

# Your new waste solution – an overview

This is the starter pack we are giving you to help you off to a good start with the new waste solution that launches on 1 November 2025.

## What's in the starter pack?

- This letter “Your new waste solution – an overview”. This letter supplements the “Your new waste bins are on the way” newsletter you received in your digital postbox in August.
- A sorting booklet and self-adhesive pictogram labels for your indoor sorting.
- “The little helper” with photographs of the various types of waste.
- Red bags for textile waste
- We have not included rolls of green food waste bags in the starter pack, as these were distributed earlier in the year.



*N.B. Companies and businesses will not receive red textile waste bags or green food waste bags.*

## Thank you for your support

We have more than 60,000 new bins to deliver, so we hope you will be patient with us as we implement this new waste solution.

We look forward to reducing the volume of CO<sub>2</sub> with your help. From November you will already experience that your everyday waste sorting has become simpler.

This letter contains general information about what the new waste sorting system means to your household once you start sorting cardboard and paper, glass and metal, plastic and food/drink cartons, hazardous waste and textile waste into their own bins, just as you have already been doing with your food and residual waste.

## What's going to happen? And when?

- The new scheme applies to you and other houses of all types from November 2025.
  - Delivery of the new bins: **August-October 2025**
  - Collections begin **starting from 3 November**.Find your waste collection day at [kolding.dk/mitaffald](https://kolding.dk/mitaffald)
- We will be rolling the scheme out for tower blocks/ apartments, allotments, summer houses and properties where bins are emptied with crane trucks, starting in March-April 2026.
- Waste sorting at your home address will apply to the entirety of Kolding Municipality from mid-April 2026.

## The new waste scheme – background

Starting on November 1, 2025, Kolding Municipality is implementing a new waste collection scheme that will have greater uniformity than our current scheme. This means that from now on, you will have to sort 10 types of waste, which will be collected directly from your home.

The new scheme is part of the national climate plan for a green waste sector from 2020 and applies throughout Denmark.

It aims to increase recycling and reduce incineration. When you sort your waste correctly, your empty plastic tubs and worn-out jerseys can be transformed into new resources.

**There is no opt out for the new bins, as waste collection is part of national legislation. You are duty-bound to use the schemes described in Kolding Municipality's *Regulations for household waste*.**

## This is what your waste solution will look like from November 2025:



Figure 1: This diagram presents the standard solution we will provide to homeowners with a garden. Households that share waste bins with others will typically be provided with more, bigger bins; but the sorting system will be the same.

## The waste solution involves the use of waste bins and bags

### The green bin is for food and residual waste (normally emptied every fortnight).

- Food waste is sorted in the green bags we provided earlier this year. Tie a knot in the bag to close it.
- If you already have a two-compartment bin for food and residual waste, you will keep the same bin you have now. We will be changing the bin lids to side-mounted lids before the new waste collections start in November 2025, however.
- If you currently have smaller (140 or 190 litre) bins, or you will no longer be sharing your waste bins, you will also be issued with a two-compartment bin for your food and residual waste.

### Grey bins for recyclable waste (normally emptied every four weeks)

- Plastic and food/drink cartons go in the same single compartment bin.
- Cardboard/paper and metal/glass are sorted in separate compartments in the grey split-compartment bin.
- The grey bins are made of at least 80% recycled plastic. They are more robust, and the side-mounted lids reduce spillage during emptying, thus improving the working environment for waste operatives.

### Grey box for hazardous waste (emptied as needed)

- Use the provided grey box to sort your hazardous waste. Electronic items, batteries and light bulbs must be collected in separate freezer bags, tied with a knot before you put them in the grey box.
- Put the box out with the waste bins for exchange to a new one. It must not weigh more than four kilos. The box will not be collected if the lid is not properly closed.

### Red and green bags

- The red bags are for textile waste. Tie a knot on the bag when it is full and leave it on top of the waste bin before 6:00 on collection day.
- The green bags are for food waste.
- Starting in November, you can have new bags issued when you need them by tying the colour bag you need to the waste bin handle before 6:00 on collection day.

## More information about bins and collection charges

### Partitions:

Do not move or remove the partitions in your waste bins, as the bins are designed to fit the two-compartment configuration of our waste collection vehicles.

### Additional charges when changing configuration:

For the new recyclable waste bins, if you find that you need different size bins or more frequent collections, these changes will not be possible until our waste operatives have emptied the new bins on at least six occasions. This means that the earliest you will be able to make changes will be in May 2026 due to the fact that the first collection will be in November 2025. This does not apply to the food/residual waste bin, which you can change yourself via "Mit Affald" on our website.

### Collection charge:

The new bins will be issued at no extra cost to you and your total waste collection charge will not go up in 2026. You can find examples of calculations and a pricing overview for 2026 at [kolding.dk/affaldgebyr](https://kolding.dk/affaldgebyr).

## Where to put your bins out and clear access for our waste operatives

Homeowners will normally need to make space for three bins. You are already using the green bin for food and residual waste. You must start using the two grey bins from November.

There are two bin sizes to choose from. You will not be able to change your bin size until May 2026, however.

- 240 litre bins
- 370 litre bins
- Do you share your bins with others? If so, you can jointly opt for bigger bins. Find out more at [kolding.dk/faelles](http://kolding.dk/faelles).

### If your access path does not satisfy the required specifications, you can:

- Alter the access path to satisfy the requirements specifications for clear access.
- Put your bins out beside the road before 6:00 a.m. on collection day.

All access path specifications are explained in Kolding Municipality's *Regulations for household waste*, which you can find at [kolding.dk/adgangsvej](http://kolding.dk/adgangsvej).

### Put your bins out properly.

- Your bins should be adjacent to each other, with a gap of at least 20 cm to walls and fences. There must be a minimum gap of 10 cm between the wheels of adjacent bins.
- The handle must face outwards on collection day so the waste operative can easily grip the bin.
- The access road must be even and firm (i.e. paving or tarmac. There must be no gravel, grass or steps.
- At least 90 cm wide unobstructed access path (i.e. no bikes, pushchairs or plant overgrowth)
- At least 2.2 metres clearance if the bins are in a shed, carport or under trees.
- Provide lighting when dark.
- Clear snow and ice on the access path during the winter. Weeds and branches must be cleared during the spring and summer.

### Help with sorting

- You can use the sorting guide booklet included in your starter pack.
- You can also use our digital sorting guide, which you can find at [kolding.dk/sorteringsguide](http://kolding.dk/sorteringsguide).

### What happens to your waste?

If you are interested in what happens to your waste after it has been sorted, there is plenty to read and videos to watch about the various processes at [kolding.dk/affaldetsrejse](http://kolding.dk/affaldetsrejse).

### Get to grips with your waste in just a single click.

Scan the QR code or visit [kolding.dk/kontaktredux](http://kolding.dk/kontaktredux), where you can:



- Log in to the "Mit Affalt" (my waste) page to look up your collection days.
- Sign up to our Message Service and access to our 24-hour recycling centres (Genbrug 24-7)
- Finding Redux contact information

### Do you have questions?

We have compiled the answers to several questions on our website [kolding.dk/nyebeholdere](http://kolding.dk/nyebeholdere).

Kind regards

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### Bodil sorts her waste. Do you?

Look forward to the autumn, when we will be launching a series of films on social media about how to sort your waste properly, starring actress Bodil Jørgensen. You can already start following our channels now. We share everything from operational disruptions to sorting guides and practical tips for everyday life:

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