Kikuchi City - Rules for Sorting and Taking Out Garbage 【English version】

Rules for Taking Out Garbage

Observe the following rules while sorting your garbage by type and taking it out.
⚠ Garbage not placed in the proper type of bag will not be collected.
Garbage is collected from designated collection areas.
⚠ Discarding garbage in areas other than designated collection areas is a crime.
Garbage from restaurants and other shops cannot be discarded in general collection areas.
Take out garbage on the designated day and by the designated time.
⚠ Do not take it out on the day before or after collection is complete.
The designated collection area is shared with other members of your community. Please keep the area clean.

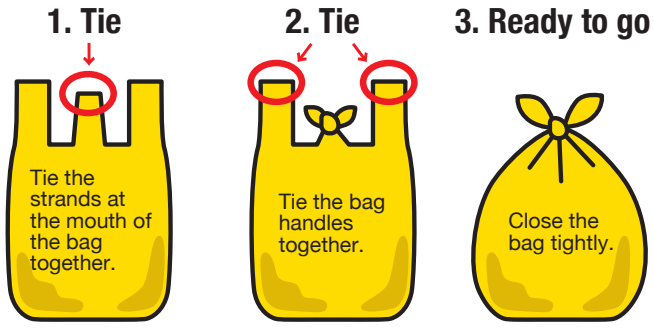
Place burnable garbage, recyclables, and non-burnable garbage in their respective designated bags.

Place burnable garbage in the designated red bag.

Place non-burnable garbage in the designated yellow bag.

Place recyclables in the designated green bag, divided by type.
*Each green bag should contain only one type of recyclables.

If an item is too big to fit in a bag, it must be disposed of as oversized garbage.



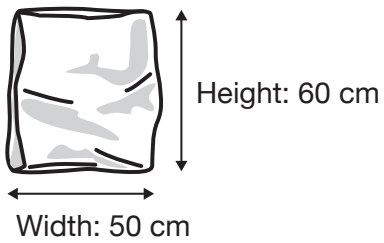
Taking out bags closed in the following ways is a violation of the rules. Such bags will not be collected.

*One bag can hold about 10 kg of garbage. Please divide your garbage so that each bag is under 10 kg, or take heavy garbage bags directly to a garbage collection facility.

Specially designated items may be placed and taken out in clear bags up to 20 liters in volume, with one type of item placed in each bag.

… Separate the specially designated items by type, and place each type into a 20 liter or smaller bag.

The approximate size of a 20 liter bag is as follows.



Designated Garbage Bags

Burnable garbage, recyclables, and non-burnable garbage must be placed in their respective designated type of garbage bag. These bags are sold at supermarkets, convenience stores, drug stores, etc., within Kikuchi City.

For Large Quantities of Garbage Due to Moving, etc.

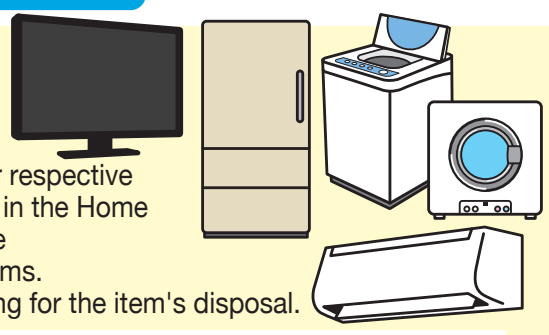
If you need to request a special garbage pickup:
- Call the appropriate phone number in the table on the right.
- Tell the staff the day and location of the pickup. On the day of the pickup, have cash on hand to pay the service charge.

If you will bring in the garbage yourself:
- The location to bring garbage to varies depending on your area of residence and the type of garbage to be brought in.
For details, call the Environment Section Home Garbage Information Line (☎0968-25-1116, assistance available only in Japanese)

Area of Residence	Special Home Garbage Disposal Unit	Phone Number
Kikuchi, Shichijo, and Kyokushi Areas	Safety, Ltd.	☎0968-25-0285
	Kikuchi Kankyo Bika Center, Ltd.	☎0968-24-5677
Shisui Area	Save Clean Co., Ltd.	☎096-242-0059

Items That Cannot Be Collected by the City

TVs, refrigerators and freezers, air conditioners, washing and drying machines



These items are collected and recycled by their respective manufacturers. Rules for collection are defined in the Home Appliance Recycling Act. There will be a charge for requesting pickup and recycling of these items.
Please check the charge amount when arranging for the item's disposal.

