



The Waste Disposal Dictionary From A to Z

 **SMALL** 
ACTIONS  **FOR**
 **BIG** 
RES  **ULTS**

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The Waste Dictionary is a practical manual that citizens can consult for the correct disposal of all their waste. It contains a list of materials, in alphabetical order, and related information to start recycling and recovering as much material as possible.

It is dedicated to domestic users.

Non-domestic users must comply with current regulations for the proper disposal of special waste.







It is valid throughout the territory managed by Alia Servizi Ambientali S.p.A. However, waste collection systems vary by municipality, district, or area.
























To find out:


























- the waste collection system active in the area
- the addresses and operating hours of the Eco-centres
- the Eco-stops and Eco-vans, in municipalities where the service is active


















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Collection type (symbols)	Disposal method (symbols)
Organic waste★ 	Eco-centre 
Paper and Cardboard★ 	Specialized companies 
Glass/Bottles, jars, vials, and glass containers★• 	Specific container (used clothes, medicines, cooking oil, batteries, and toners) 
Packaging and containers in plastic, various metals, Tetra Pak, and polystyrene★ 	Bulky waste collection <i>The home collection service can only be enabled if the material is disposed of together with other bulky items ---></i> 
Non-sortable waste 	Authorized dealers 
★ These types of waste can also be disposed of at the Eco-centres	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Glass is collected separately. Where such collection is not enabled, this waste can be disposed of together with plastic packaging, metals, tetrapak, and polystyrene. <p>To find out the collection system enabled in your municipality, visit www.aliaserviziambientali.it</p>	

















TYPE OF WASTE	TYPE OF COLLECTION	DISPOSAL METHOD	MORE INFORMATION
Acetone			Eco-van
Acids			Eco-van
Activated carbon			
Adhesive or packing tape			
Adhesives			
Air conditioner		  	
Aluminium foil for food			
Aluminium or iron rod		 	
Aluminium, polystyrene, and plastic food trays and containers			
Aluminium rail for curtains		  	
Aluminum or plastic coffee capsules			If emptied, this waste can be disposed of in packaging and containers
Animal cage		 	
Animal excrement			
Animal fur			
Aquarium filter			
Aquariums		 	

















TYPE OF WASTE	TYPE OF COLLECTION	DISPOSAL METHOD	MORE INFORMATION
Armchair		 	
Armoured glass		 	
Artificial flowers			
Asbestos (asbestos cement products)			Contact the manager for information and a self-removal kit
Ashtray			
Audio and video cassette and related case			
Baby walker		 	
Baking paper			
Ball			
Band-Aids			
Battery charger (phone, PC, etc.)		 	Eco-van Eco-stop
Bed net		 	
Bicycle rims			
Bicycle tire			
Bicycle		 	
Bike and motorcycle helmet		 	Eco-van
Bituminous sheath			Not urban waste


















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Blanket			In some areas, home collection is available
Blender			Eco-van
Boiler			
Book			
Box and large box in paper and cardboard			
Bricks and tiles			Waste subject to restrictions. Contact the waste collection company
Brochure			
Broken glass - large quantity			
Broken glass			
Broom handle			
Bubble wrap			
Buckets and other rigid plastic household items			
Button			
Calculator			Eco-van Eco-stop <i>Remove batteries</i>
Camping butane gas cylinder			
Can labelled with hazard symbols			Eco-van
Candle			



































TYPE OF WASTE	TYPE OF COLLECTION	DISPOSAL METHOD	MORE INFORMATION
Car air-freshener			
Car and motorcycle rims			Not urban waste
Car and motorcycle tire			
Car battery			Eco-van
Car mat		 	
Car oil filter			
Car sunshade			
Car windshield wiper			
Car/motorcycle components			Not urban waste
Carbon paper			
Cardboard packaging (e.g., salt, sugar, eggs, etc.)			
Carpet		 	
Cast iron grill plate			Eco-van
CD player		  	Eco-van Eco-stop
CDs and related case			
Cell phone battery		 	Eco-van Eco-stop
Cellophane			

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Ceramic bathtub		 	Waste subject to restrictions. Contact the waste collection company
Ceramic plates and cups (large quantities packed)		 	Waste subject to restrictions. Contact the waste collection company
Ceramic plates and cups (small quantities or broken pieces)			Waste subject to restrictions. Contact the waste collection company
Ceramic, porcelain, or terracotta jugs (small quantities or broken pieces)			Waste subject to restrictions. Contact the waste collection company
Ceramic, porcelain, or terracotta jugs (Large quantities packed)		 	Waste subject to restrictions. Contact the waste collection company
Ceramic tableware (large quantities packed)			Waste subject to restrictions. Contact the waste collection company
Ceramic tableware (small quantities or broken pieces)		 	Waste subject to restrictions. Contact the waste collection company
Cereals			
Chandelier		  	<i>Remove light bulbs</i>
Chemical glue			Eco-van
Chewing gum			
Child's high chair		 	
Cigarette and cigar butts			
Cigarette			
Clean bread paper			


















