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How to Sort and Dispose of Recyclables and Garbage

・Sort your recyclables and place them in transparent or semi-transparent (see-through) bags of 45L or less at the designated collection area by 8:30AM on collection day. (Cardboard boxes, fertilizer bags, bags designated by other municipalities, rice bags, colored bags, etc., are prohibited.)
・If the rules are not followed, your recyclables/garbage will not be collected. A violation sticker (yellow) will be affixed to the bag, and the items will be left behind. It is **your responsibility** to take it back home, sort it correctly, and put it out again.
・In districts where a collection day falls on a national holiday (excluding the year-end and New Year's holidays), recyclable materials and non-recyclable burnable waste will be collected.

With the free waste sorting app "threeR," you can check how to sort your trash, how to put it out, and collection dates!

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There will be no collection of non-recyclable waste that is destined for landfills.

Recyclable Materials (Abbreviation: Recyclables)

Plastic Containers and Packaging ① Every 1st and 4th ● 4 times a month
Recyclables ②～⑩ Every ● and ●● 2 times a month

Place items by type in transparent or semi-transparent bags (up to 45L) and put them out for collection

① Plastic Containers and Packaging



←Items with the plastic mark

○ Rinse off or wipe away any dirt with water
＊Cutting open plastic bags is OK
○ Items with stubborn stains should be disposed of as burnable garbage
○ Remove or cut off labels
Labels that have been removed or cut off should be disposed of as burnable garbage

② Cans



Aluminum and steel cans for food and beverages, etc.

○ Empty the container and rinse it out
○ No need to separate aluminum and steel
○ Aerosol cans, etc. that cannot be cleaned can be taken out as garbage to be buried

③ Glass



Glass bottles for food and beverages (including medications), etc.

○ Empty the bottle, remove the cap and label, and rinse the inside
○ Place broken bottles in the garbage to be buried bin

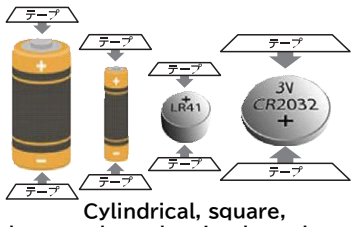
④ PET Bottles



←Items with the PET mark

○ Empty the container, remove the cap and label, and rinse the inside
○ Place the removed cap and label in ① Plastic Containers and Packaging

⑤ Batteries



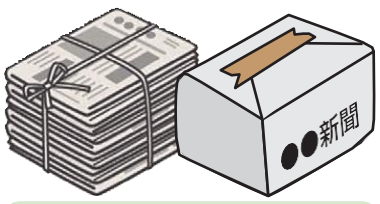
Cylindrical, square, button-shaped, coin-shaped, etc.

○ Excludes rechargeable batteries (Please place those in the small appliance recycling bin)
＊Please insulate batteries with tape or similar material

Tie each type of item in a cross pattern with string before putting out for collection (cardboard, fertilizer bags, bags designated by other municipalities, rice bags, and colored bags are not accepted)

⑥ Newspaper・Flyers

Newspaper and Flyers



○ When placing items in a newspaper storage bag:
Close the opening with string or tape
○ Height must not exceed 40 cm

⑦ Magazines・Books

Booklets bound in the shape of a book, notebooks, catalogs, etc.

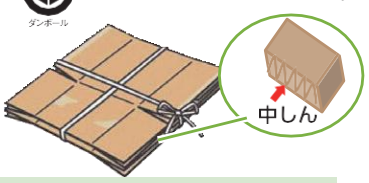


○ Remove any plastic wrapping or included items
○ Height must not exceed 40cm

⑧ Cardboard

Items with a corrugated core

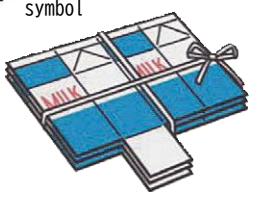
←Items with the cardboard symbol



○ Wax-coated cardboard is burnable garbage
○ Up to 50 cm on each side and 20 cm in height

⑨ Cartons

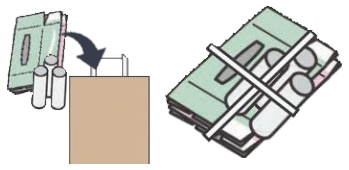
←Items with the paper carton symbol



○ Empty it and rinse the inside
○ Cut it open and let it dry
○ Height must not exceed 40cm
○ If the inside is silver, it's burnable trash (aluminum coating)

⑩ Misc. Paper Items

Calendars, paper boxes, wrapping paper,
envelopes, toilet paper tubes, etc.



