where it will be recycled into BSI accredited compost products using state of the art Vertical Composting Units (VCU). This is different from a traditional composting process. Higher temperatures are reached which allows materials such as cooked food, including bones, to be broken down resulting in a safe compost product. Over a third of the food we buy in Scotland is thrown directly into the bin, costing each household around £430 per year in food waste, and with children in the household, this figure can be even higher! Why not visit the Waste Aware Scotland website (www.wasteawarelovefood.org.uk) for details of their 'Love Food Hate Waste' campaign to see how much you could save and handy tips on reducing your food waste.

Plastic Bottles

Juice bottles, milk cartons, hand wash, washing up liquid, washing machine softener, kitchen cleaner, and bleach – all come in plastic bottles which can be recycled in your purple bin or at your nearest Recycling Centre. Please rinse out the bottles first - to avoid the build up of chemicals when they are reprocessed - flatten them and put the lids back on to keep them flat. The plastic bottles are taken to the sorting plant in Lossiemouth, where they are sorted and baled before going to SAICA NATUR in Kirkcaldy and then sold on to a reprocessor within Scotland.

Textiles

Tea towels and hand towels. If an item is not good enough to be given to charity shops or put in charity banks, they can still be put in your nearest textile bank. All textile banks at Moray Council recycling points are operated by A1 Ltd, who grades all textiles and shoes before transferring them to their plant in Glasgow. A lot of textiles go to Africa & India for re-use, or are either shredded to re-use the fibres in new textiles or used as rags for the cleaning and engineering sector. Don't forget – you can always reuse your old textile items as cleaning rags in your home or garage. Don't forget – you can always reuse your old textile items as cleaning rags in your home or garage.

Tins & Cans

Food and drinks cans, foil trays and clean aluminium foil, bottle tops and lids. All these items should be rinsed out and put in your purple bin, or nearest can bank. All tins / cans in Moray are delivered to sorting plant in Lossiemouth where they are segregated into steel and aluminium, crushed and baled into cubes for transfer. The steel goes to Gray's Recycling and Williamsons in Moray for reprocessing and the aluminium goes to Novelis Aluminium Recycling in Alloa.



KITCHEN CONTINUED

WEEE (Waste Electrical & Electronic Equipment)

Toaster, kettle, food processors, radios, dishwashers, and TV's. All household electrical items that use electricity or have the capacity to do so, including battery powered items, are now covered by the WEEE Directive – the main aim of which is to ensure greater recycling of these items. All the items can be recycled at your nearest Recycling Centre. From here they are transferred to Viridor Electrical Recycling, Perth, where they are broken down and all recyclable components removed for recycling.

White Goods

Cookers, fridges, freezers, washing machines, tumble driers, and microwaves. These items are all classed as essential goods and can all be uplifted free-of-charge by Moray Council. To arrange an uplift please contact the Waste Hotline on 01343 557045. Alternatively these items can be recycled at your nearest Recycling Centre. From here they are transferred to Viridor Electrical Recycling, Perth, where they are broken down and all recyclable components removed for recycling. If you are buying new electrical items, suppliers must either operate a take-back service of your old goods, or contribute towards the national scheme. Ask your supplier for details or click

(www.recyclenow.com/why_recycling_matters/electricals/retailer_takeback.html)

for more detail

LIVING ROOM

Batteries

All household batteries can now be recycled at your nearest Recycling Centre. Also, under the new EU Batteries Directive any retailer selling more than 32kg of batteries per year is duty bound to provide battery recycling facilities in their premises. This will include most local supermarkets and shops. The batteries are taken to a reprocessor, where they are broken down and the metals reused for more batteries.

Flowers & Plants

Place these items in your brown bin for kerbside collection or take to your nearest Recycling Centre. These can also be put into a compost bin or green cone to make compost for your garden, or potted plants. The co-mingled food and garden waste collected from Moray households will be transported to [Keenan Recycling Ltd](#) in New Deer where it will be recycled into BSI accredited compost products using state of the art Vertical Composting Units (VCU). This is different from a traditional composting process. Higher temperatures are reached which allows materials such as cooked food, including bones, to be broken down resulting in a safe compost product.