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Clothes dryer			
Clothespin			
Coffee machine with pods/ espresso			
Coffee or tea paper pod			
Comb and brush			
Computer keyboard			Eco-van
Computers			Eco-van Eco-stop <i>Remove batteries</i>
Condom			
Construction debris			Waste subject to restrictions. Contact the waste collection company
Contact lenses			
Container labelled with hazard symbols			Eco-van Eco-stop
Container of liquid cleaning products for home and personal hygiene			
Cooking oil			Eco-van Eco-stop
Cooled ashes			
Cork stopper			
Cork			




















TYPE OF WASTE	TYPE OF COLLECTION	DISPOSAL METHOD	MORE INFORMATION
Corrugated cardboard			
Cosmetic containers (empty)			
Costume jewellery			
Cotton balls			
Cotton disk or ball			
Cotton			
Crystal glass			
Crystal glass			
Crystal			
Cut and dried flowers			
Decoder		  	Eco-van Eco-stop
Deep fryer		  	Eco-van
Demijohn		 	Home collection only if covered
Dental floss			
Desktop printer		  	Eco-van Remove batteries
Diapers and adult diapers			Contact the waste collection company to verify active benefits
Digital thermometer			Eco-van Eco-stop Remove batteries































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Discharged batteries			Eco-van Eco-stop
Dishwasher			
Disposable cotton swab			
Doll with electronic components			Eco-van <i>Remove batteries</i>
Doll			
Doormat			
Drink and food carton (tetrapak)			
Drink can			
Dry leaves			
Dust			
DVD player			Eco-van
DVDs and related case			
Elastic band			
Electric boiler			
Electric Christmas decorations			Eco-van <i>Remove batteries</i>
Electric exercise bike			<i>Remove batteries</i>
Electric grater			Eco-van Eco-stop <i>Remove batteries</i>





















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Electric grill		  	Eco-van
Electric heaters		  	Eco-van
Electric mini oven		  	Eco-van
Electric Moka coffee maker		 	Eco-van Eco-stop <i>Remove batteries</i>
Electric oven		  	
Electric razor		 	Eco-van Eco-stop <i>Remove batteries</i>
Electric toothbrush		 	Eco-van Eco-stop <i>Remove batteries</i>
Electrical cable			
Electrical wire			
Electronic alarm clock		 	Eco-van Eco-stop <i>Remove batteries</i>
Electronic cigarette		 	Eco-van Eco-stop
Electronic scale		  	Eco-van <i>Remove batteries</i>
Electronic weighing scale		  	Eco-van <i>Remove batteries</i>
Electrostatic dust cloth			
Empty cosmetic packaging			
Empty cosmetic product sample			
Empty glass perfume container			























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Empty spray can			
Eternit asbestos			Contact the manager for information and a self-removal kit
Exercise bike		 	
Expired medicines		 	Eco-van Eco-stop <i>Cytostatic and cytotoxic drugs must be disposed of in a hospital</i>
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Eye-wear case			
Fabric - small scraps			
Fabric		 	In some areas, home collection is available
Felt pad			
Fence net in rolls		 	
Fibreglass bathtub		 	
Fishing line			
Fishing thread			
Flag without pole			
Foam rubber (large quantity)			
Foam rubber			




















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Food can (tuna, peeled tomatoes, etc.)			
Food leftovers			
Food scraps			
Food wrap and film			
Food-grade polystyrene			
Food-grade tube			
Freezer			
Fruit and vegetable plastic box			
Fruit and vegetables cardboard box			
Fruit and vegetables wooden box			
Game rackets			
Gas cylinder			Not urban waste
Gazebo			
Glass and rock wool			Not urban waste
Glass bottle			
Glass food jar			
Glass jug			


















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Glass sheet			
Glass vase			
Glass vial			
Glass-ceramic baking dish - Pyrex			
Glasses			
Glossy drawing paper			
Grass and clippings - large quantities			
Grass and clippings - small quantities			
Hairdryer			Eco-van Eco-stop
Hairpin			
Hair			
Hand blender			Eco-van Eco-stop
Hot water bottle			
Household use canister			
Hygienic bed pad			Contact the waste collection company to verify active benefits
Incandescent light bulb			
Inert waste			Waste subject to restrictions. Contact the waste collection company





