Contact the following parties regarding disposal (Assistance available in Japanese only)
- Where you bought the item or the shop where you are buying its replacement.
- If you do not know where the item was bought, contact a licensed disposal company for Kikuchi.

For details, contact the Association for Electric Home Appliances (Home Appliance Recycling Ticket Center) ☎0120-319-640

Computers

Computers are collected and recycled by their manufacturers. There will be a charge for requesting pickup and recycling of a PC.
Please check the charge amount when arranging for the item's disposal.

Contact the following parties regarding disposal (Assistance available in Japanese only)
- The support phone line of the manufacturer
- If you do not know the manufacturer, contact the PC 3R Promotion Association

For details, contact the PC 3R Promotion Association ☎03-5282-7685

Items That Cannot Be Processed as Garbage by the City

Discarded tires, fire extinguishers, propane gas tanks, batteries, gasoline, waste oil, poisons, agricultural chemicals, pianos, large safes, motorcycles, etc. Contact the manufacturer, the store at which you bought the item, or a store which sells similar items.

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Examples and Notes Regarding Each Type of Garbage

Burnable Garbage

(Twice a Week)
Kitchen waste, paper diapers, wood waste, soiled paper waste, leather and rubber items, plastic items (without a recyclable symbol)

Kitchen waste
Drain thoroughly before placing in the designated bag.

Oil used in cooking
Soak into a rag or paper towel before discarding or use an oil solidifier.

Paper diapers
Flush human waste down the toilet and wrap the soiled parts in the center to reduce the size of the diaper.

Tree branches
Pieces of wood, bamboo
Diameter: 10 cm or less
Length: 50 cm or less

Leather and rubber items
Remove metal parts wherever possible.

Plastic items
(プラ without a recyclable symbol)
Toys, CDs, washbasins, videotapes, plastic containers, etc.

Designated Red Garbage Bags

Recyclables (Once per Month)

Recyclables (A)
Empty cans, empty bottles

Aluminum cans (アルミ) — Steel cans (スチール) — Glass bottles
Not necessary to remove labels

- Remove caps and lightly rinse out the insides before placing in the designated bag.
- Metal caps should be sorted as non-burnable garbage. Plastic caps should be sorted as recyclables (J).
- Items that have been used at restaurants cannot be thrown out in this way.

Designated Green Garbage Bags

Recyclables (C)
Newspapers Flyers and pamphlets

Newspapers — Flyers and pamphlets

- On rainy days, double wrap, etc., to prevent from getting wet before placing in the designated bag.

Designated Green Garbage Bags

Recyclables (D)
Magazines, books, other paper

Magazines, catalogues, cartons, envelopes, etc.

- On rainy days, double wrap, etc., to prevent from getting wet before placing in the designated bag.
- Remove plastic parts before sorting.

These items are not recyclables (D) and should be sorted as burnable garbage
Waterproofed paper items (paper cups, etc.)
Paper that has come into contact with soap or other strong-smelling materials
Photographs
Plastic-coated paper, thermal paper, carbon paper, gilt paper,aluminum foil, soiled paper, etc.

Designated Green Garbage Bags

Recyclables (E)
Fabrics

Towels — Old clothes — Blankets

- On rainy days, double wrap, etc., to prevent from getting wet before placing in the designated bag.
- Not necessary to remove buttons or fasteners

* Items with padding (jackets, etc.), hats, and leather items (belts, bags, etc.) should be sorted as burnable garbage.

Designated Green Garbage Bags

Recyclables (F)
Cardboard

Cardboard

- On rainy days, double wrap, etc., to prevent from getting wet before placing in the designated bag.

