

Alternate Weekly Collection – Wheelie Bin Allocation

Under the Alternate Weekly Collection (AWC) Scheme you will receive 1 x 240 litre grey bin for general refuse and 2 x 140 litre green bins with blue lids for recyclates as the default allocation. The bins can be viewed at Customer Services, Orkney Islands Council, School Place, Kirkwall, Orkney, KW15 1NY.



Two bins will be green (with blue lids) and will be for your recyclates; the other bin will be grey and will be for your residual waste.



You will also receive 2 x 19 litre inner caddies with your green bins which will help you to separate your recyclates. The four recyclates that will be collected are: paper/thin card, plastic bottles, cans and glass.



The inner caddy converts a standard wheelie bin into a recycling station with two compartments within the space a single bin occupies. When the caddies are placed inside the green wheelie bins, you will have four compartments in which to separate your recyclates.



It is up to each household to decide which recyclates are placed in which compartments. For example, the image above left shows plastic bottles in the bottom compartment and paper/ thin card in the caddy whereas the image above right shows plastic bottles in the bottom compartment and cans in the caddy.

*Please note that recyclates must be properly segregated or they will not be collected.



If you feel that the default size of bins would be insufficient for the quantity of recyclates which you produce, you may request a larger wheelie bin as shown above.



The 240 litre wheelie bin for recyclates comes with a 40 litre inner caddy. The back edge of this caddy is curved to allow easier lifting from the bin as shown above.