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Inner roll of paper towels			
Insecticide			Eco-van
Insulating polystyrene			Not urban waste
Iron - products		 	
Iron and/or wooden shelf		 	
Iron, wood, or plastic door		 	
Iron/plastic clothes hanger			
Ironing board		 	
Iron		  	Eco-van Eco-stop
Irrigation hose or pipe		 	
Kitchen aluminium foil			
Laminated card and ticket			
Laminated tablecloth			
Large appliances		  	
Large electrical and electronic equipment		  	Remove batteries
Large mirror		 	
Large outdoor plastic toys		 	
























TYPE OF WASTE	TYPE OF COLLECTION	DISPOSAL METHOD	MORE INFORMATION
Large plastic pot			
Large size fibreglass corrugated sheet		 	
Large size plastic corrugated sheet		 	
Large trunk/container		 	
Lighter			
Magazine - without plastic wrap			
Marbles			
Mastic			
Mattress		 	
Medicine blister packs			
Mercury thermometer			Eco-van
Metal or plastic bottle cap			
Metal or plastic grater			
Metal, plastic, or multilayer plumbing or construction pipes			Only in case of DIY interventions
Microwave tray (empty)			
Mobile phone cover			





















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Mobile phone		 	Eco-van Eco-stop <i>Remove batteries</i>
Modelling cardboard			
Moka coffee maker			Eco-van
Monitor		  	
Moped			Not urban waste
Mosquito net with frame		 	
Mosquito net without frame			
Mosquito net			
Motor oil			Eco-van
Mouse		 	Eco-van Eco-stop <i>Remove batteries</i>
Multiball (packaging plastic)			
Musical instruments		 	<i>Remove batteries</i>
Nail file			
Nail polish			
Napkin contaminated with detergents			
Natural and compostable pet litter			























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Natural Christmas tree			<i>Maximum length pieces 1 m.</i>
Natural feathers and quills			
Natural wood frame			
Needles (if from syringes, dispose with cap)			
Neon and energy-saving light bulb (intact)			Eco-van Eco-stop
Net for fruits and vegetables			
Newspaper			
Non-electric Christmas decorations			
Non-empty or hazard-labelled spray can			Eco-van Eco-stop
Non-mercury ecological thermometer			
Non-woven fabric			
Notebook			
Nursery plastic pot for flowers and plants			
Nylon and plastic packaging film			
Nylon bag			
Outdoor lamp post			<i>Remove light bulbs</i>
Packaging polystyrene - preforms and chips			


















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Paintbrush			
Painted wood (large sizes)			
Painted wood (small sizes)			
Painting			
Paints			Eco-van
Pallets			
Pallet			
Pan			
Paper and/or cardboard notebooks			
Paper bag			
Paper calendar			
Paper dirty with detergent products			
Paper envelope			
Paper for cold cuts and cheese			
Paper ice cream cup			
Paper or cardboard packaging			
Paper tableware			


















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Paper tray for sweets			
Parquet		 	
Pen and marker			
Pencil case			
Pesticide			Eco-van
Photographic film			
Photographic negative			
Photographs			
Pillow/cushion		 	
Plants			
Plasterboard			Not urban waste
Plastic bags			
Plastic bottle			
Plastic bottle			
Plastic bottle			
Plastic bucket		 	
Plastic cutlery			

























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Plastic cutting board			
Plastic glass			
Plastic ice cream cup			
Plastic or treated wood frame		 	
Plastic packaging (e.g., pasta bag, snack wrapper, etc.)			
Plastic pallet		 	
Plastic plates			
Plastic, polystyrene, metal packaging			
Plastic tableware - excluding cutlery			
Plastic tank (for household use)		 	
Plastic thread spool			
Plastic vial			
Plastic/metal food can			
Plastic/paper tape			
Plexiglass		 	
Polystyrene food tray			
Potting soil			For large quantities contact a specialized company

























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Pot		 	
Printer cartridge		 	Eco-van Eco-stop
Printer toner, etc.		 	Eco-van Eco-stop
Pruning branches - large quantities		 	
Pruning branches - small quantities			
Pruning wood (large quantities)		 	
Pruning wood (small quantities)			
Pure pack - packaging			
Radiator (DIY)		 	
Radiator		 	
Radio and transistor radio		  	Eco-van Eco-stop <i>Remove batteries</i>
Raffia			
Rag			
Razor blade			
Refrigerator		  	
Rodent poison			Eco-van
Roll-up blinds		 	


























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Roller blind		 	
Roller shutter		 	
Rubber flooring - linoleum			If containing asbestos, contact the waste collection company for information and a self-removal kit
Rubber gloves			
Rubber hose		 	
Rubber or fabric carpet (only if large size, >2sqm)		 	
Rubber or fabric carpet (small size, e.g., doormat)		 	
Rubble			Waste subject to restrictions. Contact the waste collection company
Rust inhibitor			Eco-van
Sandpaper			
Sanitary pads			
Sanitary ware (bidet, sink, shower tray, toilet)		 	
Sawdust contaminated with non-organic material			
Sawdust			
Scratch card			
Sewing thread			




























