

How to Sort and Dispose of Garbage

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Sort properly and **ALWAYS** use (semi-)transparent garbage bags. Place your garbage at the collection point between 6 a.m. and 8 a.m. on the collection day.

Items Allowed at Collection Points



For more information about waste management centers, check here:



Burnable Waste

- Drained kitchen waste
- Cooking oil that is hardened with a solidifier or absorbed in cloth/paper
- Clothing and fabric items
- Bundled tree branches (up to 30 cm in diameter and 1 meter in length, max. 2 bundles)
- Grass and leaves (max. 2 bags, 45-liter size)
- Disposable diapers (flush stool down the toilet)
- Rolled-up bedding (max. 2 pieces)
- Plastic items
- Dirty paper and plastic packaging

The collection points are maintained by neighborhood associations. All users should help keep these areas clean.

Non-Burnable Waste

- Sharp metal objects, ceramic, and glass items (wrapped in paper)
- Stoves and heaters (remove fuel and batteries)
- Dirty glass bottles and cans

- Fluorescent tubes and thermometers that contain mercury
(Place in a separate bag and label the contents)

Place used small electronics in a green collection box after removing the batteries.



- PC's
- Tablets
- Mobile phones
- Digital or video cameras
- Music players, etc.
(Size must fit inside the collection box)

Bottles, Cans, and Paper

Sort by type

- Clean glass bottles
- Dry cell batteries

- Clean cans with these symbols:



- Empty and punctured gas cartridges and spray cans
(Puncture outdoors away from flames)

- Bundled up newspaper and magazines
- Flattened and tied cardboard
- Washed and flattened paper cartons/packaging
- Miscellaneous paper (gather in paper bags)
Includes clean paper with this symbol:



Plastic Bottles and Plastic Packaging

Do not put out on windy days

- Plastic bottles for drinks with this symbol:



Rinse the inside with water and remove caps and labels.

Place plastic bottles and plastic packaging in separate bags

- Clean plastic packaging with this symbol:



- Plastic bottle caps and labels
- Shampoo and detergent bottles
- Snack wrappers and bags, etc.

Items **NOT** Allowed at Collection Points



Pets

- Place the deceased pet in a vinyl bag, then put it in a cardboard box and bring it to a waste management center. (Fee: ¥1,030)

Items Accepted at Waste Management Centers (for a fee)

(Some items may be accepted for free with prior application)

Bulky Waste

- Items longer than 1 meter, heavier than 10 kg, or with combined dimensions exceeding 150 cm.
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Special Waste

- Portable toilets, toilet seats, altars, accordion curtains, paint, doors, tatami mats, large amounts of waste, etc.
Contact a licensed waste disposal company for pickup.

Municipal Waste from Businesses, Shops, etc.

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Bulky waste pickup

Items **NOT** Accepted at Waste Management Centers

- Home Appliances for Recycling (recycling fee required): Air conditioners, TVs, refrigerators/freezers, washing machines/dryers. If replacing, ask the store where you are buying the new item. For disposal, contact the store where you purchased it or Nippon Express (2-12 Oroshi, Kikuta-machi, Tel: 0120-319640).
- Other items: Rechargeable and buttons batteries, vehicles parts (batteries, tires, etc.), fire extinguishers, pianos, construction waste, drums, electric water heaters, farming equipment, etc. Contact the seller or a licensed waste disposal company.

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