○ If placing items in a paper bag, close the opening with string or tape
○ Remove any handles that are not made of paper
○ Height must not exceed 40cm

Place in the small appliance recycling bin

⑪ Small Household Appliances

- Smartphones and cell phones
- Telephones and fax machines
- Radios and boomboxes
- Digital audio players
- CD/MD players
- Hard drive
- Remote control
- AC adapter
- Car navigation system
- Cables and chargers

etc.

- IC recorders
- Game consoles
- Laptops and tablets
- Cameras and digital camcorders

*Excluding disposable cameras and Polaroid cameras

- USB flash drives and SD cards



＊Please do not dispose of appliances covered by the Home Appliance Recycling Law, such as TVs, refrigerators, washing machines, and air conditioners
Small appliances that do not fit in the collection box should be placed in the garbage to be buried bin (excluding computers)

⑫ Rechargeable Batteries

- Electric razor
- Compact fan
- Portable charger
- E-cigarette
- Rechargeable game consoles
- Rechargeable drills
- Cordless vacuum cleaners etc.

Look for this symbol!

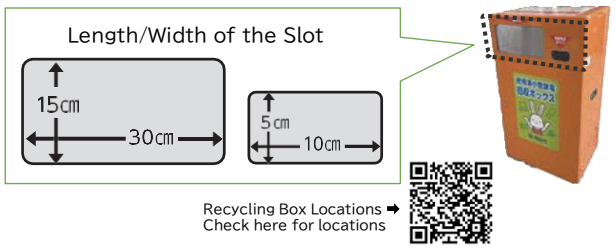
Li-ion　Ni-MH　Ni-Cd



＊Rechargeable batteries that do not fit in the box, or those that are misshapen or swollen,
should be taken to: ① the Waste Policy Division at City Hall, or ② the Clean Center.

Precautions before depositing items in the Recycling Box

○ Please delete any personal information
○ Once items are placed in the collection box, they cannot be retrieved
○ Portable power sources, car batteries, and similar items cannot be



Recycling Box Locations ➡
Check here for locations

Non-recyclable burnable garbage

Twice a week

(Abbreviation: Burnable garbage)
Less than 60 cm and less than 10 kg

Every ● ・ ●

・Recyclables, used small appliances/rechargeable batteries, combustible items that do not qualify as large garbage
・Place them in transparent or semi-transparent (see-through) bags with a capacity of 45 L or less
(Cardboard, fertilizer bags, bags designated by other municipalities, rice bags, colored bags, etc., are not accepted)



Food Waste	Pruned Branches	No more than 60cm in length, with each branch no more than about 10cm in diameter, and a total diameter of no more than 30cm when bundled. Up to 3 bundles	
Paper Diapers	Cassette Tapes	Rubber and Leather	Clothing, fabric, etc.

Non-recyclable garbage to be buried

Twice a month

(Abbreviation: Buried garbage)
Less than 60 cm and less than 10 kg

Every ● & ● & ●

・Recyclables, used small appliances and rechargeable batteries, and non-combustible items that do not qualify as bulky waste
・Place items in transparent or semi-transparent (see-through) bags with a capacity of 45 L or less (cardboard, fertilizer bags, bags designated by other municipalities, rice bags, colored bags, etc., are not permitted)
・Punch at least two holes in aerosol cans.



Glass	Household appliances (excluding items subject to the Home Appliance Recycling Act)	Metals
Hard plastic products	Ceramics	Aerosol cans, etc.

Wrap knives, breakable items, and sharp objects in paper and write "DANGER" on them.

Disposal of Large Items

60 cm or more but less than 200 cm, and 10 kg or more but less than 100 kg

① Door-to-door collection (up to 5 items per collection)

Application・Contact　Large Item Disposal Hotline Tel. 024-539-9653

【Reception Hours】Weekdays 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (excluding year-end and New Year holidays and national holidays)
【Collection Hours】Weekdays only (Monday through Friday)
(excluding year-end and New Year holidays and national holidays)
Please place your items out by 8:30 a.m. on collection day.







② Drop off at the Recycling Center

【Reception Hours】Weekdays 8:45 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. / 1:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
(excluding the year-end and New Year holidays and national holidays)

＊The recycling center you can use varies depending on your neighborhood.

See here for more details ➡

Items Not Collected by the City

Hazardous and non-recyclable items, four types of household appliances, computers, commercial waste, large-volume temporary waste, etc.

