

# Durban, South Africa bin colours

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Use the printed label and local service instruction together with colour. Colours are not globally standardised and collection rules can change by neighbourhood or operator.



## Orange or clear bag - Recyclables

Accepted newspapers, magazines, cardboard, plastic packaging, plastic bottles, cans and beverage cartons

Scope: Municipal recycling service where the bag system is supplied

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## Blue bag - Garden refuse

Accepted garden refuse under the municipal garden-waste service

Scope: Use only under the current eThekweni garden-refuse instructions

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## Before you use this guide

1. Confirm the guide applies to your municipality, neighbourhood or operator.
2. Read the label on the actual container or bag.
3. Keep batteries, electronics, chemicals and special waste out of ordinary household streams.

## Official sources

### eThekweni cleansing and solid-waste services

[durban.gov.za/page/cleansing-and-solid-waste](https://durban.gov.za/page/cleansing-and-solid-waste)

### eThekweni garden-refuse guidance

[durban.gov.za/news/disposing-of-garden-refuse-correctly](https://durban.gov.za/news/disposing-of-garden-refuse-correctly)