LIVING ROOM CONTINUED

Furniture

Unwanted items of furniture should ideally be kept out of landfill, by either donating to charity shops, Waste Busters in Forres (www.moraywastebusters.org), by posting on the Freecycle network (www.freecycle.org/group/UK/Scotland/Moray), or by advertising on notice boards in your local supermarket or shop. Any items unsuitable for reuse can be taken to your nearest Recycling Centre to be sent to landfill. It can also be donated to the Furniture Re-use network - www.frn.org.uk/

Light Bulbs

Traditional light bulbs *cannot* be recycled, and should be placed in with your household waste. Energy saving light bulbs and fluorescent strip lights can be recycled at your nearest Recycling Centre.

Media

All unwanted media (books, cd's, dvd's, vinyl records, computer games etc can be recycled in the Media banks at your nearest recycling centre. These are run by the British Heart Foundation, who sells on these items in their shops. You can also hand in these items to Waste Busters in Forres (www.moraywastebusters.org) or for re-sale, place your unwanted goods on the Freecycle network (www.freecycle.org/group/UK/Scotland/Moray), or put details on the notice boards in your local supermarket or shop so they can be re-used by someone else.

Paper/Cardboard

Newspapers & magazines, and tissue boxes. These can go in your Blue Bin or your nearest paper / card skip. The mixed paper and card collected in Moray is good quality with low contamination, it is transferred to SAICA NATUR, Kirkcaldy who send it to UPM Newsprint Mill in Wales for recycling, primarily into newsprint.

WEEE (Waste Electrical & Electronic Equipment)

TV's, videos, DVD players, sky boxes, pc's, laptops, lamps, chargers etc. All household electrical items that use electricity or have the capacity to do so, including battery powered items, are now covered by the WEEE Directive – the main aim of which is to ensure greater recycling of these items. All the items can be recycled at your nearest Recycling Centre. From here they are transferred to Viridor Electrical Recycling, Perth, where they are broken down and all recyclable components removed for recycling. If you are buying new electrical items, suppliers must either operate a take-back service of your old goods, or contribute towards the national scheme. Ask your supplier for details or click (www.recyclenow.com/why_recycling_matters/electricals/retailer_takeback.html) for more details. Alternatively, if your electrical items are still in working order, why not post them on the freecycle network (www.freecycle.org/group/UK/Scotland/Moray) or on the notice board of your local supermarket or shop, so they can be re-used by someone else.



GARDEN

Clean Soil / Earth

All clean earth or soil from domestic properties can be taken to your nearest Recycling Centre. From here it is transferred to Nether Dallachy to be used as daily cover for Moray Councils landfill site. Soil and earth should **NOT** be placed in your brown bin.

Flowers, bushes, and branches

Place these items in your brown bin for kerbside collection or take to your nearest Recycling Centre. These can also be put into a compost bin to make compost for your garden, or potted plants. The co-mingled food and garden waste collected from Moray households will be transported to [Keenan Recycling Ltd](#) in New Deer where it will be recycled into BSI accredited compost products using state of the art Vertical Composting Units (VCU). This is different from a traditional composting process. Higher temperatures are reached which allows materials such as cooked food, including bones, to be broken down resulting in a safe compost product.

Stones / Paving

These can be taken to your nearest Recycling Centre. From here they are transferred to Grays Recycling Services, Nether Dallachy, Spey Bay where they are crushed and used as aggregate / gravel in the construction industry.

Turf

Small amounts of turf can be taken to your nearest Recycling Centre. From here it is transferred to Nether Dallachy to be used as daily cover for Moray Councils landfill site. Turf should **NOT** be placed in your brown bin due to the soil content.

Wood

Fence posts, panels, and trellises. These can be taken to your nearest Recycling Centre and put into the clean wood skip. This is then transferred to TEAM (Wood Recycling Training Project), Chanonry, Elgin where it is broken down and sold on as reclaimed timber. You can also take items directly to TEAM for reclamation.

GARAGE/SHED

Batteries

Cordless tool batteries - all household batteries can now be recycled at your nearest Recycling Centre. Also, under the new EU Batteries Directive any retailer selling more than 32kg of batteries per year is duty bound to provide battery recycling facilities in their premises. This will include most local supermarkets and shops. The batteries are taken to a reprocessor, where they are broken down and the metals reused for more batteries.



GARAGE/SHED CONTINUED

Bikes

Unwanted bikes that are in good condition can be donated to Waste Busters in Forres (www.moraywastebusters.org), alternatively place your unwanted goods on the Freecycle network (www.freecycle.org/group/UK/Scotland/Moray), or put details on the notice boards in your local supermarket or shop so they can be re-used by someone else. Any bikes that are taken to the recycling centres are placed to one side and Outfit Moray come and collect them.