■ Automotive and motorcycle parts, safes, farm equipment, pesticides, waste agricultural plastic, used oil collection containers, construction debris, scrap metal, medical waste, etc.
■ Household appliances subject to the Home Appliance Recycling Law
■ Commercial waste
■ One-time bulk waste (large amounts of waste generated by moving or weeding, etc.), etc.



Contact　Fukushima City Waste Management Policy Division
TEL.024-525-3744
For more details, please visit the city's official website ➡

5 Rules to Follow

Point! 01

On collection day Put out your garbage by 8:30AM

Please do not put your garbage out the day before.
Collection days for garbage and recyclables are determined by your neighbourhood.

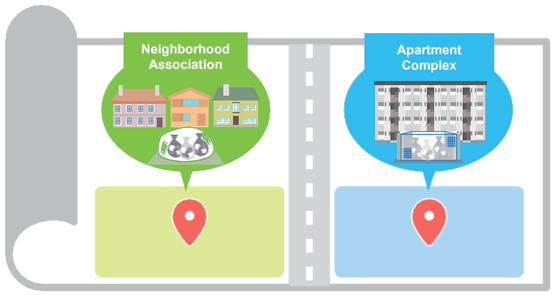
Garbage placed out after 8:30AM may not be collected.



Point! 02

Take it to the designated collection area in your neighborhood

Please tie the top of your garbage bags securely and place them under the net to prevent waste from scattering.
Residents work together to keep the collection area clean.



Point! 03

Place items in transparent or semi-transparent bags (make sure contents are visible) with a capacity of 45L or less

Please do not put garbage in garbage bags with the names of other municipalities, coloured bags (such as black or white), or in recyclable items such as cardboard, rice bags, or fertilizer bags. Please **do not** put garbage in these items and place them out for collection.

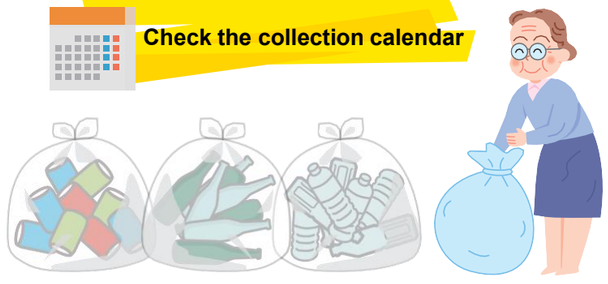
Putting garbage in these is PROHIBITED!!!



Point! 04

Be sure to sort your garbage and follow the designated collection days and methods when putting it out

Please help ensure that resources are recycled properly, so collection operations can be carried out safely and smoothly.



Point! 05

Garbage generated by businesses cannot be placed at collection areas

Business waste must be either taken to a Garbage Disposal Facility by the business itself * or entrusted to a licensed contractor for proper disposal.



*The only type of commercial waste that can be brought to Garbage Disposal Facilities is burnable waste.

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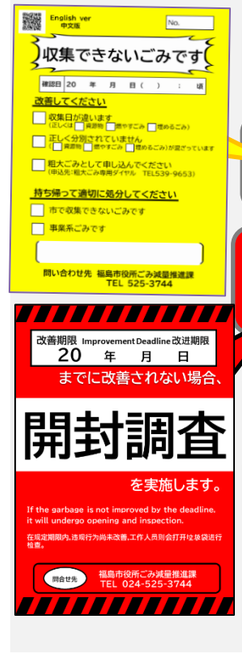
The Fukushima City Ordinance on Waste Disposal and Sanitation has been amended.

Regulation Amendments

・Reducing waste and disposing of it properly has become the **responsibility of citizens**
・To identify and provide guidance to businesses and citizens who violate waste disposal rules and whose violations are particularly egregious, provisions have been added that **allow for the inspection of waste containers, the issuance of improvement recommendations, and the public disclosure of such violations.**

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- **Garbage Collection Reminders** … An alarm feature notifies you of collection days to help avoid forgetting to put out garbage!
- **Garbage Sorting Search** … If you're unsure how to sort a particular item, a quick search will solve the problem!
- **Garbage Collection Calendar** … Check garbage collection dates in calendar format.
- **Information** … View announcements from Fukushima City.
- **Multilingual Display** … You can set the language to English, Chinese, or Korean.
- **Chatbot Feature**… Use the chatbot to easily look up sorting rules.
- **Image-Based Garbage Sorting Search Feature**… Simply send a photo of the item you want to dispose of via chat, and the chatbot will tell you how to sort it.