Designated Green Garbage Bags

Recyclables (G)
Milk cartons, paper bags

1. Wash
2. Open
3. Dry

Sort caps as recyclables (J)
Sort spouts as burnable garbage

- Wash, open, and dry before sorting.

* Items with aluminum (foil) interiors should be sorted as burnable garbage

Designated Green Garbage Bags

Recyclables (H)
Plastic bottles

Look for this mark on the item (1 PET)

Soft drinks, etc. — Seasonings such as mirin, soy sauce, etc.

Not necessary to remove this ring.
Remove caps and labels and sort them as recyclables (J).
Rinse out before sorting.

- Remove cap and lightly rinse out insides before sorting.

* Plastic caps and labels should be sorted as recyclables (J).

- Items that have been used at restaurants cannot be thrown out in this way.

Designated Green Garbage Bags

Recyclables (Once per Week)

Recyclables (J)
Plastic wrappings and containers, (white and colored) trays, styrofoam
Look for this mark on the item

Look for this mark on the item (プラ)

Bottles — Egg packs — Bread and snack bags — White and colored trays — Caps and labels of plastic bottles — Styrofoam
Break large pieces of styrofoam down to fit inside the bag.

If you cannot determine an item's type, check the following:

- Q.Is it made of plastic? — Yes → Plastic wrappings and containers; No → Sort by material and shape
- Q. (プラ) Does it have this symbol? — Yes → Plastic wrappings and containers; No → Burnable garbage
- Q.Can it be cleaned using only water? — Yes → Plastic wrappings and containers; No → Burnable garbage

- Empty out the insides, rinse with water, and remove metal parts before sorting.
- Items that have been used at restaurants cannot be thrown out in this way.

Designated Green Garbage Bags

Non-Burnable Garbage (Once per Month)

Metal items, pottery,glass, small appliances

Metal items
Pots, pans, teapots, umbrellas, etc.

Pottery and glass
Plates, teacups, bowls, glass cups, mirrors, heat-resistant glass, etc.

Small appliances
Phones, hairdryers, irons, toasters, electric carpets and blankets, etc.

Knives must be wrapped in thick paper, etc., and the designated bag they are placed in must be marked "キケン" (kiken, dangerous).

Batteries (both dry and micro cell) must be removed and sorted as specially designated items.
*Rechargeable batteries should be turned in at a facility capable of processing them (a home appliance retailer, etc.)

Designated Yellow Garbage Bags

Specially Designated Items (Once per Month)

Dry and micro cell batteries
Spray cans
Lighters (cigarette and stove)
Mercury thermometers and blood pressure meters Solid red ink

1. Dry and micro cell batteries
Insulate
Both diodes of batteries must be covered using cellophane tape, etc.

2. Spray cans
(Excluding spray paint)
Do not need to be punctured
Ensure that the contents are depleted before sorting. If there may be something in the can, fully deplete the can in a well-ventilated area far from any potential source of fire.

3. Cigarette and stove lighters
Handle in the same way as spray cans.

4. Mercury thermometers, blood pressure meters, solid red ink
Place in original packaging to prevent breakage then wrap in thick paper, etc., and place in a thick plastic bag before sorting.
*These items may be taken to collection sites.

Sort specially designated items by type and place in separate 20 liter or smaller clear plastic bags.

Site Collection (Items That Must Be Taken to City Offices)

Fluorescent bulbs,Used cooking oil
Mercury thermometers and blood pressure meters
Solid red ink

Place in collection boxes at Kikuchi City Hall or municipal branch offices.

1. Fluorescent bulbs
*Commercial-use models prohibited
Discarded circular or tubular fluorescent bulbs only.
*Incandescent bulbs, glow switch starters, and LED bulbs should be sorted as non-burnable garbage

2. Used cooking oil
Oil used for home cooking. Place in a plastic bottle (not a glass one) and bring to the collection site.
Accepted oils: vegetable oil, rapeseed oil, corn oil, etc.

3. Mercury thermometers, blood pressure meters, solidified red ink
Place in original packaging to prevent breakage, then wrap in thick paper, etc., and place in a thick plastic bag before sorting.

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