Gas Cylinders

Your local suppliers of bottled gas might take back empty cylinders otherwise J.G.Williamson Ltd, Scrap Metal Merchants, Moycroft, Elgin will accept them.

Oil Tanks

Moray Council cannot accept old oil tanks at this time. If buying a new / replacement tank ask your supplier whether they offer a take back scheme for disposing of your old tank.

Paints & Solvents

Containers of paint should NOT be placed in your wheelie bin. Subsequent handling of the waste can result in leakage of the contents over equipment and roads. If you have any surplus paints that you need to get rid of, you could contact a local community group to see if they could use it. Otherwise, all paints and solvents can be taken to your nearest Recycling Centre and placed in the skip for paints.

WEEE (Waste Electrical & Electronic Equipment)

Power tools, electric mowers & strimmers. All household electrical items that use electricity or have the capacity to do so, including battery powered items, are now covered by the WEEE Directive – the main aim of which is to ensure greater recycling of these items. All the items can be recycled at your nearest Recycling Centre. From here they are transferred to Viridor Electrical Recycling, Perth, where they are broken down and all recyclable components removed for recycling.

DIY

Asbestos

Roof sheets can be taken to Moycroft, Elgin. Please phone 01343 563382 prior to delivery to arrange a suitable time. Up to 12 sheets can be delivered at one time, double wrapped in packs of 3 or 4 sheets for ease of handling.



DIY CONTINUED

Bathroom Suites

If your bathroom suite is in good condition, why not place your unwanted goods on the Freecycle network (www.freecycle.org/group/UK/Scotland/Moray), or put details on the notice boards in your local supermarket or shop so they can be re-used by someone else. If they are unusable, they can be taken to your nearest recycling centre. If the goods are ceramic or porcelain, please remove all metal and wooden items, and place in the bay with stones and rubble, from where they are transferred to Grays Recycling Services, Nether Dallachy, Spey Bay where they are crushed and used as aggregate / gravel in the construction industry. If the suite is plastic it can be placed in the bulky items bay to be sent to landfill.

Glass Pyrex Dishes/ Windows

These cannot currently be recycled due the metallic content used in the original manufacturing process. They can be taken to your nearest Recycling Centre, where they can be disposed of in the household waste skip.

Kitchen Units

These can be taken to your nearest Recycling Centre and placed in the mixed wood skip. The contents of these skips are transferred to Grays Recycling Services, Nether Dallachy, where they are shredded to be made into chipboard and other wood products at various locations around the country.

Rubble & Brick

These can be taken to your nearest Recycling Centre. From here they are transferred to Grays Recycling Services, Nether Dallachy, Spey Bay where they are crushed and used as aggregate / gravel in the construction industry.

Skirting / Doors

These can be taken to your nearest Recycling Centre and put into the clean wood skip. This is then transferred to TEAM (Wood Recycling Training Project), Chanonry, Elgin where it is broken down and sold on as reclaimed timber. You can also take items directly to TEAM for reclamation.

Scrap Metal

radiators, copper piping, hand tools etc. All metal or mostly metal items can be taken to your nearest Recycling Centre, where they can be placed in the metal skip. From here they are transferred to either D&S Metals, Forres or to J.G.Williamson Ltd, Elgin where it is separated into ferrous or non-ferrous metals, before being transported to various re-processors to be recycled into more metal products.



OPTICIANS

Specsavers

10% (670 million) of the world's population are visually impaired because they do not have access to the glasses they need.

Specsavers <http://www.specsavers.co.uk/> runs a nationwide glasses recycling scheme in aid of Vision Aid Overseas, a charity dedicated to helping people in Third World countries by providing them with basic eye care. It was set up in 1985 and operates the largest specs recycling scheme in the UK, where glasses are collected, sorted, graded and packed prior to transportation overseas to help thousands of patients every year. The charity also sends teams of volunteer optometrists and dispensing opticians abroad to screen patients. For more information visit www.vao.org.uk

All glasses are potentially useful so, if you have any lying around gathering dust, why not put them to good use? Drop off your unwanted specs at:

Specsavers
96-98 High Street
Elgin
Morayshire
IV30 1BJ

tel: 01343 552204

OTHER OPTICIANS TAKING PART IN THE SCHEME ARE:

Duncan & Todd Opticians

138 – 140 High Street
Elgin
IV30 1BW

tel: 01343 549522

Boots Opticians

169 High Street
Elgin
IV30 1DW

tel: 01343 541832

M J Housden Optician

1 St Leonards Road
Forres
IV36 1DN

tel: 01309 673801