


2026

Waste Management


Collection Schedule

Don't miss waste collection,
set materials out by 7 a.m.




January


Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Thurs. Jan. 1 collected on Mon. Dec. 29, 2025				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

February


Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28

March


Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

April


Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Fri. Apr. 3 collected on Mon. Apr. 6			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

May


Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

June


Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				
Wed. Jul 1 collected on Mon. Jun 29						

July


Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Wed. Jul. 1 collected on Mon. June 29			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

August


Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

September


Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

October

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

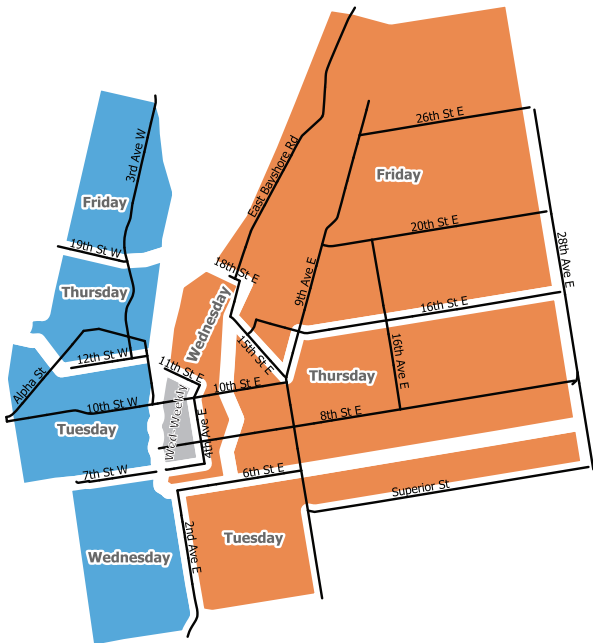
November

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

December

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

Fri. Dec. 25 collected on Mon. Dec. 28 and
Fri. Jan. 1, 2027 collected on Mon. Jan. 4, 2027



- Legend:
- West Side Collection
 - East Side Collection
 - Downtown Core - Weekly Garbage Collection
 - Household Hazardous Waste Days
 - Goods Exchange Days
 - Green Bin



SCAN ME

For an East side only (orange), West side only (blue) calendar, or to search what day your collection is based on your address, please scan the QR code or visit **OwenSound.ca/Waste**

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Green Bin

- **Green bin collection is for residential properties with six or fewer units (excluding the River District).**
- Greens bins are for appropriate kitchen waste only (not leaf and yard waste).
- Green bins are collected weekly on your usual garbage day (e.g., if garbage day is Wednesday, green bin pickup is also Wednesday).
- Garbage collection will continue on a bi-weekly basis.
- **Questions about what goes in your green bins, visit our website OwenSound.ca/GreenBins to use the What Goes Where tool.**



What Goes Where!

- Give Recycle Coach app a try!
- Type the name of ANY material, get a list of possible matches and how to properly dispose of each item.
- Take a photo of an item using the app's image recognition tool; perfect for things you're not sure how to describe!
- Use directly from the City of Owen Sound website or download the app from the Apple Store or Google Play, look for the symbol  Recycle Coach.



Recycling

- Owen Sound's residential recycling is now managed by Circular Materials, a not-for-profit entity focused on efficient recycling in Ontario.
- **Recyclables must be placed in a blue box and sorted according to the Recycling Guide at: CircularMaterials.ca/OwenSound**
- Only clean, empty recyclable containers will be accepted.
- Corrugated cardboard must be broken down to a size no larger than 24"x18"x6" (roughly the size of a standard carry-on suitcase) and must be bundled or placed in a container.



Leaf & Yard Waste Site

- Open daily, Spring until second Monday in January.
- **Must drop yard waste off at the Leaf & Yard Waste site at 2450 28th Avenue East (there is no curbside pickup).**
- Accepted items include leaves, grass clippings, plants, branches, and shrubs up to 15 cm in diameter.
- Mulch and screened compost available for pick up while quantities last.
- For more information, including Backyard Composting tips, visit OwenSound.ca/Compost



Garbage



- NEW Bag Tags will be in circulation. Old tags can still be used.
- All garbage must have a visible City of Owen Sound bag tag.
- Each bag or container must be under 18 kg (40 lbs), including the container.
- A maximum of four (4) bags or containers per household is allowed, each with a bag tag.
- For garbage containers, place the bag tag on the top bag inside (not on the container) so it's visible when opened. One tag is sufficient if the total weight is under 18 kg (40 lbs).
- Extra waste can be taken to Miller Waste Transfer Station (fees apply). More info, and where to buy bag tags, at OwenSound.ca/Waste



Hazardous Waste

- Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) collection is held at **Owen Sound's Public Works building (1900 20th Street East)** from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on these Saturdays: **April 25, May 23, June 13, July 11, August 15, September 12, October 3 & 24.**
- Items such as aerosol cans, batteries, fertilizers, paint, oil filters, and propane tanks are accepted only at HHW events.
- Waste in damaged containers, missing lids, or leaking containers will not be accepted. Safely transfer items to clean, labeled containers before transport.
- For details, accepted materials, and a required drop-off form, visit OwenSound.ca/Waste



Goods Exchange Days

- Provides an opportunity for residents to leave items that are no longer useful to them but may still be useful to others.
- Place items at the end of your driveway or edge of your lawn on the appropriate dates listed below to indicate these are Goods Exchange Day items.
- Goods Exchange Days in 2026 are on these Saturdays:
 - **May 16, July 18, September 19.**



Scan this QR code with a smartphone for quick access to Owen Sound's waste webpage