

BEAT THE HEAT

Warm weather tips for your bins
and kitchen caddy

Fact Sheet #1

Like most things, a little bit of planning can help make life easier.

- If possible, store bins in a cool, shady, well-ventilated area to reduce odours.
- Ensure your compostable kitchen caddy liners are properly tied to contain food scraps.
- Clean and dry bins regularly.
- Line the bottom of your FOGO (green) bin with newspaper to prevent food or garden waste sticking.
- Place a layer of garden waste over food waste to reduce odours in your FOGO (green) bin.
- Keep bin lids closed to stop flies getting in.
- Do not overfill bins.
- Keep an eye out for organic pest and odour control products.



Other tips to manage waste in the kitchen

- Wrap food tightly in newspaper or compostable kitchen caddy liners before placing in your FOGO (green) bin.
- Clean your kitchen caddy regularly using hot soapy water. You can even pop it in the dishwasher.
- Change compostable liners every 2-3 days, or as necessary in hotter months.
- Rinse pet food tins, yoghurt tubs, polystyrene meat trays and other packaging that contains remnants of food waste before placing into the appropriate bins.
- Squash bottles and cans and flatten cardboard boxes to fit more in your recycling (yellow) bin.
- Avoid using large, bulky garbage bags as they take up lots of room by leaving empty pockets of air in your landfill (red) bin.
- Compress air out of the garbage bags and tie them tightly to fit more into your landfill (red) bin.

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