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Shade cloth			
Shaped plastic packaging for eggs, sweets, and toys			
Shells from nuts/eggs/shellfish			
Shoe insole			
Shoelaces			
Shower box (glass or plastic)			
Silicone cap			
Silicone			Eco-van
SIM or SD cards			
Ski and snowboard			
Ski boots			
Slightly dirty pizza box			Remove food residues
Small appliances (toaster, mini oven, razor, vacuum cleaner, etc.)			Eco-van Eco-stop Remove batteries
Small electrical and electronic equipment			Eco-van Eco-stop Remove batteries
Small mirror			
Small size fibreglass corrugated sheet			

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Small size plastic corrugated sheet			
Soap			
Sofa			
Soil			Not urban waste
Solar or photovoltaic panel			Contact the waste collection company if voltage exceeds 10 Kw
Solvent			Eco-van
Sorghum brooms			
Spoiled food			
Sponge			
Spotlight			Eco-van Eco-stop
Stain remover			Eco-van
Stainless steel cutlery			
Stamp pad			
Stationery (pencils, pens, rulers, correction fluid, etc.)			
Stereo			Eco-van Remove batteries
Sticky label			
Strapping bands			

TYPE OF WASTE	TYPE OF COLLECTION	DISPOSAL METHOD	MORE INFORMATION
Straw (material)			
Straw			
Stuffed toy			
Suitcase		 	
Sun umbrella		 	
Sunbed		 	
Synthetic broom/mop/brush (without handle)			
Synthetic Christmas tree		 	
Synthetic pet litter			
Syringe with cap			
Taps and faucets		 	
Tar paper			Not urban waste
Tea bag			
Tea, chamomile, herbal tea filter			
Telephone		 	Eco-van Eco-stop Remove batteries
Television		  	

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Terracotta pot and planter		 	Waste subject to restrictions. Contact the waste collection company
Tetrapak poly-laminated container (milk, fruit juices, wine, etc.)			
Thermal fax paper			
Thermal paper receipt and fax			
Thinner			Eco-van
Tiles		 	Waste subject to restrictions. Contact the waste collection company
Tissue dirty with organic material			
Toilet seat		 	
Toothbrush			
Toothpaste tube			
Toothpick			
Toys - with electrical and electronic components		 	Eco-van Eco-stop <i>Remove batteries</i>
Toys - without electrical and electronic components			
Traditional weighing scale		 	
Treadmill		  	<i>Remove batteries</i>
Tree trunk		 	Portions max length 1m and $\phi > 30$ cm

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Trichloroethylene			Eco-van
Tricycle		 	
TV or satellite antenna		  	
Twine			
Umbrella		 	Eco-van
Unusable backpack			
Unusable bag			
Unusable clothes and accessories (belts, hats, scarves, etc.)			
Unusable shoes and sandals			
Unused cosmetics			
Upholstery		 	
Used backpack		 	In some areas, home collection is available
Used bag		 	In some areas, home collection is available
Used clothes and accessories (belts, hats, scarves, etc.)		 	In some areas, home collection is available
Used shoes and sandals		 	In some areas, home collection is available
Used shotgun shell			

TYPE OF WASTE	TYPE OF COLLECTION	DISPOSAL METHOD	MORE INFORMATION
Vacuum cleaner bag			
Vacuum cleaner		  	Remove batteries
Very dirty pizza box			
Video recorder		  	Eco-van Eco-stop
Videocassette			
Vinyl record			
Wardrobe		 	
Washing machine		  	
Water jug filter			
Watercolours			
Wax			
Weed killer			Eco-van
Wet or greasy kitchen paper towels			
Wet or greasy napkin			
Wet wipe and cleaner			
Wicker basket		 	
Window (frame with glass) DIY		 	

TYPE OF WASTE	TYPE OF COLLECTION	DISPOSAL METHOD	MORE INFORMATION
Windshield wiper brush			
Windshields for bicycles and motorcycles		 	
Wooden and aluminium window/door frame		 	
Wooden chair and deckchair in wood/plastic/metal		 	
Wooden cutting board			Eco-van
Wooden ice cream stick			
Wooden match			
Wooden or plastic furniture		 	
Wooden pallet		 	
Wooden pencil			
Wooden, plastic, or glass shelf		 	
Wooden, plastic, or metal shed (dismantled)		 	
Wooden/metal/plastic table		 	
Wrapping paper			
X-ray film			
Yoghurt and dessert container			



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